

August 24, 2021
MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021, in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Carrie Smith followed by the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence was then observed. President Smith announced that the public meeting is being audio recorded.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Carrie L. Smith
Lauren E. Hauck
Linda L. Bellile
Daniel P. Ostrowski

David T. Aichele, Mayor
Brooke G. Magni
Mary Ann Gerber
Lynn M. Miller

OTHERS PRESENT

John D. Rochat, Borough Manager & Millersville Borough Chief of Police
Lieutenant Jeffrey Margevich, Millersville Borough Police Department
Jessie L. Ebersole, Millersville Borough Finance Officer
Dr. Victor DeSantis, Millersville University
Elaine Walmer, LNP
W. David Sykes, 344 Valley Road, Millersville
Sam Bigler, 17 Wabank Road, Millersville
Stephanie Hersh, 72 Blue Rock Road, Millersville
Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Drive, Lancaster
Jere Martin, 149 E. Cottage Avenue, Millersville
Elizabeth and Paul West, 3 Chamberlain Lane, Millersville
Alice Murphey, 35 Chamberlain Lane, Millersville

CITIZENS' REQUESTS OR CONCERNS

Mr. West of 3 Chamberlain Lane asked for an update on the Rt 999 and Rt 741 development. Ms. Hauck replied that we anticipate the developer will wait until the Borough completes the 10-year Comprehensive Plan update and that there is currently no traffic studies being performed.

MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes for the June 22, 2021 Council meeting was made by Mr. Ostrowski and seconded by Mrs. Gerber. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

A motion to approve the minutes for the July 27, 2021 Council meeting was made by Mr. Ostrowski and seconded by Ms. Bellile. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote, with President Smith and Mrs. Gerber abstaining due to their absence.

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REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Ms. Bellile gave a report on the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission meeting that was held at the Millersville Fire Station on August 5, 2021. She noted there was not a quorum, and a second meeting was scheduled for August 9th to vote on a bid received for a new rescue vehicle. She noted after analyzing the needs of the Fire District, Emergency One Fire Apparatus won the bid. The existing rescue unit will be sold once delivery is closer and that the timeline is approximately one year. She mentioned a catered ten-year anniversary picnic is scheduled for September 18th at the Washington Boro Park.

Ms. Hauck reported on the LIMC meeting held August 11th. She shared those issues with trash and recycling collection are throughout all LIMC members and across all carriers.

PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Magni mentioned there are no actionable items out of committee and that they are working on filling vacancies on the Borough's Boards and Commissions.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Hauck made a motion out of committee to enter into the Shenks Lane and West Frederick Street Intersection Pedestrian Crossing Beacon Maintenance Agreement with Millersville University. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Hauck made a motion out of committee to approve the resolution to amend the police department's rules and regulations for Use of Force. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION BOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12

Ms. Hauck made a motion out of committee to request our solicitor to draft a general police power ordinance to incorporate the provisions of Act 50 which will include fees at the maximum rate allowed under the Act. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to advertise the annual Educational Service Agency meeting for September 8th starting at 9 a.m. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to approve the July 2021 monthly financial statements. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to approve professional services from GHD Engineering for two projects required as part of the Borough's MS4 stormwater Pollution Reduction Plan. She noted that one project is the Freedom Memorial Park Stream Bank Restoration and the second is the University Drive Stream Restoration. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber noted that Mr. Bob May from Lancaster EMS gave a presentation to the committee. He has asked for substantial additional financial support from the Borough. His request will be considered as part of the 2022 budget process.

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Mrs. Gerber announced that the September Finance Advisory Committee meeting will be held virtually.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Aichele thanked Council for passing the amendment to the department's Rules and Regulations for the Use of Force policy. He announced there was a great turnout for National Nite Out which was held at Leisure Lanes. Officer Hottenstein and Officer Reynolds were there.

Mayor Aichele asked Lt. Margevich to give the July monthly Police Report. The following breakdown was provided. 335 Calls for Service, 1 ordinance complaint which was an open alcohol and 1 other ordinance citation, 9 criminal arrests, all 9 were adults, 1 Part I Offenses which they cleared, 31 Part II Offenses which they cleared 16. Total traffic violations were 33, noting 11 were for speeding and 22 were other traffic violations. 10 vehicle accidents, 3 were reportable and 7 were non-reportable. 55 parking tickets issued. Total patrolled were 4,286 miles by vehicle and 34 miles on bicycle. He went on to mention they have been busy with investigations. An attempted murder cold case arrest was made, two different vehicle pursuits and three additional active cases.

Chief Roachat mentioned that four Officers are out on Heart and Lung due to testing positive to COVID.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Dr. DeSantis thanked Council for the opportunity to update them. He reported they are excited to open the University for their fall semester. On Thursday, August 19th almost 1600 new and returning students moved into their campus residence halls. The fall semester began on Monday, August 23rd with just over a 7,000 headcount (graduate and undergraduate students). With the fall plan, they are back to a rather normal semester of face to face and online courses. The facility is doing their best to promote a great environment for their students. He noted they are at full capacity in the residence halls and most of the employees have returned to work on campus. He also noted that over 80% of the 1600 students that moved on campus have reported that they are vaccinated. He went on to state that the University will continue to combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus by announcing UPMC is hosting a COVID-19 vaccination clinic tomorrow with all three vaccines Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J being offered. Walk-in space is still available at the Student Memorial Center from 1 to 3 p.m. He announced the intercollegiate athletics are back up and running with September 2nd and 3rd being the opening of the football season, hosting a men's soccer game at Pucillo Field and showcase opening matches for women's volleyball and women's soccer. Lastly, he reported that they had a special event held on campus. What many may remember as the old gymnasium with the pool underneath, Brooks Hall, had a groundbreaking for the renovations to transform into the Samuel N. and Dena M. Lombardo Hall, home of the Lombardo College of Business. Construction is expected to take approximately two years.

PENN MANOR REPORT

None

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BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT

Chief Rochat asked for Council's concurrence to hire Tonya R. Kirchner to fill the vacancy of the Part-time Clerk at a starting wage of \$14 per hour. Mr. Ostrowski made such a motion, seconded by Ms. Bellile. It was noted that she will start in approximately two weeks. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Chief Rochat asked if Council wants to proceed to host the annual Veterans Day Ceremony, noting that last year's event was cancelled due to COVID. Council's discussions resulted in agreement to hold the event.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Smith again stated her heartfelt thanks to the borough staff, borough police department, and Council members. She stated, it's been a long year, but we have passed the halfway mark and will keep going.

NEW BUSINESS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ms. Hauck mentioned the PA DEP Greenhouse Gas program that we applied for was approved and we have been assigned two students. Further updates will be provided as we move forward.

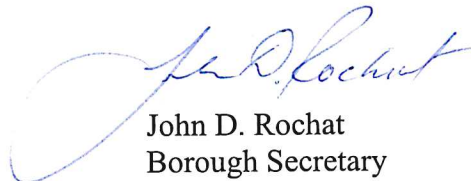
EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Ostrowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m., seconded by Ms. Bellile. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,


John D. Rochat
Borough Secretary

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