

November 22, 2022
MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, in the Millersville Borough Public Meeting Room located at 100 Municipal Drive, Millersville, Pennsylvania.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council Vice President Mary Ann Gerber, followed by a pledge to the flag as well as an observed moment of silence.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Lauren E. Hauck, absent
Christopher Hubb
Darlene Eager
Maggie Weidinger

David T. Aichele, Mayor
Linda L. Bellile
Mary Ann Gerber
Phillis Giberson

OTHERS PRESENT

Greg Sahd, Millersville Borough Manager
Sue Kornfeld, Millersville Finance Officer
Rob Moyer, Commonwealth Code
David Sykes, 344 Valley Rd, Millersville
Dorothy Imel, 1902 Blue Ridge Dr, Lancaster
Carol Thomas, 170 W. Charlotte St., Millersville
Mike Weidinger, 146 Victoria Rd., Millersville
Susan Wallace, 421 Brook View Dr., Millersville
Melissa Ostrowski, 413 Spring Dr., Millersville
Gary Hess, 453 N. George St., Millersville
Phil Gerber, 12 Circle Rd., Millersville

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Hubbs to approve the August 23, 2022 Borough Council meeting minutes. Ms. Giberson seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.

CITIZENS' REQUESTS OR CONCERNS

Carol Thomas, 170 W. Charlotte St. inquired about the student lodging being built. Ms. Gerber said action would be taken regarding these developments during the meeting. Mike Weidinger explained the developments to Ms. Thomas as well.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

PLANNING COMMISSION

Ms. Bellile made a motion to approve an extension of time request to record the final plan for Crossgate Phase II. Ms. Gerber seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

BLUE ROCK REGIONAL FIRE COMMISSION

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A meeting was held on Thursday, November 3, 2022, at the Millersville Station. The Financial Report was reviewed. The year would be ending with a surplus. Appraisals for District owned property came in at approximately \$2M. Duane was in a vehicle accident with a garbage truck and the Explorer was totaled. He was working with the insurance company on the claim and did have medical issues due to the accident. Washington Boro Station has a roof leak. Repairs are between \$500 and \$2K. They were waiting on a cost estimate from the roofers for a total roof replacement. Social events were being planned. Employee evaluations were in progress.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION REPORT

Susan Wallace said that there had been 3 applicants for Patrolmen. One had failed a background check and did not appeal it. They were recommending that he was removed from consideration for the position. There was a need to promote someone to Sergeant. They were recommending waiving testing, apart from the oral interview, if the person met requirements. The waiving of testing was allowed because there had only been one internal applicant. Ms. Bellile made a motion to remove the one applicant that failed a background check. Mr. Hubbs seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote. Ms. Bellile made a motion to waive testing for the Sergeant position. Ms. Giberson seconded. This passed by unanimous vote.

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the October Financial Reports and Ms. Giberson seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve SEK (Smith Elliott Kearns) as our new Borough Auditors. Ms. Gerber seconded. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the Snow Removal Contract presented by Andy Boxleitner, Streets supervisor. The contract was for \$115/hr. Mr. Hubbs seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Mr. Sahd headed a discussion reviewing the Draft Budget. Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve the advertising of the Draft 2023 Budget, with adjustments due to the truck purchase and benefits. Ms. Gerber seconded the motion. It passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Sahd gave an update on Lafayette Place. He said the Borough Solicitor was working on a compromise with the developer's attorney.

PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The following were motions to approve resolutions to reappoint people and were all made out of committee: Lindsey Gerner to the Zoning Hearing Board for a five-year term. Brooke Magni to the Park Commission for a three-year term. Anthony Boyer to the Educational Service Agency for a three-year term. Daniel Ziegler for a one-year term to the Vacancy Board. Phillip Lastowski to the Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission for a two-year term. All motions passed with a unanimous vote.

Ms. Weidinger made a motion to approve Stevens & Lee as Borough Labor Counsel. Ms. Gerber seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. Ms. Gerber mentioned

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how they had discussed offering a Management perk to two of the managers who had been with the Borough for many years. The gentlemen had served in the armed forces, and they'd wanted to give them the ability to buy back service time. This is something available to Police Officers under their current contract. It was unfortunately going to cost too much money to both the managers and the Borough to offer this perk.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Aichele thanked everyone involved with the Veteran's Day event, particularly Sue McCullough, Millersville Borough Receptionist. He said he was grateful for the phenomenal job she had been doing with this event for many years. He also thanked the members of council who participated. Jack Miller of Millersville Manor VFW, Pastor Steve Cote of Zion Church in Millersville, Phil Gerber for selling bricks for the Memorial, Howie Baum, Deputy in Chief for Millersville University and Speaker of the House, Brian Cutler.

Chief Rochat gave the monthly police report. He said it was a busy month, with 375 calls for service. He said there were 21 vehicle accidents. There were 26 criminal arrests. 16 were adult and 10 juvenile. There were 10 Part I offenses and 2 Part I cleared with a clearance rate of 20%. There were 52 Part II offenses and 44 Part II cleared, with a clearance rate of 84.6%. There was a lot of activity at the High School as well.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Andrew Geer said that on December 11th would be the winter commencement for all people graduating this fall, which would be live streamed. Millersville University was awarded the silver classification for being Military friendly for the 11th year in a row. Millersville was starting a new scholarship this fall called the First Gen Scholarship for first generation students going to college. On December 3rd the Tell School of Music from Millersville University would be hosting The Glorious Sounds of the Season musical. It was a large production and involved over 250 students and faculty.

PENN MANOR REPORT

None

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Gerber stated that our Borough Solicitor attended our last Zoning Hearing Board meeting. She would be attending the upcoming Zoning Hearing Board meeting as well.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Sahd reported that in reference to the meeting room sound/online streaming system, Wee Bee Audio had reported a supply issue that had delayed the update. They said that the part they were waiting on would be in soon. They could begin work shortly thereafter. He also discussed how Eagle Disposal and Penn Waste are subsidiaries of Waste Connections. Waste Connections shifted the Millersville area to Penn Waste. There was no increase with this change.

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They would just see the Penn Waste trucks now instead of Eagle Disposal. This was due to start on January 1, 2023.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ms. Gerber stated that Borough Solicitor, Josele Cleary, had read the contract for Shentel Cable Television, LLC. She had suggestions for changes in the contract. Shentel only made one change, so the contract wasn't ready. Mr. Sahd said that there were a few more things that needed to be discussed. Council delegated whatever needed to be done to Mr. Sahd to complete the contract with Shentel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hubbs made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Bellile seconded the motion. This passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:45.



Greg Sahd
Borough Secretary

GAS/slk