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MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was held on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 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. She thanked all for taking the time to attend tonight's meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Carrie L. Smith
Lauren E. Hauck
Linda L. Bellile
Brooke G. Magni

David T. Aichele, Mayor
Dianne M. Bates
Mary Ann Gerber
Daniel P. Ostrowski

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
Leslie McMullen, Millersville Borough Sewer Dept Superintendent
Steven A. DiGuiseppe, Millersville University
Lucas Charles, Penn Manor High School Student Advisor
Elaine Jones, LNP
W. David Sykes, 344 Valley Road, Millersville
Bill Rennecker, 46 W Frederick Street, Millersville

CITIZENS' REQUESTS OR CONCERNS

None

MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes for the January 14, 2020 Council Meetings was made by Mrs. Gerber and seconded by Ms. Bellile. Mr. Ostrowski noted a correction of "Mrs. Brooke" to be "Mrs. Magni" and President Smith noted a grammar correction of "affect" to "effect". With no further discussions the approval of the minutes with the noted corrections passed by a unanimous voice vote; Ms. Bates abstained due to her absence.

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Ms. Bellile reported on the recent Blue Rock Regional Fire Commission meeting stating there were discussions on keeping the financial statements current and accurate. She stated that the a bi-annual State audit of the Relief accounts were completed with no findings and that they are looking into a new insurance carrier for Workers' Compensation coverage.

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PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Ostrowski made a motion out of committee to approve the resolution to appoint Bruce Cantey to as an additional alternate member on the Borough Civil Service Commission with a term of office expiring December 31, 2026. Mr. Ostrowski explained the need for a second alternate member was due to satisfying a quorum. It was mentioned that three members of the commission is required for a quorum and that two of the three members spend a good bit of time out of State. Mrs. Gerber suggested that when those members' term of office expire, that the Borough consider appointing members that are available year-round. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

RESOLUTION BOOK
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08

Mr. Ostrowski noted that they (new Council/Personnel Committee members) had their first meeting with the AFSCME group for Non-Uniform employee contract negotiations. He stated it was more of a "getting to know you" meeting.

PUBLIC WELFARE AND PUBLIC WORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Hauck mentioned that the motion out of committee for the road closure will need changed due to the access required to take down the large tree will be from the back of the house. Mrs. Hauck made a motion to temporarily close Herr Avenue from Kready Avenue to East Charlotte Street from approximately 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mr. Ostrowski seconded the motion. It was noted that the work would be adjusted to accommodate the children walking to school. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Hauck made a motion out of committee to accept the water tank inspection quote from Pittsburg Tank & Tower Group in the amount of \$1500. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Hauck asked Chief Roachat to explain the map updates presented by GHD, the Borough's Wastewater Treatment Plant Engineer. Chief noted that there were no changes to the municipal boundaries or zoning; but there were some additions for sewer lines and other cosmetic changes needed since the last 2016 map, i.e. MU's new dormitories.

Mrs. Hauck made a motion out of committee to decline the Small Wireless Communications Facilities Master License Agreement per the recommendation of our Solicitor. Per Mrs. Gerber's request, Mrs. Hauck noted some of the Solicitor's comments, such as pending litigation and granting Verizon Wireless rights to use Borough facilities for 15 years for a low fixed price. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Chief Roachat asked Mr. McMullen to explain the request for approval of Heisey Mechanical's change order for the Wastewater Treatment Plant's Dewatering project. Mr. McMullen explained the increase is due to increasing the size of the steep angled the conveyor system, changing the housing of auger parts to stainless steel and changing the sludge line design to have the ability to run both processing units until the new unit is determined to be up and operable. He also noted a decreasing cost was made for the removal of flood protection gates. He noted that the net cost of the change order is approximately \$27,700 and together with

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the bid award and previously approved change orders, is still less than the total amount budgeted. With no further discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Upon review of the Code-Zoning Activity report, Mr. Ostrowski asked if they could see year-to-year comparisons. President Smith noted this report can be viewed on the borough website.

FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to approve the December 2019 monthly financial statements as presented. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber reminded Council and informed new Council, that prior Council had approved a policy that would require any expenditures of elected officials to be pre-approved. She noted it is a policy that can be changed and that this Council may want to look at that, as there may be some instances that are quite legitimate or that is a last-minute thing. Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to approve a PSAB webinar. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber made a motion out of committee to approve the attendance of any Council member who wants to attend PSAB's Boot Camp. The local Boot Camp will be held on March 6 and 7th at the Eden Resort. With no discussions the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Gerber mentioned that the committee discussed our membership with the Lancaster County Economic Development Company and at this time elected not to be a member of that organization. They don't see much of a benefit currently. Mr. Ostrowski, reminding everyone on last year's conversations at Council for their membership renewal, questioned if this should come to Council for a vote. Mrs. Gerber stated the committee debated that and that there was no motion coming out of committee to renew.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Aichele mentioned he attended the Martin Luther King Jr Day Breakfast held at MU and noted it was well attended. He asked Lt. Margevich to comment on the monthly police report. Lt. Margevich noted in December they had 348 Calls for Service, 6 Ordinance Complaints, 2 Ordinance Citations, 1 Disruptive Conduct Report, 24 Criminal Arrests, 5 Part I Offenses with 3 cleared and 25 Part II Offenses with 18 cleared. He also mentioned the more notable cases. They had two incidents that involved the use of tasers, saying finally after all these years having tasers. He went on to describe the event where our Officer deployed his taser and his firearm to put a dog down inside a residence which was attacking a man. He also mentioned a disturbing case he has been working on involving a child rape and stated it is at the District Attorney's Office now.

MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY REPORT

Mr. DiGuseppe mentioned a few calendar events for February. MU will be hosting the 2020 Dyslexia Conference on campus February 8th and on February 21st, 'Jazz at the Ville' in the Winter Center and a special celebration concert in honor of Beethoven's 250th Birthday will be

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held on February 29th, downtown in the Ware Center. He mentioned, as Council knows when their Admissions Office plans their open houses, two this Spring on March 28th and April 18th and three this Fall on September 26th, October 17th and November 14th, that these can attract anywhere from a few hundred up to 800 in attendance from many areas, outside of PA. He went on to mention Millersville University will share in a \$1 million grant awarded to 36 Colleges and Universities to help combat sexual assault thanks to the "It's on us" initiative. Millersville's portion of the grant is \$30,000. He went on to state that if you happen to see a yellow lab/golden retriever mix puppy on campus this semester, it's likely Taylor Orem's service dog. The Millersville University sophomore is training "Fidler" to serve an individual with disabilities. She decided to get involved with Susquehanna Service Dogs this past summer. Susquehanna Service Dogs is an organization that raises, trains and places service dogs with individuals in order to give them more independence. Mr. DiGuiseppe encouraged everyone to visit their website for more events, anything from bake sales to cultural event, news and specifically the weather button, which has been very popular this time of year with thousands of hits.

PENN MANOR REPORT

Mr. Charles mentioned Penn Manor High School students won several awards recently at the Pennsylvania Farm Show representing Manor FFA and that nine students earned Keystone Degrees. To earn a Keystone Degree, FFA members must hold the Greenhand and Chapter FFA Degrees; perform at least 25 hours of community service; earn or invest \$1,000 or work 300 hours outside of school in their SAE program; participate in 15 FFA Activities, five of them above the chapter level; and demonstrate leadership and advocacy of agriculture and FFA. Only 405 members out of 12,390 in the state receive the degree. He went on to provide updates on some of the winter sports teams and their successes. He mentioned he attended Senior night for the swim team tonight and that the boys' team only has one loss, and both the boys and girls have qualifiers for Leagues. He went on to mention Penn Manor has a mock trial team. The defense team is presenting at the Lancaster County Court House on Tuesday, February 4th and the plaintiff team will be Monday, February 10th, both starting at 6 p.m. He gave a quick construction project update, stating that the roadway leading to the parking deck has been challenging throughout the project but recently things were cleared up again.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT

Chief Rochat mentioned the lights at Lafayette Place are installed and we have received building permits for the two remaining lots that include the water retention area.

Chief Rochat asked Council to consider making a motion to let the duties of the tax collector fall to the Borough Manager, as the Borough Code states, for collection of taxes if a citizen does not come forward with their intention before February 6, 2020. Mr. Ostrowski seconded by Ms. Bates, made a such a motion. With no discussions the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

Chief Rochat noted that the April 28th scheduled Council meeting is also primary election day and that voting will occur in the Borough Public Meeting Room. Council discussed holding the first Tuesday of the month's meeting, April 14th. Ms. Bellile seconded by Ms. Bates, made a motion to cancel the April 28th Council meeting. With no further discussions the motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Smith mentioned the front page LNP article on the proposed development at Route 741 and Route 999 has created a lot of discussion and excitement on social media. She reminded people that this is a long process, will take a while to work its way through, and everything will come through the Borough's Boards and Commissions and Council will be keeping an eye on this.

President Smith mentioned the Borough's Economic Development Committee was suspended last year due to in-activity and she was asked if it makes sense to re-constitute this committee. She will look at and consider after discussing further with others on re-constituting this committee.

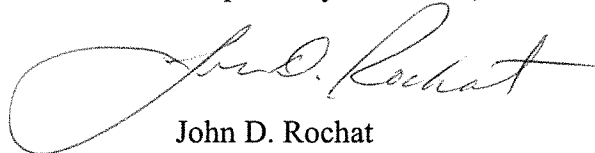
EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Hauck made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Mr. Ostrowski.

Respectfully submitted,



John D. Roachat
Borough Secretary

JDR/jle