

DILLSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

April 9, 2019 – MINUTES

7:00 PM

The Dillsburg Borough Council held their monthly business meeting at the Dillsburg Area Authority Building on the above-mentioned date. Council Members attending were: President Holly Kelley, Vice President Matt Fawber, Dave Baldwin, Mike Gaffney, Jeff Griffin, Mark Ryder and Isaac Tucker. Also present were Mayor John Richardson, Borough Manager Karen Deibler and Borough Secretary Debbi Beitzel. Borough Engineer Tim Knoebel and Solicitor Mark Allshouse weren't present.

The following visitors were present: Chief Wargo from the Carroll Township Police Department, Robert Pomeroy from NYCPR, Doug Riley from NYCHAPS and Dillsburg Borough Resident Jim Burgess.

The meeting was called to order by President Kelley at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the invocation.

APPROVAL of the AGENDA

Council Member Baldwin moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Vice President Fawber. – Motion carried.

APPROVAL of the MINUTES

March 5, 2019 Committee Meeting – Vice President Fawber moved to approve the Committee Meeting minutes of March 5, 2019. Motion was seconded by Council Member Baldwin. – Motion carried.

March 12, 2019 Council Meeting – Vice President Fawber moved to approve the Council Meeting minutes of March 12, 2019. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ryder. – Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department Report

Chief Wargo reviewed the March 2019 Dillsburg Borough Police Report with Council and Mayor. The report listed the numbers and types of offenses and traffic incidents and a breakdown of hours worked. He indicated for the month of March 2019, there were 119 calls for service, for a year-to-date total of 355. There were ten traffic accidents in March 2019, for a year-to-date total of 27 and the officers issued a total of 34 traffic citations in March 2019, for a year-to-date total of 89.

Council Member Tucker asked if there were anymore complaints regarding the family that moved into 23 East York Street. Chief Wargo indicated they received a call at 3:00 am and the officers responded and talked with the residents explaining the noise ordinance; the radio was turned off and they went inside.

Council Member Griffin asked if a group wants to participate in National Night Out, who should they contact. Chief Wargo indicated the new officer who will be handling that is Officer John Shapley.

Ambulance Service Report

No one was present and no report was provided for the month of March 2019 to the Council and Mayor.

Fire Company Report

Robert Pomeroy reviewed the March 2019 report with Council and Mayor. He indicated for the month of March 2019, there were 52 calls for a year-to-date of 138. For the month of March there were 13 calls in the Borough, for a year-to-date total of 29.

He indicated their members have completed their required recert HAZMAT training and they continue training on the familiarization of the apparatus and drivers training.

He stated the tanker has been moved from the Franklinton station to the Dillsburg station because there are more personnel at the Dillsburg location and per the chief it will permanently be stationed at the Dillsburg location.

He indicated as of April 3rd, they are now running calls as Station 15; Dillsburg is 15-1 and Franklinton is 15-2.

Mr. Pomeroy mentioned that it's brush fire season and to use due diligence when burning outside. President Kelley asked Chief Wargo if his department gets calls for burning in the borough. Chief Wargo indicated not many.

Treasurer's Report

The Unpaid Bills Detail and a list of Additional Expenditures were given to each Council Member and Mayor in their packet of information. The total General Fund expenditures for March 2019 were \$80,670.05. The Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Detail Report and a Cash Flow Report were also given to each Council Member and Mayor. Council Member Baldwin moved to approve the payment of all bills as presented in the amount of \$80,670.05 pending audit. Motion was seconded by Vice president Fawber. Council Members Griffin and Gaffney abstained. - Motion carried.

Planning Commission Report

There was no representative present.

Dillsburg Area Authority

There was no representative present.

Community Groups

There were none.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Allshouse wasn't present but did provide the Council and Mayor with an invoice for services provided in March 2019.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Knoebel wasn't present but did provide the Council and Mayor with an invoice for services provided in March 2019

Tax Collector Report

Debbi Beitzel provided the Council and Mayor with a written report for taxes paid and sent out along with a listing of revisions for March 2019.

Borough Staff Report

Manager Deibler provided the Council and Mayor with a written report for March 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Burgess shared the Greenbriar Lane dump truck data with Council and Mayor. He indicated for the 1st quarter, which consisted of 26 days, there were 173 trucks ranging from 0-29 trucks per day. The average was seven trucks per day and the median was five trucks per day. He indicated for the April report (March 18th through April 6th) there was a total of 81 trucks. The average was five trucks per day and the median was five trucks per day. He also stated that this was the second month there were trucks running on Saturdays. He shared with Council and Mayor that he had a friend who drove truck and was explaining to him about the liquid fuel tax. He stated that these trucks are probably getting their fuel in Maryland because it's cheaper and not paying PA fuel taxes. He shared an audio of a truck going down Greenbriar Lane on April 1st at 6:37 am. Council Member Baldwin indicated regarding the brake retarders, Council has asked PennDOT to prohibit them in the Borough and PennDOT stated no.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Richardson had nothing to report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kelley mentioned the Pickle Fest coming up in May 11th in conjunction with PublikTyme. She indicated the Baseball Parade will be held this Saturday along with the Celtic Festival. President Kelley wished all a Happy Easter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Committee

Council Members Ryder and Tucker had nothing to report.

Public Safety Committee

Vice President Fawber and Council Member Baldwin had nothing to report.

Administration Committee

- A. Discuss/Take Action – Disabled Veteran RE Tax Exonerations - Council Member Gaffney stated the Borough received three, 5-year Tax Exoneration requests for Real Estate Taxes under the Disabled Veterans Real Estate Tax Exemption Program from the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs: The requests are for Fred B Smith of 10 E Welty Avenue, Gerard P Muldoon of 216 Autumn Woods Court and Frederick F Watson of 423 S Baltimore Street. Council Member Gaffney moved to grant the requests for only the 2019 Real Estate Tax exoneration for Fred B Smith of 10 E Welty Avenue, Gerard P Muldoon of 216 Autumn Woods Court and Frederick F Watson of 423 S Baltimore Street. These exoneration requests will be reviewed on a yearly basis. Motion was seconded by Council Member Griffin. – Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business, Vice President Fawber moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Gaffney. – Motion carried. The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbi L. Beitzel

Debbi Beitzel
Borough Secretary

cc: Borough Council Members
Mayor Richardson
Tim Knoebel
Mark Allshouse