

DILLSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
February 9, 2021 – MINUTES
7:00 PM

The Dillsburg Borough Council held their monthly business meeting at the Dillsburg Borough Office on the above-mentioned date. Council Members attending were: President Holly Kelley, Vice President Matt Fawber, Chris Del Vecchio, Mike Gaffney, and Isaac Tucker. Council Member Dave Baldwin joined the meeting via Facetime and Council Member Ryder joined via telephone. Also present were Mayor John Richardson, Borough Manager Karen Deibler and Borough Secretary Debbi Beitzel. The Borough Engineer and Borough Solicitor weren't present.

The following visitors were present: Chief Wargo from Carroll Township Police Department and Doug Riley from NYCHAPS.

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

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

APPROVAL of the MINUTES

January 5, 2021 Committee Meeting – Council Member Baldwin moved to approve the Committee Meeting minutes of January 5, 2021 as amended. Motion was seconded by Vice President Fawber. – Motion carried.

January 12, 2021 Council Meeting – Vice President Fawber moved to approve the Council Meeting minutes of January 12, 2020 as presented. Motion was seconded by Council Member Gaffney. – Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department Report

Chief Wargo reviewed the January 2021 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 January 2021, there were 203 calls for service. There were four (4) traffic accidents in January 2021 and the officers issued 23 traffic citations in January 2021.

Mayor Richardson asked what the police information was. Chief Wargo indicated it's like an all-other category. Calls that don't have a specific category to fall under, fall under this category.

Vice President Fawber asked about the Megan's Law Investigation. Chief Wargo indicated it was for a gentleman who got employed by a company in Dillsburg Borough and is on the Megan's Law list and the police department and municipality have to be notified.

Vice President Fawber asked the Chief if he was receiving any calls or emails from the resident on East York Street. Chief Wargo stated no.

Ambulance Service Report

No one was present and no report was provided for the month of January 2021 to the Council and Mayor.

Fire Company Report

No one was present but a report was provided for the month of January 2021.

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 January 2021 were \$54,403.25. The Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual Detail Report and a Cash Flow Report were also given to each Council Member and Mayor. Vice President Fawber moved to approve the payment of all bills as presented in the amount of \$54,403.25 pending audit approval. Motion was seconded by Council Member Tucker. President Kelley abstained. - Motion carried.

Planning Commission Report

There was no representative present.

Dillsburg Area Authority

There was no representative present.

Community Groups

There were no community groups present.

Solicitor's Report

No one was present but an invoice was provided for services provided in January 2021 to Council and Mayor.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Knoebel wasn't present but did provide an invoice for services provided in January 2021 to the Council and Mayor.

Tax Collector Report

Debbi Beitzel provided the Council and Mayor with a written report for January 2021, which included reports for all the unpaid real estate and per capita taxes.

Borough Staff Report

Manager Deibler provided the Council and Mayor with a written report for January 2021.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Richardson had nothing to report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Kelley had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works Committee

Neither Council Member Del Vecchio nor Council Member Tucker had anything to report.

Public Safety Committee

Neither Vice President Fawber nor Council Member Baldwin had anything to report.

Administration Committee

- A. Discuss/Take Action – Resolution 2021-2 - 2021 Appointments – Council Member Gaffney stated the Borough of Dillsburg needs persons who are willing to serve their community. Each year Council reviews for any upcoming openings on Committees and Authorities that serve the Borough and consider appointments for those positions. Council would like to recognize people who have responded to the need for volunteers and appoint those persons to serve by adopting Resolution 2021-2. Council Member Gaffney moved to adopt Resolution 2021-2 appointing the following to serve the Borough of Dillsburg:
 1. Terri Hildebrand to a three-year term on the Logan Park Authority Board (01/01/21 – 12/31/23)Motion was seconded by Vice President Fawber. – Motion carried.
- B. Discuss/Take Action – Resolution 2021-3 – Serving as the RACP Grant Applicant and Grantee on behalf of NYCHAPS - Council Member Gaffney stated Northern York County Historical and Preservation Society received notification from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on December 23, 2020 of a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) grant release of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) to support the construction of the Dill’s Tavern Historic and Educational Expansion in the Borough of Dillsburg, York County. The Borough has deemed this Project to be beneficial to the community and economy. RACP requires an eligible public Applicant to serve as the Grantee for the purposes of contracting with the Commonwealth. The Borough agreed to serve as the Applicant and Grantee as part of the NYCHAPS’ RACP Grant application and administration processes. Council Member Gaffney moved to adopt Resolution 2021-3 agreeing to serve as the Applicant and Grantee as part of the NYCHAPS’ RACP Grant application and administration processes. Motion was seconded by Council Member Tucker. – Motion carried.
- C. Review/Discuss/Take Action – Real Estate Tax Exoneration Request - Council Member Gaffney stated the Borough received two (2), 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 that need reviewed on a yearly basis. One request is for Fred B Smith of 10 East Welty Avenue and the other one is for Frederick F Watson of 423 South Baltimore Street. Council Member Gaffney moved to grant the requests for only the 2021 Real Estate Tax exoneration for Fred B Smith of 10 East Welty Avenue and Frederick F

Watson of 423 South Baltimore Street. Motion was seconded by Vice President Fawber. – Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Vice President Fawber indicated he talked with Rob Brady regarding the rescue proposal. They did meet with Franklintown Borough and it didn't go well; but it went like everyone expected and that they are going to pursue other avenues. Vice President Fawber indicated Mr. Brady stated they would move forward and if it's just Dillsburg Borough, they'd sell all the unneeded equipment and just service the Borough. Vice President Fawber stated ultimately, he doesn't think they are going to be able to do it, because you have to have fire protection. Carroll Township will have their meeting next week and agrees with Dillsburg Borough.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Ryder asked if someone would be able to attend the February COG meeting at the Hampden Rec Building on the 15th at 7:00 pm in his place.

He indicated everything is on hold for YCBA.

He mentioned the article that was written in the Banner a few weeks ago regarding the Carroll Township's solicitor concerns over the new fire proposal. Vice President Fawber indicated the supervisors weren't happy because they wanted to discuss the issues in an executive session, but the solicitor wanted to discuss it in an open meeting. Carroll Township is moving forward just like the Borough is with the study.

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 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbi L. Beitzel

Debbi Beitzel
Borough Secretary

cc: Borough Council Members
Mayor Richardson
Tim Knoebel
Salzman Hughes, PC