

DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 6, 2022

Council meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL

Council President	Brian Cuddy
Council Vice-President	Kevin Musselman
Councilman Pro Tem	Jeffrey Thrush
Councilman	David Grbich
Councilman	George Bechtel
Councilwoman	Kathryn Burton
Jr. Council Member	Jocelyn Long
Mayor	Michael McKenna
Treasurer	Cindy Long
Administrator/Secretary	Linda Durgin

Public Comments

- Resident John Windish asked about the status of the bridge repairs. He is concerned about the possibility of a frozen sewer line if electricity isn't restored soon.
- President Cuddy asked about the sewer billing errors. Administrator Durgin stated that the utility vendor said it was due to an error with the software update.

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by Councilman Grbich and seconded by Councilman Bechtel to accept the Minutes of the November 9, 2022 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report

No Report

Joint Fire Commission Report

- The Committee meeting was held on November 22nd.
- A closing balance of \$201,514.49 was reported in the Mid Penn Bank money market account. The Fire Company's vehicle replacement fund account totals \$196,703.70. Receipts to date from the 2022 annual Fire Company newsletter and solicitation for funds total \$17,389.12.
- The Committee authorized the Chairman to look at current interest rates being paid by both Mid Penn Bank and PLGIT on depository accounts so as to maybe transfer the vehicle replacement fund account to maximize the rate of return.
- It was noted that the Fire Company has not yet received reimbursement from Dauphin County for debt service under the \$55,000 Gaming Grant that was awarded for acquisition and outfitting of the Squad 38 vehicle.

Parks and Recreation Report

- The committee did not meet in December. The next meeting will be February 13th.

Engineer's Report

- The Stop Sign study for the intersection of Charles, Riverview and Mountain View needs the accident report to finalize.
- The High Street sewer replacement grant application requires the adoption of a Resolution and approval and execution of the Comprehensive Plan consistency letter.
- The PennVest meeting was held on November 21st. A planning meeting is pending.
- The McNaughton Company met to discuss revising a sewer connection at the intersection of Erie and Susquehanna Streets for The Towns at Stoney Creek development. Avoidance of the 42" water main was the first item for them to resolve.
- The draft Short Term Rental Zoning Ordinance passed by Council was given to the Solicitor and County Planning for review. The final draft will be advertised for adoption by Council after all comments are incorporated into the final draft.

Solicitor's Report

- Solicitor Statler discussed various types and pertinent details of Short Term rentals.

Mayor's Report

- Between November 8th and December 6th, the Fire Company responded to 18 calls. Duty Officer calls totaled 6.
- There were two noise complaints from 401 High Street but nothing was heard by respondent.
- The UGO store was broken into. There was damage to the glass on the High Street side. No further details.
- The Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony was well attended and went off without a hitch.
- On November 11th a pile of grass and sticks was discovered in the middle island off of Allegheny Street.

Treasurer's Report

- A motion to accept the November 9, 2022 Treasurer's Report was made by Councilman Grbich, seconded by Councilman Bechtel and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- The Administration Committee stated the Old Schoolhouse claim remains open.

New Business

- A motion to adopt the 2023 Budget was made by Councilman Grbich, seconded by Councilman Bechtel and passed unanimously. (Requires a trash increase of \$4.00 for a new 3-year term.)
- A motion to adopt Resolution 2022-05, setting the tax rate, was made by Councilwoman Burton, seconded by Vice President Musselman and passed unanimously.
- A motion to adopt Resolution 2022-06 to procure a grant for sewer improvements was made by Councilman Pro Tem Thrush, seconded by Councilman Harris and passed unanimously. (An estimate of High Street repairs is \$185,230.)

Correspondence

- President Cuddy directed Administrator Durgin to write a letter to the Shoppette owner/landlord, regarding a bright light in the parking lot that is blinding drivers on approach.

Committee Reports

Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel, Grbich

- President Cuddy stated that the committee will be meeting with employees for conducting performance evaluations and discussing raises.

Public Works – Musselman, Thrush

- One resident filed a complaint regarding the snow plow throwing snow onto her screened porch. Other than that, Troy and Ryan were complimented on their snow removal.
- Regarding Speed Controls, the committee is looking into raised crosswalks to slow traffic.

Community Affairs – Burton

- No Report

Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long

- The park plaque order was cancelled as the company was uncooperative. Junior Council Person Long will solicit local estimates.

ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL

The meeting adjourned at 7:53~~12~~ p.m.

- EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

~~An Executive Session regarding Personnel began at 8:20 p.m. and ended at~~

| 8:45 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Linda S. Durgin
Administrator/Secretary

Brian Cuddy
President, Borough Council