

DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 7, 2022

Council meeting came to order at 7:03 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 Paula McKee had a complaint about the terrible pot holes on River Road. President Cuddy stated he will have Public Works and the road crew look into it. Engineer Heigel said Veolia Water may need to repair water lines and perhaps the Borough can coordinate the same dates to accomplish both projects.
- The Home Association had five or six trash cans that went missing over the last four months. The Borough will look into it.

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by Councilman Grbich and seconded by Councilman Bechtel to accept the Minutes of the May 3, 2022 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report

Mayor McKenna shared with Council that the Borough will soon be receiving a quote for new portable radios.

Joint Fire Commission Report

- Vice President Musselman told Council that the Dauphin-Middle Paxton Fire Company met on Tuesday, May 24th. A closing balance of \$201,226.58 was reported in the money market account as of May 24th. The Township's Mid-Penn Bank fire company vehicle replacement fund balance is \$196,380.66 as of April 30th.
- The installation of rugged laptop PC's acquired under a \$15,000 grant from the Office of State Fire Commissioner to outfit Engine 38, Tanker 38 and Attack 38, comparable to the laptop PC installation in Squad 38, has been completed.
- The Committee approved an estimated expenditure of \$3500 for start-up supplies in preparation for a chicken barbecue to be held on June 11th in conjunction with the community-wide yard sale. The committee also ratified its approval of an expenditure of \$3,000 for the fire company's Hershey Park Family Day in lieu of its annual banquet.

Parks and Recreation Report

- President Pro Tem Thrush informed Council that Parks & Recreation will have their next meeting on June 27th. He also stated that the community pool will open on Friday, June 10th.

Engineer's Report

- Engineer Heigel wants to start discussions on developing a policy and strategy for compliance with HB 957/Act 43.
- A meeting was held at the Borough office with LDI and a contractor to discuss the agreement required between the Borough and the Developer/Contractor. LDI is preparing those documents for review. LDI was requested to replenish their escrow account.
- PPL repaired the asphalt trail along Route 22/322 that had indentations from their pole.
- The replacement plastic playground bubble was installed by Borough employees.

- Demolition was completed on the Old Schoolhouse. Invoices were submitted and approved for payment. The contractor is asking for an additional \$750 because the sewer lateral was not where it was thought to be located and additional time was spent locating and capping the lateral.
- A motion was made by Vice President Musselman, seconded by Council Pro Tem Thrush and passed unanimously to pay Farhat \$94,250, which includes the additional \$750 requested.
- A permit was issued to Freedom Bible Church for a second floor nursery and classrooms. The applicant now wants to add windows to the side closest to the property line and proposes to submit an appeal application to the Council of Government.

Solicitor's Report

None

Mayor's Report

- Mayor McKenna stated that the graduation parade went off without a hitch.

Treasurer's Report

- A motion to accept the May 3, 2022 Treasurer's Report was made by Councilman Bechtel, seconded by Councilwoman Burton and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- The Old Schoolhouse has been demolished and the fence contractor has been contacted to remove the fence, grass is growing.
- There was additional communication with the adjuster; they are sticking firm with requiring a contract for a new building.
- Councilman Bechtel stated that the Committee met with JEM Group who does construction services. They recommended a DCED meeting this Friday. A motion to allow the committee to act on the Borough's behalf to request grants was made by Councilwoman Burton, seconded by Councilman Grbich and passed unanimously.
- Regarding LDI, there has been nothing new from the developers since the April meeting.

New Business

- A motion to accept Councilwoman Koppenhaver's resignation was made by Councilman Grbich, seconded by Councilman Bechtel and passed unanimously. The Administration, Finance and Personnel Committee agrees to keep her on as Rental/Sewer Clerk. President Cuddy stated that Dauphin Borough is grateful for Councilwoman Koppenhaver's work.
- A discussion was held regarding the required number of Council members needed. Solicitor Statler stated the code allows for 5 or as low as 3 Borough Council members. He will look into it further.
- The Pump Station Service Agreement with Envirep was renewed.
- President Cuddy wants to further discuss the Borough's trash and recycling needs.
- 2026 will be the 250th celebration of the United States. AMERICA250PA states that all Pennsylvania communities will be having celebrations. The Borough has decided to endorse AMERICA250PA's mission to engage all Pennsylvanians.

Correspondence

- A discussion was held regarding the difference between the use of the Park License Agreement and the Permit for Assemblage. The Borough has determined that Park License Agreements should be used for large events requiring insurance and Assemblage Permits for small groups. Both need to be approved or disapproved by Mayor McKenna. Borough Council wants to be notified of each event.

Committee Reports

Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel, Grbich

- Councilman Grbich suggested raising Council Member compensation if the Borough reduces the number of Council Members.

Public Works – Musselman, Thrush

- Discussions are still underway regarding adding additional speed humps in the Borough.

Community Affairs – Burton

- Councilwoman Burton brought up a concern about maintenance needed around the Dauphin Borough sign. President Cuddy recommended completing work orders for Borough employees.

Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long

- Junior Council Person Long informed Council that the Trex Program is complete.

ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Attest:

Approved:

Linda S. Durgin
Administrator/Secretary

Brian Cuddy
President, Borough Council