

DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 3, 2022

Council meeting came to order at 7:05 p.m.

COUNCIL

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

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by Councilman Grbich and seconded by Councilman Bechtel to accept the Minutes of the April 5, 2022 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Lieutenant Brian Wolfe, Harrisburg Station Commander for the Pennsylvania State Police, introduced himself to Council.

Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report

Mayor McKenna spoke about pursuing a grant to help recruit, train and -retain firefighters. Departments are currently struggling. The grant would cover 21 area communities and is projected to offer 2.2 million dollars, projected over four years.

Joint Fire Commission Report

- Vice President Musselman told Council that the Dauphin-Middle Paxton Fire Company Oversight Committee met on April 19, 2022. Grant funds in the amount of \$15,000 were received which will be used to acquire and outfit Engine 38, Tanker 38 and Attack 38 vehicles with new laptop PC's. An additional \$3,000 will be paid from the Firefighters' Relief Association account.
- Bingo net profit totaled \$2,437.06 and the Easter Flower sale net profit was \$992.00. A chicken barbecue is scheduled for June 11th in conjunction with the community-wide yard sale.
- The fire company is considering whether to sponsor a group outing to Hershey Park for up to fifty people in lieu of its annual banquet.

Parks and Recreation Report

- Councilman Pro Tem Thrush informed Council that Farm Show Milkshakes were available that evening.

Engineer's Report

- Engineer Keith Heigel stated that the revised Hillside Subdivision Plan was resubmitted for signatures to Middle Paxton Township with the final revisions. The revised plan will be delivered to the Borough and compliance should be confirmed before signatures are applied.
- The asphalt trail along Route 22/322 had indentations from the metal electric pole. PPL indicated a permanent repair is scheduled for mid-May.
- Demolition began on the Old School House to meet the completion date of May 22. Contractor was told that a payment request will not be approved until next month.
- There are five property owners who are not responding to Rental Inspection requests. Solicitor Statler asked if the properties are currently occupied.
- A motion to accept the Engineer's Report was made by Councilman Pro Tem Thrush, seconded by Vice President Musselman and passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor McKenna said a two year old girl in pajamas was found wandering around on Allegheny Street. A resident stopped his vehicle and flagged down the Mayor who eventually located the little girl's home where her mother was asleep and was unaware the child had left the home.
- There were several resident complaints about juveniles striking the pavilion pillars with a baseball bat. Also found were a broken picnic table and a smashed trash can. The Mayor closed down the park, reviewed security videos and spoke to the parents.
- There is a tentative annual School Senior Parade scheduled.

Solicitor's Report

- Solicitor Statler informed Council that all of the requested Statements of Financial Interests have been submitted.

Treasurer's Report

- A motion to accept the April 5, 2022 Treasurer's Report was made by Councilman Bechtel, seconded by Councilman Grbich and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- There were several people spotted removing bricks in shopping bags from the Old School House demolition site.
- The Old School House foundation block and the keystone were saved.
- The Borough's insurance company rendered a \$60,000 check to the Borough for the loss of the Old School Building. Johnson-Duffie attorneys have been in discussions with the insurance company who has ultimately decided to keep the claim open for further development. The borough can come back later with a builder contract and the insurance company will cover the costs up to the original policy limit.

New Business

- President Cuddy and attorney Mike Cassidy met with LDI and their attorneys to discuss the Stoney Creek project. There would be 9 apartment buildings with 24 units per building along with 7 single family homes. The selected builder is Vanguard. There was a discussion on anticipated tap-on and sewer fees. Solicitor Statler said the next benchmark step is to have concrete funding. Engineer Heigel suggested the escrow fund be replenished.
- Councilman Bechtel was approached by residents regarding instituting a recycling service for the Borough.
- Councilman Bechtel wants a discussion on installing temporary speed humps in front of the parks on Claster Boulevard and Allegheny Street.

Correspondence

None

Committee Reports

Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel, Grbich

- President Cuddy provided updates for LDI and the Old School House. The Old School House demolition has been completed. President Cuddy recommended the Borough start fresh with LDI.
- President Cuddy asked the Public Works Committee to review the contracts from Tapper & Sons and Eshenaurs and give recommendations at next month's Council Meeting.

Public Works – Musselman, Thrush

- Troy Toland, Sewer Plant Operator, emailed Council regarding renewing a Pump Station Service Agreement with Envirep. The cost has risen from \$2850 to \$3300.
- There was a discussion on getting electric to the park's band shell before the carnival.

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Community Affairs – Koppenhaver, Burton

- Councilwoman Burton stated that the fence is still down and there are embankment issues on Hillside Drive. ~~None~~

Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long

- Junior Council Person Long informed Council that we currently have 80 pounds of plastic for the Trex bench program, which ends on June 8, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL

The meeting adjourned at 8:~~12~~12 p.m.

- EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

~~An Executive Session regarding Personnel began at 8:20 p.m. and ended at 8:45 p.m.~~

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Approved:

Linda Durgin
Administrator/Secretary

Brian Cuddy
President, Borough Council