

DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 9, 2022

Council meeting came to order at 7:01 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
Councilman	Steve Harris
Jr. Council Member	Jocelyn Long
Mayor	Michael McKenna
Treasurer	Cindy Long
Administrator/Secretary	Linda Durgin

Public Comments

- President Cuddy announced that the Community Tree Lighting ceremony will take place on December 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by Councilman Grbich and seconded by Councilman Bechtel to accept the Minutes of the October 4, 2022 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report

No Report

Joint Fire Commission Report

- The Dauphin-Middle Paxton Fire Company Oversight Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, October 25th. The Committee approved an estimated expenditure of \$2,000 for sweatshirts and Gerber outerwear reflective jacket apparel with embroidered Company 38 logos for the Fire Company's volunteer incentive program.
- Fire Company treasurer Bradley Field reported having received the annual Volunteer Firefighters' Relief payment from Middle Paxton Township. He also reported that the debt payment and outstanding balance records for acquisition of the Squad 38 emergency response vehicle have been forwarded to the township to support reimbursement for debt service under the \$55,000 Local Municipal Share Gaming Grant awarded by Dauphin County on February 23, 2022.
- Chief Rusbatch reported that Company 38 had responded to an unauthorized burning incident during the past month and expressed concern that additional such incidents may be encountered in the future as some township residents may resort to burning their trash versus using the township's contracted waste hauler.
- The next Joint Fire Commission meeting will be held on November 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Report

- There is a Park Study set to be finalized the beginning of next year. Nicole Staley-Gorman, Vice President of the Park Authority, was present to answer any questions that Council had on the pre-draft plans.
- The next meeting of Parks and Recreation will be held on November 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. and is open to the public at the Middle Paxton Township building.

Engineer's Report

- The Hillside Plans were recorded as Instrument #20220032683.
- The 2022 Chapter 94 annual report is due by March 2023.
- The Pennvest meeting with the Borough and LDI is scheduled for November 21, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. The McNaughton Company met to discuss revising a sewer connection at the intersection of Erie and Susquehanna Streets for The Townes at Stoney Creek. A number of items were given to them to consider. Avoidance of the 42" Water Main was the first item for them to resolve.
- The DCNR closing documents are being prepared for Submission to close out the Project. Copies of checks are needed.
- A draft of the Short Term Rental Zoning Ordinance was created from the Community Affairs Committee meeting, The next step is for the County Planning Commission and the Solicitor to review that draft. With Council's approval the draft will be released to the County. The final draft of the Ordinance will be advertised for adoption by Council after all comments are incorporated into the final draft.
- A motion to forward the Short Term Rental Ordinance to Dauphin County, pending review by the Borough Solicitor, was made by Councilman Bechtel, seconded by Councilman Pro Tem Thrush and passed unanimously.
- A motion to allow Engineer Heigel to submit a Grant request for the PA Small Water and Sewer Program for High Street repairs was made by Councilman Pro Tem Thrush, seconded by Councilman Grbich and passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

No Report

Mayor's Report

- The Halloween Parade and the Trick or Treat night went well.
- There was an incident of five juveniles knocking on doors in the 200 block of Allegheny Street and running off.

Treasurer's Report

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

Unfinished Business

- Treasurer Long and Cheryl Cuddy met regarding the Gaming Advisory Board. The meeting went well.

New Business

- Act 57, the Tax Collector Ordinance, took effect on October 12, 2022.
- A motion to advertise the 2023 Budget before the December Council Meeting was made by Councilman Bechtel, seconded by Councilwoman Burton and passed unanimously.

Correspondence

- A complaint was made regarding chickens causing damage to landscaping in the neighborhood. A letter will be sent to the residents.

Committee Reports

Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel, Grbich

- Due to recent increased rates from Waste Management, Borough Council has made a decision to raise the trash fees from \$18.00 to \$22.00 monthly. A note will be provided on December's Sewer & Trash bills to inform residents that the new rate will begin in February of 2023.
- Roadmaster Toland informed Council that the Borough may want to consider selling the Ford F-250 as the Borough doesn't need it.

Public Works – Musselman, Thrush

- Councilman Pro Tem Thrush and Vice President Musselman met to discuss speed control measures. Further discussion will be had beginning in 2023.
- The two remaining security cameras will be installed at the band shell.

Community Affairs – Burton

- No Report

Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long

- No report

ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL

The meeting adjourned at 8:~~12~~19 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