

# DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 5, 2021

Council meeting came to order at 7:04 p.m.

## COUNCIL

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

## Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by Vice-President Cuddy and seconded by Councilman Thrush to accept the Minutes of the September 7, 2021 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

## Public Comments

- Mr. Deller, of KCI Technologies, stated that Middle Paxton Township has given their approval of the Hillside Subdivision at their meeting on October 4, 2021.
- Mr. Blinebury asked for a conditional vote. Mr. Heigel replied that he wants to wait for the committee to be able to understand the Borough attorney's opinion before a vote. Solicitor Statler concurred.
- Mr. Blinebury offered the Borough an extension until the next Council Meeting on November 3, 2021. A motion to accept the extension was made by Vice-President Cuddy, seconded by Councilman Bechtel and passed unanimously.

## **Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report**

None

### **Parks and Recreation Report**

None

### **Engineer's Report**

- Keith Heigel, of Light-Heigel & Associates, stated that DCNR informed him that American Rescue Plan funds are now eligible to be used for park and recreation.
- During the Park inspection, it was discovered that a plastic bubble on one of the playground items was broken. While awaiting a replacement, Borough workers will remove the bubble and install plywood to prevent falls. The asphalt trail along Rt. 22/322 had indentations from the metal PPL pole that was laying there. Light-Heigel is awaiting contact information to proceed.
- Councilman Bechtel inquired as to where McNaughton Homes was considering developing property. Mr. Heigel replied on Stony Creek Road near Denison Drive.
- The Notice of Violation for 408 Cluster is being handled by Johnson-Duffie Law Office.
- Concerns brought up by Mr. Skocik at the September 7, 2021 Council Meeting are still being reviewed by Light-Heigel & Associates.
- A motion made by Vice-President Cuddy and seconded by Councilman Harris to accept the Engineer's Report was passed unanimously.

### **Solicitor's Report**

- Attorney Statler stated that a check for \$2,182.11, issued to the Municipal Authority from a 2007 Grant, needs to go to the Sewer Fund.
- Regarding High Street, the attorney opined that it is the Borough's responsibility to maintain the grounds out to Erie Street as it is considered public space. Residents can make a request to the Borough to eradicate green space i.e. pave over grass for more parking. Borough may remove the railroad ties and, as a courtesy, notify the residents beforehand however permission is not required.
- A motion made by Councilman Musselman and seconded by Councilman Thrush to accept the Solicitor's Report was passed unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- A motion to accept the September 7, 2021 Treasurer's Report was made by Vice-President Cuddy, seconded by Councilman Bechtel and passed unanimously.

## **Mayor's Report**

None

## **Unfinished Business**

- a. A discussion on truck traffic on Allegheny Street was tabled until and unless it becomes necessary.
- b. High Street infrastructure and maintenance were addressed by Solicitor.
- c. Cheryl Cuddy presented an update to the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Heritage Day Celebration.

## **New Business**

The Borough has scheduled Trick or Treat activities on October 31, 2021, between 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

## **Correspondence**

- A resident complained about the trash pickup delays. Borough pickup was missed one day due to personnel issues. There is no concern at this time.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel**

- There will be budget meetings in November, as well as employee performance evaluations.

### **Public Works – Musselman, Thrush**

- Councilman Musselman provided the Fire Committee Budget to Council.
- Regarding the security cameras, an electrician has been here and Mr. Rank will begin camera installations next week.
- The SBR's air line at the Sewer Plant was temporarily repaired. Mr. Keffer is going to review the options for a long term repair.

### **Community Affairs – Harris, Burton**

- Rental inspection processes will be reviewed to consider additional fees, for example if there's more than two scheduled inspections.

### **Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long**

- Junior Council Person Long stated that the bottle cap collecting for picnic tables for the new park pavilion is going well.

**ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL**

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

Attest:

Approved:

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Linda Durgin  
Administrator/Secretary

Dave Grbich  
President, Borough Council