

DAUPHIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

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

COUNCIL

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

Comments

Daniel Johnson, the owner of 511 High Street, requested clarification of where parking is allowed on High Street and Erie Street. He is also interested in having a Bed & Breakfast at his home and stated he will be applying for a zoning variance. Solicitor Statler informed him that he can find pertinent information and an application online from the Zoning Hearing Board.

Acceptance of Minutes

A motion made by President Pro Tem Bechtel and seconded by Councilman Smith to accept the Minutes of the August 6, 2024 Borough Council Meeting was passed unanimously.

Dauphin Borough/Middle Paxton Township EMC Report

- No Report

Joint Fire Commission Report

- Vice-President Musselman informed Council that everything is going well, and that Bingo begins on Thursday, October 3rd. The Joint Fire Commission had the opportunity to utilize the new inflatable boat.

Parks and Recreation Report

- Vice President Musselman stated that there was no July Meeting. At the August meeting, there was a discussion regarding paving the walking path. The Commission is waiting for the engineer to approve.
- Girl Scouts are placing pet stations and trash cans at Dauphin-Middle Paxton Community Park.

Engineer's Report

- Delta Development (LDI) may assist on a PennVest submission. The Committee met with LDI, who is preparing data and documents for review. A meeting is scheduled September 10th with LDI to review the grant options for the Borough.
- The Dauphin County Conservation District is serving notice to the owner of 511 High Street regarding inadequate erosion and sedimentation measures on his nonpermitted driveway cut. The Borough is also issuing a Notice of Violation for construction of a driveway without a permit.
- The re-rate of the "permitted hydraulic capacity" of the existing sewer plant has been granted as requested in the application.
- The Borough was awarded \$184,192 from the CFA Board with a \$35,000 match for the High Street Sewer Project. An online account was established. The Erie Street and High Street lateral project was completed, and final design is continuing for bidding in December.

- A response to PADEP's review is still being coordinated with Troy Toland with additional testing. Envirep is meeting with Troy and Mike to finalize this item.

- Bridge DAB-1 takes Allegheny Street over Stony Creek. The repair cost is estimated at \$13,960. Bridge DAB-2 takes Allegheny Street over Susquehanna Street. The repair cost is estimated at \$22,850. The committee will schedule a meeting to discuss the bridge repairs and other street needs.

- The church at 100 Floral Lane proposed an area for recreation but final plans have not been received. Since turf was recently delivered, a letter was sent to the owners reminding them of their responsibility.

- A committee meeting update was held with the McNaughton Group.

- PADEP approved the permit application for the LDI project. LDI is submitting for PADOT permits.

Solicitor's Report

- Solicitor Statler informed Council that a Notice of Violation was sent to the owners of 408 Cluster Boulevard.

Mayor's Report

Fire Department August 2024

Duty Officer Response: 6

Fire Company Response: 19

PSP Second Quarter

Criminal Investigations: 9

Arrests: 5

Crashes: 5 (1 with injury, others were minor)

Traffic citations: 7

Warnings: 7

08/10 – Fire Company 100th Anniversary

08/15 – Received a call about flames being seen from the rear of 511 High Street.

Made contact.

Was a controlled burn. Advised that fire needs to be put out.

09/01 – Witnessed ATV being driven down Erie Street. Made contact with driver and advised

of Borough ordinance.

Sewer Delinquency / Rental Property Reports

- No questions

Treasurer's Report

- A motion to accept the August 2024 Treasurer's Report was made by Councilman Grbich, seconded by President Pro Tem Bechtel, and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- Keith Heigel informed Council that the committee met with the architect to finalize finishes, doors and windows. MEP drawings are being completed. The RACP Application is pending.

New Business

- The annual Commonwealth of PA Financial Audit received a good review and was passed.
- The Financial Requirement for the 2025 employee Pension Plan is \$4000 per participant.

Correspondence

- Eagle Scout Xander Klinger notified Council that the Gazebo Beautification Project is near completion.

Committee Reports

Administration – Cuddy, Bechtel, Grbich

- Troy Toland, Sewer Plant Operator, informed Council that there is a need to budget for future purchases to update the plant's mixer motors. He also suggested cancelling the annual inspection agreement of the Borough grinder pumps.

Public Works – Musselman, Smith

- The Borough is researching costs for weed control and crack sealing. Roadmaster Toland stated the Borough does have its own tar buggy.

Community Affairs – Burton, Harris

- Councilwoman Burton informed Council that the Rottweiler who previously attacked pets on Hillside Road attacked one again in August.

Junior Council Person – Jocelyn Long

- Junior Council Person Long informed Council that the 2024 Fall/Winter Newsletter has been completed. The newsletter includes thanks to the community for their help with the ABC Promise picnic tables, a referral to the Borough's winter weather ordinance and a reminder about the Savvy Citizen program.

ADJOURNMENT FROM COUNCIL

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Attest:

Approved:

Linda S. Durgin
Administrator/Secretary

Brian Cuddy
President, Borough Council