

## **BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council President James Collins II called the November 9, 2015 Borough Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council and guests stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Jim Collins asked all those that have served in the armed forces to please stand for a round of applause.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

James Collins II, Matt Hockley, Deborah Halpin-Brophy, Lois Stoner, Pam Still, Leroy "Cork" Shildt, Ed Kendall, Solicitor Mike Scherer, Borough Secretary/Treasurer Cheryl D. Smith and Mayor P. Scott Boise

### **APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Deb Brophy made a motion to approve payment of the bills. The motion was seconded by Matt Hockley. Motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES-OCTOBER 12, 2015**

Deb Brophy made a motion to approve the Borough Council minutes of October 12, 2015. The motion was seconded by Matt Hockley. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC OPINION SESSION**

Dennis Goshorn, 65 Mountain Street, Mt. Holly Springs addressed Council on the youth in Mt. Holly. Mr. Goshorn stated his grandchildren asked him to see if something could be started for them to do. Deb Brophy asked Mr. Goshorn if there was anything the children could come up with that they would like to see. Mrs. Brophy indicated they have been discussing the matter but they need to know what is on their minds instead of a general statement. Mrs. Brophy stated they need ideas and would love to work with a group of people and see what they would like and what would be feasible. Deb Brophy indicated Park & Rec would be meeting November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and invited Mr. Goshorn and the teens to discuss what they would like.

Pam Still reported she was contacted by Rob Robinson of the Lions Club and he expressed a strong interest in youth activities.

Scott and Pam Martin, 250 Cactus Hill Road, Carlisle had questions concerning the roundabout Baltimore Avenue and Pine Street. Ms. Martin does not live in the Borough but they do own property in Mt. Holly and was not aware of any of the meetings until the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Martin asked how the meetings were advertised for people to

voice their concerns. Jim Collins stated newspaper mostly. Pam Still added it was also on the website. Ms. Martin stated a letter would have been greatly appreciated as to the meeting dates. Ms. Martin read that adding a roundabout would increase the property values 15%-20% and asked where the facts and figures come from and how is their property going to be increased by having a roundabout. Pam Still stated the engineer would be having another meeting at the Borough Office and is open to the public but the date has not been determined yet. Ms. Martin asked when would Borough Council review and vote on the various components. Jim Collins stated that has to be determined, especially the roundabouts because that would be PennDot to say if they could be done and if they would finance.

There was some preliminary discussion on the meeting date of December 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Hockley asked if the engineer would have the report ready by the 17<sup>th</sup>. Pam Still stated she had talked to the engineer and he would have the report ready. Cork Shildt made a motion to have the revitalization meeting December 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Deb Brophy. Pam Still stated the committee meeting would be at 6:30. Motion passed unanimously.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Mike Scherer reported he was contacted by the Solicitor for the Carlisle Area School District who became aware of the idea of constructing a garage connected to the Borough Office. He presented Mr. Scherer with a lease addendum that would permit that. Mr. Scherer's concern is the existing lease that was signed in March 2014 is only a five year lease. Mr. Scherer is also concerned about having such a short duration of the lease when the Borough would be making significant improvements to the property. Mr. Scherer indicated it may be a condition of the grant that you own the property you build on. Council tabled the addendum until the Solicitor checks further into the matter.

Mike Scherer reported he was contacted by Terry Kennedy from R.J. Hall. He explained that the Federal Government amends the police pension plan every so often and provided a sample ordinance. Deb Brophy made a motion to have the Solicitor draw up the necessary advertisement for the Ordinance to repeal the Police Pension Plan and adopt the new revised Police Pension Plan. The motion was seconded by Cork Shildt. Matt Hockley asked what the changes are. Mr. Scherer stated there are no changes and is just a matter of repealing the old and adopting the new and that captures any amendments that have been made in the law. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Collins reported at last month's meeting there was a motion on the floor and a seconded to allow the Codes Enforcement Officer to proceed with filing for grants and got lost in discussion and the vote was never taken.

Cork Shildt made a motion to retroactively allow the Codes Enforcement Officer to apply for the Department of Agriculture grants for the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Matt Hockley. Motion passed unanimously.

\*\*\*\*\*COMMITTEE REPORTS\*\*\*\*\*

**HEALTH, SAFETY & WEFARE**

Deb Brophy made a motion to accept Rachael Krupko's resignation as part-time police officer effective October 15, 2015. The motion was seconded by Cork Shildt. Matt Hockley asked if she turned her thing back in. Chief Day replied yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Deb Brophy reported she received a resignation letter from Gregory Hair as EMC. Mrs. Brophy read the letter to Council.

Deb Brophy made a motion to accept the resignation of Gregory Hair as Emergency Management Coordinator effective December 1, 2015. The motion was seconded by Lois Stoner. Motion passed unanimously.

Cork Shildt asked how the Borough gets a new EMC. Jim Collins replied the Governor would appoint a new EMC. Jim Collins asked Cork Shildt and Mayor Boise to look into the matter on how to replace Greg Hair.

**Mayor's Report**-Mayor Boise presented the monthly statistics from October 8<sup>th</sup>-November 8<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Boise also indicated the DOT checks are continuing.

**ADMINITRATIVE, FINANCE & BUDGET**

Deb Brophy made a motion to advertise Ordinance 2015-01, the Tax Mill Rate. The motion was seconded by Matt Hockley. Ms. Brophy stated the real estate is 1.925 mills; street lights are .239 mills and fire tax is .216 mills. Motion passed unanimously.

Deb Brophy made a motion to advertise the 2016 General Fund Budget that would be on display at the Borough Office during working hours. The motion was seconded by Cork Shildt. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Cork Shildt reported leaf pick has begun and would run until December 15<sup>th</sup>. Pick up would be every day except Mondays.

Cork Shildt reported the hole on West Pine Street has not been addressed yet.

Matt Hockley stated the Army Corp of Engineer checked the bridge today because they are re-doing the flood plain map.

**PLANNING & ZONING**

Pam Still reported they would have a tentative contract written for Rebecca Yearick by November 19, 2015 and would be at the committee meeting and vote on hiring her on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Pam Still asked Council if would like to continue the conversation on Article 11 now or do it at the November 19<sup>th</sup> committee meeting or November 24<sup>th</sup> at the Planning Meeting. Council agreed to discuss it on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **PARK & RECREATION**

Lois Stoner presented a handout of all the work done at the parks and the ball fields for 2015. Mrs. Stoner thanked the Committee, Jim Hoerner and Kurt Bream for all the work they did.

Lois Stoner reported they would like to install doggie waste containers at Trine Park and also Butler and Tichy Parks. The cost would be approximately \$270 each. They would also like to do three stainless steel wall mounted trash cans at Trine Park. They would like to put a changing table in each bathroom at Trine Park. Cork Shildt suggested making the handicapped bathroom a family bathroom and put one changing table in there.

Lois Stoner made a motion to purchase the items mentioned not to exceed \$3000. The motion was seconded by Deb Brophy. Motion passed unanimously.

Cork Shildt asked Jim Hoerner when was going to winterize the bathrooms at Trine Park. Mr. Hoerner replied tomorrow.

**WCOG Report-** Pam Still reported the dues for the COG would be half price thanks to all the warehouses.

Pam Still reported tree stands have to have a name or a tree stand number tag if they are on public land.

Pam Still reported Municipality Planning can now have three alternate members.

Pam Still reported mothers breast feeding or people over 74 years old can opt out of jury duty.

Pam Still reported Shippensburg is hosting a town hall meeting.

Pam Still reported Cumberland County held a recycling event on October 24<sup>th</sup> and filled 11 ½ tractor trailers of recycling.

Pam Still reported the Land Partnership Grant Program is determining now who would be awarded the grant.

Pam Still reported according to Pennsylvania live.com 10 of the 15 top places to live are located in Cumberland County.

Pam Still reported CAEDC is hosting their holiday open house December 9<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 at the old Borough Office on South Street in Carlisle.

Pam Still reported Cumberland County is seeking a new planning member and is a 4 year term and would be the third Thursday of each month. You would apply through the County.

## **OTHER BUSINESS FOR COUNCIL**

**Revitalization**-Pam Still reported the Greater Harrisburg Area Realtor have given a grant for \$2500 for banners for down the main street. There was some money left over so they would also be able to stretch a banner across the railroad bridge occasionally when it is not being used to advertise something else. The money would be received in January and they hope to have the banners in place by spring.

Pam Still reported because of budget cuts, there would be only one tree vitalization grant offered in 2016 and would be in September. Ms. Still indicated they would have to act fast because the on line class is a 7 week course and starts January 21<sup>st</sup> –March 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is \$35.00 and requires 2 people attend to apply for the grant.

Pam Still reported they have a meeting scheduled at Crumbs Café with the gentlemen from the Lions Clubs.

## **ADJOURN**

Cork Shildt made a motion to adjourn the November 9, 2015 Borough Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Deb Brophy. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Smith  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

Transcribed by:

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