

# February 7, 2022

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Jim O'Connor with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer. Members attending were Pat Haley, Doug Hartman, Robert Moyer, Tricia Springer, and Sam Wengert. Also attending was Mayor Larry Minnich, and Melody Vanderveer, Borough Manager. Matt Urban was absent.

Minutes from the January 3, 2022 minutes were e-mailed to Council prior to the meeting. **Motion by Doug Hartman, seconded by Bob Moyer to approve the January 3, 2022 minutes. Motion carried.**

The Treasurer's report for January, 2022 was read. **A motion was made by Sam Wengert, seconded by Pat Haley to approve the Treasurer's report for January, 2022. Motion carried.**

## **FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Andrew Raudensky**

The Cleona Fire Company responded to 45 calls in January with 20 being in Cleona. The Fire Company logged 189.65man hours for the month of January. Andrew signed the resolution for the merger and has turned it over to their attorney to file in Orphans Court.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich and Chief Farneski**

Chief's report submitted and attached to these minutes.

Chief worked with Colleen to make changes to the Civil Service Manual to coincide with the current Civil Service. The changes included taking out the comments and attachments of sample letters, taking out the polygraph test and using the Chief of Police test for the written exam. The physical exam was updated to the basic entrance exam for the police academy exam approved by MOPC. Since the updated manual was not viewed by Council prior to the meeting, action cannot be taken to approve the new manual until next month.

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments

## **PRESIDENT' S REPORT/COMMENTS – Jim O'Connor**

Jim didn't have anything new to report.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT - Bob Moyer**

Properties under notice of violation were covered in Colleen's report. An IPMC meeting will be scheduled for this month.

## **PROPERT DEPARTMENT - Doug Hartman**

Doug has the contract from UGI to bring gas to the building, and he also met with Brad Bowman from G.F. Bowman about upgrades to the heating system.

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**Motion to approve the UGI contract contingent upon approval from the Solicitor by Doug Hartman, seconded by Tricia Springer. Motion carried.**

The zoning committee has a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Doug attended a “kick-off” meeting with Steve Shirk, Jon Fitzkee and Steven Chiramonte regarding the PennDot Special Study for the 422 corridor which was approved by PennDot for Cleona.

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - Sam Wengert**

Snow removal in January went smoothly. The Borough received the land development plans for the new bus loop at the Cleona Elementary.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Pat Haley**

The Park and Rec has scheduled the following events; April 9<sup>th</sup>; Easter candy scramble, May 17<sup>th</sup>; Mother’s Day painting event, June 17<sup>th</sup>; movie night #1 showing “Agent Toby Bark”, June 18<sup>th</sup>; Father’s Day event, July 15<sup>th</sup>; movie night #2 showing “War with Grandpa”, August 19<sup>th</sup>; movie night #3 showing “Luca”, October 22<sup>nd</sup>; Fall Festival, December 11<sup>th</sup>; Santa Meet and Greet and possibly a tree lighting event. Grants are being looked at for improvements to the park. One grant is to make improvements to the kitchen.

### **FIRE SAFETY/POLICE DEPARTMENT – Tricia Springer**

Tricia has two items under new business.

### **FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Matt Urban (absent)**

### **BOROUGH MANAGER-BOROUGH AUTHORITY – Melody Vanderveer**

The office is continuing to put documents in electronic format. All the Resolutions and Ordinance are completed and minutes from 1992 through 2021 are done as well.

The snow removal contractor for G.F. Bowman, used a skid loader to remove the snow on the sidewalk over the storm drains on South Grant Street and 3 concrete panels fell in. The Authority had Custer Excavating install plywood over the holes until they can have their engineer look at the cracks in the stormwater channel. The contractor that caused the panels to fall in has offered to pay for the replacement.

### **SOLICITOR’S REPORT – Colleen Gallo (absent)**

Solicitor’s report submitted and attached to these minutes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- IPMC repeat offenders was tabled until March meeting since Colleen was absent.
- **Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Doug Hartman to approve Bryan Hoffman to renew his term on the IPMC Appeals Board. Motion carried**
- **Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Pat Haley to approve the Cleona Fire Company/Union Hose revised agreement. Motion carried**
- **Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Doug Hartman to adopt Resolution #2020-01, Municipal Agreement with Union Township for Police Services. Motion carried.**
- Approval of the Civil Service Manual tabled until March.
- **Motion by Doug Hartman, seconded by Pat Haley to approve Jonestown Bank for bank depository. Motion carried**
- Verizon Walnut Mills fiber optic installation was tabled. We do not have a permit that requires a contractor to submit a bond for street openings.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Tax relief for Volunteer Fire Fighters –Tabled until merger
- Ordinance Review – Recreational vehicles parking on streets; review repealed Chapter 25 Trees; permits for dumpsters/parking on non-vehicles.
- Municipal Trash
- NIMS Training (100, 200, 700) –
- PennDot Special Studies
- Excavation of streets ordinance; fee schedule to be addressed as well
- Annville/Cleona Pool DCNR grant

**Motion by Pat Haley, seconded by Sam Wengert to pay the bills for January, 2022.**

**Council recessed to an executive session to discuss police matters at 7:47.**

**Council reconvened at 9:17pm.**

**Motion to approve disciplinary action as discussed in executive session by Doug Hartman, seconded by Pat Haley. Motion passed with 5 votes in favor and 1 vote against.**

**Motion to adjourn at 9:22pm by Pat Haley, seconded by Bob Moyer.**

Respectively Submitted  
Melody Vanderveer