

May 1, 2023

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Vice President Patrick Haley with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer. Members attending were Doug Hartman, Tricia Springer, and Sam Wengert. Also attending were Colleen Gallo, Solicitor, and Melody Vanderveer, Borough Manager. Rafael Jimenez Gomez, Jim O'Connor, and Matt Urban were absent.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Absent

Fire Company report was not submitted as it was the first workday of the month. As soon as it is ready it will be attached to these minutes.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Farneski

Chief's report submitted and attached to these minutes. Sergeant Rager is working on the notifications on the state grant. They are waiting for B. Moyer Radio Communications to outfit the new 2023 vehicle.

Minutes from the March 6, 2023, minutes were e-mailed to Council prior to the meeting. **Motion by Pat Haley, seconded by Matt Urban to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2023 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Treasurer's report for April was read. **Motion by Matt Urban, seconded by Tricia Springer, to approve the Treasurer's report for April, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.**

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Candy Johnson, Annville Township Administrator and LeeAnn Rogers, Pennsylvania Economy League, Central Division: Candy and LeeAnn attended the meeting to bring attention to a DCED Strategic Management Planning Program (STMP) grant, that would fund a study, done by the Pennsylvania Economy League, to look at Cleona and Annville Township for shared administrative services as well as give recommendations for future grant funding. The grant would not cover the entire cost of the study, and a portion would need to be funded by Cleona and Annville Township. Cleona would need to apply for the grant through our local DCED representative.

Ross Hopple, Dutchman Education Foundation: Mr. Hopple discussed the Dutchman Foundation's \$100,000.00 Capital Campaign for health and wellness. They have raised 30-4k which covered the sensory and climbing walls in the elementary schools. They still need funding for new cardio and strengthening equipment in the weight room at the secondary school.

Alan Mamazic, 27 West Pine Street: Mr. Mamazic wanted information on what items he needs to remove to obtain full compliance on his IPMC violation. He was given Chris Miller's phone number.

PRESIDENT' S REPORT/COMMENTS – Jim O'Connor (absent)

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Rafael Jimenez Gomez (absent)

PROPERT DEPARTMENT - Doug Hartman

422 Special Study: An open house is scheduled for April 23, 2023, from 4:00-7:00pm for residents to view the recommendations WSP is proposing for the Cleona 422 corridor.

Property: Mr. Field's holly tree at the corner of the property will be moved to the area between the Fire Company door and the Borough front door along with a new plaque in his honor. The new sign is ordered and will be placed at the corner of the property. Court Administration has agreed to pay for 50% of the cost of the sign. Fred Siebecker will start to grade and seed the front and side of the property.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - Sam Wengert

Curb cuts should be starting this week. Sam gave instructions for Steve Shirk and Kinsley to contact him before putting in any cheek curbs. Paving will not start until July.

Sam received two complaints from residents; one about the train noise reverberating off the Project Oak warehouse and a complaint about debris from UGI coming into the alley. Sam will reach out to Pat Brewer who leases the property to UGI.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Pat Haley

The Basics Trail ribbon cutting was held April 29, 2023. Bill Matusiak's grandchildren helped with the ribbon cutting. This is the first of its kind in Pennsylvania! The next event is a Mother's Day Manicure event scheduled for May 6, 2023 from 1:00-3:00pm.

FIRE SAFETY/POLICE DEPARTMENT – Tricia Springer

Tricia has items to discuss in the executive session.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Matt Urban (absent)

Matt contacted the state treasury earlier and received an e-mail that the PIB loan is expected to be transferred into our Liquid Fuels account on May 4, 2023.

BOROUGH MANAGER-BOROUGH AUTHORITY – Melody Vanderveer

There was nothing new to report for the Borough Authority. Their next meeting is May 3, 2023.

SOLICITOR – Colleen Gallo

Solicitor's report submitted and attached to these minutes. Colleen would like a meeting with the zoning committee before Council's June meeting as she has questions about the zoning revisions she received. A meeting will be scheduled on a Wednesday at 5:00pm.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Doug Hartman to approve Immanuel Methodist church request to place signs for Music in the Park every week from May 5, 2023 until June 9, 2023. Motion carried

Permission was granted to the Lebanon Valley Bicycle Coalition Ride of Silence to use our parking lot May 17, 2023, at 7:00pm. Jim Westhafer, Fire Police, will be available stop traffic on 422 so they can safely get out onto 422.

Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Sam Wengert to use \$20,000.00 COVID funds to start the police department renovations. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Hartman, seconded by Sam Wengert to approve the SRO contract from June, 2023 to June, 2026. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Municipal Trash: Rafael and the office are working on a municipal trash survey to be handed out on election day to receive feedback from the residents on municipal trash.

Excavation of street ordinance: Doug is waiting for Steve Shirk, Steckbeck Engineering, to provide information on boring to finish up his work on the excavation of streets.

Council recessed into executive session at 7:56pm

Council reconvened at 8:47pm

Motion by Tricia Springer, seconded by Sam Wengert, to provide \$5,000.00 retention bonus to all the full-time police officers, provided they stay until the end of the calendar year. \$2,500.00 retention bonus to part-time officers working 25 hours or more a month and \$1,000 retention bonus to part-time officers working over 10 hours a month up to 25 hours a month and a \$5,000.00 sign-in bonus for any new fulltime new hires provided all part-time and new hires remain employed with the Borough for two years. If any officer leaves employment during their retention commitment a payback would be required at a prorated amount. Motion carried

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Motion by Pat Haley, seconded by Tricia Springer to give the owner of 30 South Harris 90-day extension to secure a contractor to have the trees removed and 90 days after the trees are removed to secure a contractor to have the sidewalk repaired. Motion carried

Motion by Sam Wengert, seconded by Doug Hartman to pay the bills for April, 2023. Motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm

Respectively Submitted

Melody Vanderveer