

1. Call to Order:

On May 7, 2018 President Ramper called the Borough Council to order at 7:30 PM, followed by the salute to the flag and a moment of silence. Roll call was taken and all members were present with the exception of Matio and Deardorff.

2. Action on Minutes:

A motion was made by Sweger to have the minutes from the April 2, 2018 Council meeting approved and it was seconded by Shaw. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Citizen Comments:

Bud Boal asked about rental inspections and changes in tenancy. He explained of problems in 2713 Boas St. where the landlord has not informed the borough of changes and the residence has not been inspected.

Clyde Bateman asked about the property beside 2303 Walnut Street was in poor maintenance condition. He also mentioned a street light was out at 28th and Boas St. He asked about uninspected vehicles on public streets not being ticketed every day. It might take several weeks to go through the process before the vehicle is towed.

4. Reports:

A. Mayor – Mayor Miller read the police report for April. She attended the DLCBA Meeting with Council woman Matio. The National Night Out flyer was distributed and they are looking for sponsors. The Mayor requested an executive session about the last item under new business.

B. Treasurer – Secretary Eberly read the Treasurer's report for April 2018. A motion was made by Armbruster and seconded by Copley to approve the Treasurer's report for audit. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Manager – Eberly thanked the Public Works team for landscaping to the Borough Building. President Ramper and Eberly met with Republic last week about concerns over the trash and recycling service. USG was at Asylum Run scoping the sewer line. They identified about a 100 foot section with having problems. Three quotes have been obtained for audit services and the proposals will be discussed at the next Caucus meeting.

D. Solicitor – No report.

E. Fire Chief- Musser provided an overview of the fire report from the month of April. He also mentioned they failed to receive either federal grant this year. He is looking for other grant opportunities for air pack replacements. Chicken BBQ is scheduled for this Saturday starting at 10:00AM. On May 17th they are having another evening at the Texas Roadhouse, but you need to show a copy of the flyer. The Mayor asked if the number of calls included all the times the siren went off. Musser responded that the siren might go off and not be a call because they are already dispatched somewhere else.

F. Committees:

1. Codes – No report.

2. Public Safety – No report given. Order of Succession for the month of May is Shaw, Sweger and Armbruster.

3. Parks & Property – The next meeting is May 9 at 6:30 PM. Christine Hunter from E. H. Black Associates provided an overview of the parks masterplan. Focus will be on Little Valley park and the summer program during the next several weeks.

4. Public Works – No report.

5. Personnel – An Executive Session was called by President Ramper to discuss two personnel matters.

6. Community & Government –KPB events were a great success. Leos, Lions, PRI and churches were all participants of this initiative. A lot of work was done on the north/west side of the borough. Leo's Charter night will be celebrated on Tuesday night and it is their 9th year of service. Newsletter articles are required by Armbruster by June 5th to be included in the next publication.

7. Budget – A summary report was briefly reviewed highlighted by Armbruster.

8. Authority- The next Authority meeting is scheduled for May 16 at 6:30 PM. Repairs are being completed at Ludwig and Wilo for a sinkhole. A rain barrel workshop is scheduled through DCCR for June 2. The annual 2018/19 budget will continue to be worked on for the upcoming fiscal year. Those residents who have not made any stormwater payments will be receiving another delinquency notice later this week. Vicky Dougherty has resigned her Authority Board role.

9. Susquehanna Township –EMS – Don Kunst provided a report of the number of calls for the month of April. Training for active shooter and for patients in opioid crisis has been recent trainings members have participated in lately.

5. New Business:

A. A motion was made by Sweger, seconded by Copley to approve Ordinance 2018-01 amending the Disorderly Conduct Ordinance. The motion passed with Armbruster as the only dissenting vote.

B. A motion was made by Ramper, seconded by Sweger to approve Ordinance 2018-02 amending the Recycling Ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

C. A motion was made by Sweger, seconded by McDonald to approve the promotion of Nate Bragunier to the newly created Road Master / Public Works Supervisor. The motion passed unanimously.

D. A motion was made by Sweger, seconded by Copley to approve Resolution 2018-06 in support of a citizen's commission for legislation and congressional redistricting. This motion was passed unanimously.

E. A motion was made by Armbruster, seconded by Shaw to table sending a letter of intent to two Part Time Police Officer candidates. This motion was passed unanimously.

6. Visitors Comments:

Ronda White – Spoke about the trash and poor property maintenance throughout the borough. She asked that the Codes Officer inspect Hoffer Lane to address some issues. She also asked if the Borough is still flushing dead-end sewer lines. Nate Bragunier mentioned the Public Works team is currently flushing these lines and the line by her residence was done within the past month. Ramper is working with the Borough manager and Codes Enforcement officer to address maintenance issues within the Borough at least once a week.

Bud Boal – Asked if there was a standard or maximum for the number of family members living in a residence. Armbruster explained according to the IPMC, there is a standard calculation.

Steven Garisto – Wanted to thank Officer Aquillo for his response to an aggressive driver. He also mentioned the Borough should do something about S. 24th Street to reduce the traffic and prevent kids playing in the area from being hit.

7. Comments from Elected Officials:

A. Mayor – Thanked Public Works for fixing up the building.

B. Sweger– Thanked everyone for attending and the landscape looked great.

C. Shaw– Thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and for the participation at the KPB event. He congratulated Nate B. on his promotion.

D. McDonald– Thanked everyone for attending and on Nate's promotion.
E. Copley– Thanked the Police for their efforts and on Nate's promotion.
F. Armbruster– Thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight, Nate's promotion and for the effort of the Police.
G. Eberly– Thanked everyone for attending and for the dedication of the Police.
H. Solicitor Wendaur – Thanked Council for his appointment.
I. Ramper- Thanked everyone for coming and all the productive input. We will continue to work to get our Codes Officer out to do more property maintenance. There has been movement with several seriously bad properties. We want to look into getting property rental inspections staggered. Thanks to the Police for all their hard work.

8. Action on the Bills to be Paid:

A motion was made by Armbruster, seconded by McDonald to pay the bills. The motion passed unanimously. .

9. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Sweger, seconded by Shaw to adjourn at 9:45 PM. The motion passed unanimously.