

1. Call to Order:

On March 4, 2019 Vice President Deardorff 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 with all members present with the exception of President Ramper, Matio and Sweger being absent.

2. Action on February 4, 2019 Council Minutes:

A motion was made by Armbruster to have the minutes from the February 4, 2019 Council meeting approved and it was seconded by Dry. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Action on February 19, 2019 Caucus Minutes:

A motion was made by Deardorff to have the minutes from the February 19, 2019 Caucus meeting approved and it was seconded by Shaw. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Citizen Comments:

Clyde Bateman – Reported that a Banks Street sign was found on the ground and it was returned to Public Works to be replaced. He also questioned about the new radio proposed to be purchased for the Fire Company later on the agenda and Chief Musser explained they would take care of the installation.

5. Reports:

A. Mayor- Mayor Miller provided a recap of the February, 2019 Police report. She also mentioned that at the February Caucus meeting Joseph Hogarth was approved as the new Police Chief and his first day will be March 25, 2019. A formal swearing in ceremony will be held at the April 1, 2019 Council meeting.

B. Treasurer – Secretary Eberly read the Treasurer's report for February 2019. A motion was made by Armbruster and seconded by Shaw to approve the Treasurer's report for audit. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Manager – Eberly reported that the Borough will receive \$88,754.48 from the Department of Transportation for the 2019 Liquid Fuels allocation to offset annual costs for traffic signals, street lighting, road salt and other road related expenditures. The pre-bid meeting for the Elm Street Station park renovations

was held last week and bid openings are scheduled for March 15, 2019. Paxtang and Penbrook Public Works completed the Spring Creek stream bank restoration project protecting Penbrook's sewer line that became exposed due to erosion. Preliminary indications are that Penbrook will receive a \$50,000 2019 Gaming Grant to assist with offsetting the Asylum Run Sewer line renovations. Continued efforts with the insurance company are underway to trouble-shoot the Borough Building Siren which was hit by lightning. Updates will continue to be provided as this project progresses.

D. Solicitor – No report, but Wendaur commented in the next several weeks he is planning to move his Harrisburg office to the next block.

E. Fire Chief – Chief Musser reported on the month of February 2019 fire calls taken by the Fire Department.

F. Committees:

1. Codes – Deardorff read the Codes Department Activity Report for the month of February 2019.

2. Public Safety – Eberly reported the order of succession for the month of March is Armbruster, Dry and Deardorff.

3. Parks & Property – The next meeting will be held on March 13, 2019 at 6:30PM. Discussions and planning have begun for the upcoming summer program and we are looking for volunteers to assist. The bid process for the Elm Street Station project has begun.

4. Public Works- The Public Works team have been focused on addressing the snow removal during the recent weekend weather events and are now identifying potholes to be filled once weather permits. As mentioned earlier, they have recently finished the Spring Creek streambank restoration project.

5. Personnel – No report, but the new Police Chief will begin on March 25, 2019.

6. Community & Government – Shaw provided numerous dates and times of upcoming events and meetings being held in the Borough. This was highlighted with the upcoming, Lions Pancake Breakfast on March 9, 2019, 'Keep Penbrook Beautiful' event scheduled for April 13, 2019, and the Annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for April 20, 2019. Penbrook's own Summer Martinez will be recognized at the April 1, 2019 Council meeting for being selected for the Pennsylvania Leo of the Year award. The spring newsletter is currently being delivered by the Leo's to residents throughout Penbrook.

7. Budget – Armbruster distributed a summary report for February, 2019 and pointed out that during this time of year the expenses tend to be greater than incoming revenues, but we should see that switch in the next few months.

8. Authority- The next Authority meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2019 at 6:30PM. The February meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

6. New Business:

A. A motion was made by Armbruster, seconded by McDonald to approve the borough paying 50% or \$2,143.79 of the joint purchase for a new radio with the Fire Department which will be installed in their recently purchased vehicle. The motion to approve this request was passed unanimously.

B. A motion was made by Shaw, seconded by Dry to approve the low bid in the amount of \$20,383.00 from Mr. Rehab, Inc. to conduct the televising project of the Asylum Run sewer line. The motion to approve this request was passed unanimously.

C. A motion was made by Armbruster, seconded by Shaw to approve the cost study of various scenarios for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan in the amount of \$600, which will be funded out of the existing pension fund. The motion to approve this amendment was passed unanimously.

D. A motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Dry to approve Resolution 2019-02 declaring the value of each H&K service weapon to be less than \$1,000 and authorizing the sale of each item by the Borough Manager, due to the Penbrook Police Department converting to using Glock service weapons. The motion to approve this request was passed unanimously.

7. Visitors Comments:

A. Clyde Bateman - It was clarified that residents have 24 hours after a snow event ends to shovel sidewalks.

B. Jason Musser – Thanked everyone for approving the new truck and now the radio purchases for the Fire Company.

8. Comments from Elected Officials:

A. Dry – Thanked everyone for coming out and attending tonight's meeting.

B. Armbruster– Thanked all for attending the meeting tonight and for everyone's assistance for providing material for the Newsletter.

C. McDonald– Thanked everyone for attending and congratulated the Fire Company on their new truck and radio.

D. Shaw– Thanked everyone for attending and for the work by Public Works. He also congratulated the Fire Company on the new truck and radio. Armbruster was also recognized for all his efforts with producing the spring newsletter.

E. Mayor– Thanked everyone for coming tonight and for the Public Works efforts. She also expressed her appreciation for Armbruster's work on the newsletter. Please keep the Cassell family in your prayers and she is currently under Hospice care.

F. Deardorff – He thanked the Public Works, Fire Company, Police for all their efforts and thanked Armbruster for his work on the newsletter.

9. Action on the Bills to be Paid:

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

10. Adjourn:

A motion was made by Ambruster, seconded by Dry to adjourn at 8:15 PM. The motion passed unanimously.