

BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 7, 2022

Borough Council held its Regular Meeting on the above date at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building. Council President Joy Kemper called the meeting to order with the following persons present: Council Members Susan Noel, Diane Hastings, Brian Braightmeyer, Cheryl Bowman and Gerald Hassel. Mayor Anthony Cavallaro, Borough Manager Scott Peiffer and Chief Rick Beighley were also in attendance.

COUNCIL VACANCY APPOINTMENT: A motion to adopt Resolution 2022-02 appointing James Kreider to Borough Council to fulfill the remaining term vacated by C. Richard Aument was made by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE: Mayor Anthony Cavallaro administered the oath of office to newly appointed Council member James Kreider.

ELECTION-VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL: President Joy Kemper called for nominations for Council Vice President. Councilman Braightmeyer nominated Susan Noel for Vice President of Council. Councilwoman Hastings seconded the motion. There were no other nominations for the office. A vote was taken and Noel was unanimously elected.

ELECTION-PRESIDENT PRO TEM: President Joy Kemper called for nominations for the position of President Pro Tem. Councilman Kreider nominated Brian Braightmeyer for the office of President Pro Tem. Councilwoman Bowman nominated Diane Hastings. Councilwoman Hastings seconded the nomination of Brian Braightmeyer for the office of President Pro Tem. A vote was taken and Brian Braightmeyer was unanimously elected to the position.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT: A motion to appoint Brian Braightmeyer to serve on the Quarryville Authority board was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTE BOOK PAGE DEDICATION: A page in the minute book was dedicated to C. Richard Aument. Rick served on Borough Council and the Borough Authority until his recent death.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Marisol Maldonado from Lancaster General Health-Penn Medicine, presented a short program on the Lead-Free Families initiative sponsored by LGH-Penn Medicine. The program addresses lead contamination in older homes and provides financial assistance to remove the contaminant from those homes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 3, 2022: It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Noel that the minutes of the January 3, 2022 Regular Meeting be approved. The motion passed with Councilman Kreider abstaining.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – WORK SESSION – JANUARY 10, 2022: It was moved by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Hassel that the minutes of the January 10, 2022 Work Session be approved. The motion passed with Councilman Kreider abstaining.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

St. Patrick’s Scavenger Hunt: A motion to approve the St. Patrick’s Day Scavenger Hunt Community Event to be held from March 12-March 17,2022 was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

Maintenance Loader Purchase Approval: After a brief discussion on purchase options, a motion to purchase a new John Deere 324 L loader at a cost of \$64,349.52 including trade-in, was made by Councilwoman Bowman and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed with Council President Kemper and Councilman Braightmeyer opposed.

Fire Police Request: A motion to approve the request for Fire Police assistance at the Strasburg Fire Company Mud Sale to be held on February 26, 2022 was made by Councilwoman Bowman and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

Borough/Quarryville Lions Club Car Cruise Approval: A motion to approve the Second Annual Cruise-In at Memorial Park to be held on June 4, 2022 (Rain Date 6/11/22) was made by Councilwoman Bowman and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND MONTHLY BILLS – JANUARY 31, 2022: Council received the financial report and the bills for January 2022. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer that the financial report be received and the monthly bills for January in the amount of \$169,790.09 be ratified. The motion was approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Council received the Police Department Report of Calls for Service for January 2022. Chief Beighley spoke about the purchase of a new police vehicle and the advantages of purchasing a hybrid model for fuel savings. A discussion was held on hiring a new police officer to replace the vacancy created by the promotion of Officer Rick Beighley to the position of Police Chief. The Lancaster County Consortium is depleted and they will not be retesting until September, 2022. Chief Beighley spoke about the possibility of the Borough holding their own test for a new officer. Council President Kemper brought up the recent conversations from other Boroughs regarding Civil Service requirements for police hiring. The Manager will look into preparing a resolution supporting changes in the Borough Code regarding the Civil Service procedures in hiring.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT: Council accepted the January report as submitted.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY: The minutes of the January 18, 2022 meeting were reviewed by Council.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The January 17, 2022 meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

STREETS/INFRASTRUCTURE/PARKS COMMITTEE: The minutes of the January 11, 2022 S/I/P meeting were reviewed by Council. Council President Kemper appointed Councilwoman Cheryl Bowman as chairperson of the Streets/Infrastructure/Parks Committee.

OLD BUSINESS: The Quarryville Borough Authority Employee Proposal was tabled until the Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS: Council had a brief discussion on mileage reimbursement for Borough Council members and the mayor when they attend training and other Borough related events. It was decided that a policy should be drafted for review regarding allowable requests for reimbursement. The Borough Manager will look into the creation of such a policy.

Councilwoman Bowman informed Council of the value of her recent attendance at the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs training.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:52 PM, Council President Joy Kemper called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for a public works personnel issue. Councilman Brightmeyer offered that motion and Councilwoman Hastings seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: At 9:35 PM, Council returned to regular session.

A motion to table the hiring of an additional fulltime maintenance employee as outlined in the Quarryville Borough Authority proposal until maintenance worker Ron Munro returns from a recent injury or two months was made by Councilman Brightmeyer and seconded by Councilman Hassel. The motion passed with Councilwoman Bowman opposed.

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:40 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to adjourn. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Bowman that the meeting be adjourned. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Peiffer
Borough Manager