

BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 7, 2021

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, Jim Kreider, Rick Aument, Brian Braightmeyer and Diane Hastings. Mayor Joseph Bledsoe, Jr., Borough Manager Scott Peiffer and Officer Rick Beighley were also in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING - May 3, 2021: It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer that the minutes of the May 3, 2021 Regular Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - WORK SESSION - MAY 10, 2021: It was moved by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer that the minutes of the May 10, 2021 Work Session be approved. The motion passed with Councilman Kreider and Councilman Aument abstaining.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Communications Tower: A motion to approve the request from Lancaster County Communications to remove the tower and building structure from the Borough property with the existing chain link fence remaining was made by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

Porch Decorating Contest and Chalk It Up Contest: A motion to hold the July Fourth Porch Decorating Contest in July and the Chalk It Up Quarryville Contest in August was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 2021-04: This resolution allows GMS Funding to apply for the next round of Multimodal Transportation Funding in July, 2021. A motion to adopt Resolution 2021-04 was made by Councilman Aument and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

Capital Budget Template: A motion to accept a proposal from Trout CPA to prepare a capital budget spreadsheet at a cost of between \$2,500.00 and \$3,000.00 was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Ordinance Amendments: Council had a brief discussion on the proposed amendments to our code of ordinances. Committees will follow up and propose any additional changes.

Gateway Welcome Signs: Anthony Cavallaro gave a power point presentation on the proposed gateway welcome signs which are being funded by local business. The Borough will need to take ownership of the signs and obtain lease agreements with the owners of the properties on which the signs will be placed. A motion to move forward and prepare agreements with the property owners of the two existing Chamber of Commerce sign sites in preparation to install new gateway welcome signs was made by Councilman Aument and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief of Police Resignation - Acting Chief of Police Appointment: A motion to accept the resignation of Clark Bearinger as Chief of Police was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer. The motion passed unanimously. A motion to appoint Officer Richard Beighley as Acting Chief of Police effective June 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2021 was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

2021 Street Project Bids: The low bid for the Bank Avenue and Geiger Avenue street project was \$153,185.00, submitted by Berg Construction. Council had a brief discussion on the cost as it is over the budgeted amount of \$120,800.00. The Streets/Infrastructure/Parks Committee will meet on June 8, 2021 and give a recommendation to Council at the next meeting.

Lancaster EMS Request: The request for funding from Lancaster EMS was tabled.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND MONTHLY BILLS-May 31, 2021: Council received the financial report and the bills for May, 2021. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument that the financial report be received and the monthly bills for May in the amount of \$73,611.17 be ratified. The vote was taken and the motion to ratify was approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: The Calls for Service report was reviewed by Council. Officer Rick Beighley gave an update on Department activities.

ZONING OFFICER REPORT: Council accepted the report as submitted.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The minutes of the May 17, 2021 meeting were reviewed. The Commission is actively working on reviewing the Fritz Avenue Subdivision Plan as well as exploring the possibility of a regional Comprehensive Plan.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY: The minutes of the May 19, 2021 meeting were provided for review. Councilman Aument gave an update on the Larkspur well. The Manager reported that the credit card payment system for water/sewer payments is being used by residents.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Bledsoe presented a letter from Dan and Krista Neff in regard to purchasing property that the borough currently owns on Groff Road in Eden Township.

The Neff's property borders the Borough's property. The Manager will be in contact with Dan and Krista Neff.

A motion to rescind the Declaration of Emergency enacted during the pandemic was made by Councilman Aument and seconded by Councilman Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:28 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for personnel issues regarding the police department. Councilwoman Noel offered that motion and Councilman Aument seconded the motion. The motion to enter into Executive Session passed unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: At 8:50 PM, Council returned to Regular Session.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:51 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Hastings offered that motion with Councilman Braightmeyer seconding. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott E. Peiffer
Borough Manager/Secretary