

BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE – COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 1, 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 Rick Aument, Susan Noel, Mike Sullenberger, Brian Braightmeyer and Diane Hastings. Borough Manager Scott Peiffer and Officer Rick Beighley were also in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Council President Joy Kemper thanked the Quarryville Borough Police Foundation for their dedication to providing financial assistance to purchase items for the department. Several members of the Police Foundation were in attendance.

Representatives from Good's Store were in attendance to give Council an update on their expansion plans. Dwight Wagner, commercial real estate broker, Ken Burkholder, President of Good's Store, Steve Gergely, Harbor Engineering, and Richard Hoover, Hoover Building Specialists were in attendance. Plans of the expansion were shown to Council and the reasons for the need for rezoning areas of R-3 along Fifth Street to C-1 were explained. This presentation was to inform Council of the anticipated rezoning request.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING – OCTOBER 4, 2021: It was moved by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilman Aument that the minutes of the October 4, 2021 Regular Meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – WORK SESSION – OCTOBER 11, 2021: It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilwoman Noel that the minutes of the October 11, 2021 Work Session be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Fire Police Request: A motion to approve a request for Fire Police for assistance in traffic control for a walk-through Nativity event at Huffnagle Park on December 23, 2021 from 6:30-8:30 PM was made by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer. The motion passed unanimously. The request was from Solanco Neighborhood Ministries.

Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community (QPRC) LOC Reduction Request: A motion to approve the line of credit reduction request #7 from QPRC Great Rock Phase 3 in the amount of \$96,015.70 was made by Councilman Aument and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer. The motion passed unanimously. This will leave a balance of \$422,045.03 in the line of credit.

West Fourth Street Truck Restriction Traffic Study: A motion to have ARRO Consulting complete a traffic study on the West Fourth Street/South Church Street intersection for truck length restrictions on West Fourth Street at a cost of \$2,100.00 was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2021-06: This resolution supports the application for funding the West State Street/West Fourth Street Intersection upgrade. The application is for \$1,000,000.00 from the PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF). A motion to pass Resolution 2021-06 was made by Councilwoman Noel and seconded by Councilwoman Hastings. The motion passed unanimously.

2022 Meeting Schedule: The 2022 public meeting schedule was reviewed by Council and will be approved at the December 6, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

East Drumore Township Police Services Agreement: The proposed agreement from the October 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting was rejected by Townsedge Associates/East Drumore Township. They counter offered an annual rate of \$18,000.00 with no increase for 5 years. A motion to set the annual rate for the agreement at \$18,000.00 with an annual review of the rate was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

2022 Tentative Budget: A motion to advertise the proposed 2022 budget which includes a .25 mil property tax increase was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

Borough Facebook Page: Council was provided information on the creation of a Borough Facebook page. The page would be for information only and would not receive comments. The page would be administered by Borough staff with content reviewed by the Borough Manager. A motion to create a Borough Facebook page known as "Quarryville Borough Life", was made by Councilman Braightmeyer and seconded by Councilwoman Noel. The motion passed unanimously.

Beards For Brothers Campaign: Officer Rick Beighley presented information on the Beards for Brothers Campaign held annually during the month of November to assist police, fire or EMS families coping with cancer. A motion to allow the Borough's officers to participate in the Campaign was made by Councilman Sullenberger and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed unanimously.

Fritz Avenue Sewer Module Approval: The approval was tabled due to the Lancaster County Planning Commission review of the project not being received to date.

General Fund Savings Transfer to Capital Reserve: A motion to transfer \$300,000.00 from General Fund Savings to Capital Reserve Savings was made by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Sullenberger. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AND MONTHLY BILLS – OCTOBER 31, 2021: Council received the financial report and the bills for October 2021. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Braightmeyer that the financial report be received and the monthly bills for October in the amount of \$215,700.54 be ratified. The motion was approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Council received the Police Department Report of Calls for Service for October 2021. Officer Rick Beighley reviewed the commentary for the month and highlighted major calls.

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

PLANNING COMMISSION: The October 18, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting minutes were reviewed by Commission Chairperson Hastings. She reported that our Planning Commission will be meeting with Christiana Borough Planning Commission in the future for cooperating on creating a comprehensive plan in conjunction with the Lancaster County Planning Commission's Places 2040 as part of the Southern Regional Comprehensive Plan.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY: The minutes of the October 19, 2021 meeting were reviewed by Council. The Borough Manager highlighted points on the well development, the Pennsylvania America Water Agreement and the 2022 water rate increase.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:47 PM Council President Joy Kemper called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for a Personnel Issue regarding hiring a Police Chief. Councilwoman Noel offered that motion and Councilman Aument seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: At 9:06 PM, Council returned to Regular Session.

OLD BUSINESS: A motion to hire Rick Beighley as Quarryville Borough Chief of Police with a starting date of December 24, 2021 at an annual salary of \$84,000.00, receive five (5) weeks of vacation, be covered under civil service and receive acting chief pay until December 24, 2021, was made by Councilman Sullenberger and seconded by Councilman Aument. The motion passed with Councilman Braightmeyer opposed. Councilman Braightmeyer made a public statement explaining his opposition. He was not opposed to Rick Beighley personally but was opposed to the application process being restricted to the Borough Police Department and not open to other possible applicants.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: At 9:10 PM, Council President Kemper called for a motion to adjourn. It was moved by Councilwoman Hastings and seconded by Councilman Aument that the meeting be adjourned. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Peiffer
Borough Manager