

## MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MARCH 27, 2017

Council President Ricki Hastings opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Council Members presented were Tom Swisher, Matt Crytzer, Don Rehner, Ron Gallagher, Sean McCalmont; Mayor James Swartz and Superintendent Ken Boroski. Treasurer Rich Hill was absent.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

MINUTES- Motion was made by Tom Swisher to approve the February 27 and March 6, 2017, Regular Council Meeting Minutes. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Matt Crytzer. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT- The Mayor had nothing to report at this time. The Mayor stated that he is waiting for a call back from the Railroad on the 7<sup>th</sup> street tunnel.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS- Debbie Ippolito was present to discuss problems she is having with her neighbor with regards to running water on to her property that borders the Freeport Community Park. She also commented her neighbor is building a shed on Community Park property. She was told that the issue is a civil matter and the Borough cannot get involved. John Haven, Supervisor from Buffalo Twp. was present to let Council know of a meeting that will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at the Buffalo Municipal Building concerning the Buffalo Twp. Trail, they will start paving from Sarver to Freeport, asking if the Borough could attend the meeting. Marcie Craft, Children's Pastor from the Evangel Heights was present to ask Council permission to use the ball field to hold a free community event time in September. Motion was made by Don Rehner to allow Evangel Heights to use the ball field on Saturday, September 23, 2017 and to be able to set up Friday, September 22, 2017. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gallagher. Motion carried. Chris Brewer from Dinsmore Law Firm was present to discuss with Council maybe the need to help in financing the Sewage Project; no discussion was made by Council.

PUBLIC WORKS the Penn Dot paving of 128 of State Highways is set for this year, advertisement for the bids for the paving project will start in June.

PUBLIC SAFETY- Don Rehner reported that the total cost for the security cameras for the Borough Building and Riverfront Park would be \$3,065.00, Renaissance would pay \$2,500.00, leaving the Borough to pay \$575.39. Motion was made by Tom Swisher to purchase the security cameras pending review of placement and one internet drop. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sean McCalmont. Motion carried.

PARKS, RECREATION & COMMUNITY- The deadline for the boat dock application to be mailed back to the Borough is April 15, 2017. Motion was made by Tom Swisher to accept the DCNR Agreement for the Park Study. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Mazurowski. Motion carried. Council President Ricki Hastings is coordinating a Community Clean Up Day for April 23, 2017 and asking for volunteers to help in going around town cleaning up.

FINANCE- 40 delinquent accounts were posted on March 20, 2017, 26 accounts have not paid as of March 27, 2017. 48 hour postings will be posted Wednesday, March 29, 2017. Termination date is

scheduled for March 31, 2017. The Borough received \$1,781.99 from Sharp Collections for the month of February in payments made to delinquent income tax accounts.

PROPERTY & ORDINANCE- Nothing to report at this time.

PERSONNEL- Council President Ricki Hastings reminded Council the Ethics Forms need to be turn in to the Borough Secretary. Motion was made by Don Rehner to send Mayor Swartz and Council President Ricki Hastings to the PSAB Annual Conference May 7<sup>th</sup> thru May 10<sup>th</sup>, in Hershey, PA. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gallagher. Motion carried. Council will start interviews for Part-Time Police Officers and a Part-Time Administrative Assistant for 3 days a week. Mayor Swartz and Council President Hastings attended the Armstrong County Association of Boroughs dinner that was held on Thursday, March 23, 2017 in Apollo Borough, the speaker was Joe Dubovi from Penn Dot.

Council called for Executive Session at 8:30 P.M. for Personnel

Council returned from Executive Session at 8:42 P.M.

Council President Ricki Hastings reported that no straw votes and no action were taken.

Motion was made by Don Rehner and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Gallagher at 8:43 P.M. to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.