

MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTOURSVILLE

April 19, 2010

The regular meeting of the Montoursville Borough Council was called to order by Council President Robert Brobson at 7 PM, with the following answering roll call: Eugene Boyles, Kim DiRocco, Donald Konkle, Ronald Shearer, and Gary Marshall. Also attending were Mayor John Dorin, Police Chief Dan Strailey, Zoning Officer/Code Official Rodney Heindel, Acting Solicitor Randall Sees, Street/Water Commissioner Ronald Smith, Chief Water Operator Ronald Shearer II, and Mr. Brobson introduced new Borough Secretary / Treasurer, Lenora Georges.

The Pledge of Allegiance was observed. Mayor Dorin introduced Hunter Konkle, an eleventh grader, who wished to be a Junior Council person. This position has not been active since 2005. Kim DiRocco moved and Ronald Shearer seconded to appoint Hunter Konkle as stated. Motion passed with Mr. Donald Konkle abstaining. Mayor Dorin conducted the swearing in.

The minutes of the April 5th meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mr. Shearer and carried. It was noted at the end of this meeting the minutes did not include a motion to hold one meeting per month beginning in May and ending in August. The Council has the right to reinstate the 2nd monthly meeting when needed per the Solicitor.

Public Comment

Mrs. Marian Harris questioned the status of the Senior Center committee's plan to travel to East Lycoming/Muncy YMCA. Mr. Shearer noted there is a Recreation Committee meeting Tuesday evening and the matter can be scheduled then.

Mrs. Joan Campbell asked about the process of adding two additional fields in Indian Park. In November 2009, it was voted to close the Montoursville Municipal pool because of the prohibited amount of costs and revenues generated. There was further discussion regarding the matter.

Mr. Gayne Campbell requested more details on the closing of the pool. The bid for repairs was \$600,000 and DCNR had granted \$125,000 with the Borough required to raise matching funds. It was not feasible to pursue the rehabilitation of the pool.

CDBG

Jamie Shrawder, SEDA-COG, discussed the need to act on 2006 Budget changes proposed to Council. This would include moving 2006 and 2007 remaining pool project monies to the proposed Senior Citizen Center. Mrs. Shrawder announced the 2009 and 2010 Budgets can remain and the 2010 State grant has been awarded with an 8% increase in funding. Mr. Marshall moved, Kim DiRocco seconded, unanimously motion carried. Mrs. Shrawder

announced SEDA-COG training including web site maintenance for new members of Council will be scheduled. There will also be a training for CDBG requirements.

Mr. Boyles presented the ‘Braille Trail’ plaque that will require a portion of the SEDA-COG funds and there will be some monies for sidewalk handicap curb cuts.

Old Business

It was moved by Mr. Boyles and seconded and Mr. Konkle to authorize Council President Brobson to sign the agreement to assign a member of the Borough’s administrative staff to be the HIPPA representative. Motion carried.

A sidewalk variance request was presented by Mr. Aubrey Alexander to take out grass and concrete at their location on Broad Street then pave to match existing areas. The business will reimburse the Borough for sidewalk line painting. Mr. Boyles moved to accept the variance with Mrs. DiRocco seconding. Motion passed.

Proposal was made by Mr. Boyles to advertise ‘Point of Information’ on May 3, 2010’s Public Hearing of the Rental Ordinance. Mr. Marshall moved to advertise and Mr. Shearer seconded. Motion passed.

No Old Business from Mayor Dorin and Chief Strailey.

Mr. Heindel reported on the Conditional Use of the old antiques store front being restored from commercial to residential rental purposes. The Planning Commission approved the improvements.

Mr. Smith reported that two major leaks to the water main were repaired. A third leak is still under investigation with daily use monitored. The pump drive is installed at Well #3. Indian Park has been mowed twice by new contractor – the entire park is mowed in one day.

Mr. Smith asked for permission for disposal of the small John Deere lawn mower that is 15 to 18 years old. Mr. Konkle moved for disposal. Upon discussion, motion was amended by Mr. Konkle to include disposal of generator. Mr. Boyles seconded. Motion passed.

New Business

The Highway bids were received and opened:

Eastern Industries	\$ 148,074.00	Bond: CNA Surety – 10%
HRI Inc	\$ 121,737.40	Bond: Liberty Mutual – 10%

Mr. Boyles moved to approve HRI Inc as low bidder and reported that amount awarded was less than the engineering estimate. Mr. Shearer seconded and motion passed. Mr. Konkle noted that the project does not require an escrowed amount.

Recreation

Mr. Boyles moved to approved Event Permit 2010-13 that was submitted in error with vendors. It was amended to specific that items are on display – not sold for profit. Mr. Konkle seconded and the motion passed.

Zoning - Mr. Heindel had no report.

Mayor Dorin had no report.

Chief Strailey reported the DARE Fair (Event Permit 2010-18) will be held along Broad Street on May 8th. Permit is pending Penn DOT approval. Mr. Shearer moved for Council approval with Mr. Marshall's second – motion passed.

Chief Strailey reported a grant of \$10,000 from PA Council of Crime & Delinquency for police car digital camera to ensure court & officer safety. There is no matching required from the Borough. Mr. Konkle moved to approve the application, Mr. Boyles seconded. Motion passed.

Streets & Water

Mr. Smith reported that there are eight catch basins to rebuild. The stone in Reservoir # 1 needs replaced.

Mr. Boyles reported that an outstanding invoice to a contractor for piping remains unpaid. He requested permission to turn the amount of \$15,607.30 over to the Solicitor for collection. Mr. Konkle moved to grant collection to our solicitor, Mr. Shearer seconded. Motion passed.

Solicitor – Mr. Randall Sees had no report.

Public Comment

Mrs. Donna Pongrat asked for discussion on a decision to work with the LCSWA. Mr. Boyles said there is no final decision.

Mrs. Marian Harris stated that the Indian Park bathrooms would be opened this week. There is still a portable potty at the girl's softball field.

Council President Mr. Brobson – no report

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Mr. Marshall announced his inability to attend Recreation Board meetings for the next five months. Mr. Brobson agreed to take his place.

Mr. Hunter Konkle thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve as Junior Council Person.

Next Council meeting is Monday, May 3rd, 2010 at 7 PM. Mr. Marshall reminded the Council that beginning in May there will be one Council meeting per month.

Mr. Boyles moved to adjourn and Mrs. DiRocco seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenora G Georges, Borough Secretary / Treasurer