

MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTOURSVILLE

July 18, 2011

The regular meeting of the Montoursville Borough Council was called to order by Council President Robert Brobson at 7:00 PM, with the following answering roll call: Donald Konkle, Kim DiRocco, Eugene Boyles, Robert Brobson, Ronald Shearer, and Gary Marshall.

Absent – Mayor John Dorin, Chief Dan Strailey and Hunter Konkle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

President Robert Brobson announced that an executive session took place prior to the council meeting to discuss personnel & legal issues.

VISITOR AND PUBLIC COMMENT – None at this time

Recognition of Military Veterans – None at this time.

TREASURERS REPORT – None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS –

Chief of Police –

Council President, Mr. Robert Brobson stated 2 candidates from within the boroughs police department were interviewed for Chief of Police position. Mayor John Dorin also had the opportunity to interview each candidate. The Personnel Committee unanimously recommended Officer Jeffrey Gyurina to fill the position.

Motion by Mr. Shearer to promote Officer Jeffrey Gyurina as Police Chief effective September 1st, 2011 with a one year probation period and certain conditions to be discussed, second by Mr. Boyles. The motion carried.

Water Rates –

Council President, Mr. Brobson stated the probability of cutting the water rates an additional 25% is being considered.

OLD BUSINESS –

Seitel, Inc Requesting Permission to Conduct Vibration Testing in Indian Park –

Council President, Mr. Brobson stated that Seitel, Inc. has requested permission to do vibration testing in Indian Park and the third ward of the Borough primarily. Council member, Mr. Eugene Boyles went on to discuss the advantages of doing this testing. He then went on to say that a decision will be not be made tonight however a decision should be made at the next council meeting to allow Solicitor Everett's Law Office to review the proposal. A discussion occurred between council and the audience regarding the advantages of doing this testing.

PLANNING & ZONING – Nothing at this time.

RECREATION – Nothing at this time.

STREETS AND WATER –

Street/Water Commissioner, Mr. Ron Smith discussed the major water main break on Broad Street. The Borough lost approximately 790,000 gallons of water before we were aware of the leak. He stated the Microtel system did not work properly to alert water operators of the emergency. The hole in the pipe was the size of a basketball in the 8 inch main. Only 4 customers realized a temporary water outage. A discussion then ensued among council members as to the kind of pipe that broke and the priority in replacing all of this kind of pipe as quickly as possible. Also, on the same day as the water main break, the water operators had to freeze a water line to put in a curb stop at Dr. Chianelli's office.

POLICE CHIEF – Nothing at this time

COUNCILPERSONS – Nothing at this time

SOLICITOR – Nothing at this time

PENDING MATTERS/COUNCIL PRESIDENT – Nothing at this time

COORESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Next council meeting will be August 1, 2011 7:00 PM.

VISITOR AND PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Resident, Mr. Chris King stated he doesn't want anyone making decisions on vibration testing without letting the public know and protecting our water supply first and foremost. Council agrees.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm on a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mr. Konkle and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Boyles, Assistant Borough Secretary