

MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF MONTOURSVILLE

September 16, 2011

The special meeting of the Montoursville Borough Council was called to order by Council President Robert Brobson at 8:00 AM, with the following answering roll call: Donald Konkle, Eugene Boyles, Robert Brobson, and Ronald Shearer, Gary Marshall; Late – Kim DiRocco

The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

**VISITOR AND PUBLIC COMMENT** – Nothing at this time

**TREASURERS REPORT** – Nothing at this time

**NEW BUSINESS** –

**Flood & Clean Up** – Council President, Mr. Robert Brobson introduced the Emergency Management Coordinator, Mr. Jess Hackenburg and asked if he would provide a brief early assessment of the flood, damages & clean up. EMC, Mr. Hackenburg briefed council on the flooding. He stated that they are about 95% cleaned up. He has started an early assessment, he's taken photographs showing the various damages, he's got initial estimates but still speaking with a few residents. He was the first to submit to the County Planning and Emergency Management his damage assessments for both residential and business. There were approximately 25 businesses and 70 residences that received some damage as a result of flooding. Rough estimates for residences are in excess of \$9,000,000.00 in damage and businesses in excess of \$6,000,000.00. He stated the cooperation he received was excellent. The initial estimate for borough owned property damaged in the flooding is \$1,500,000.00. Currently he has a total of 10 residences that are considered 100% destroyed and a few at 91% majorly destroyed. Council President, Mr. Brobson thanked EMC, Mr. Hackenburg on behalf of council for doing an outstanding job. He stated, as usual, Mr. Hackenburg did a very thorough and great job for the borough. He also wanted to commend the Police Department, Fire Department, & Water and Streets Department for all the work that they have done to make this such a successful cleanup and help restore the borough back to some normalcy. Mr. Hackenburg stated that it was through a lot of cooperation and wanted to thank everyone for their cooperation. A discussion took place regarding Our Lady of Lourdes Church and the services they provided to the flood victims. All of Montoursville Borough Council and Mayor Dorin wanted to express their thanks and gratitude to Our Lady of Lourdes for doing a terrific job and that it was a wonderful sight to see.

**Motion** by Mr. Shearer to discontinue flood trash & debris cleanup on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> being paid for by Montoursville Borough, second by Mr. Boyles. The motion carried.

Chief of Police, Jeffrey Gyurina gave a report to council regarding the flood. Council President, Mr. Brobson and Mayor Dorin thanked the Chief for a fine job.

Street and Water Commissioner, Mr. Ronald Smith gave a report to council about several issues with the water system that arose due to the flooding. He stated there had been a water boil advisory and a restriction on water usage. He also stated the streets, park and park pavilions have been cleaned up for the most part. He said that most of the issues that arose have now been taken care of.

Once again, Montoursville Borough Council gave a "thank you" to all of the Emergency Management Volunteers, Volunteer Firefighters, Police, and Street/Water Departments for their efforts during this recent flooding.

**CORESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** –

Next council meeting will be Monday, October 3rd, 2011 7:00 PM.

**VISITOR AND PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Nothing at this time

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 am on a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mr. Shearer and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ginny Gardner, Borough Secretary