

MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF MONTOURSVILLE

February 16, 2009

The regular meeting of the Montoursville Borough Council was called to order by Council President Robert Gehr at 7:00 PM, with the following answering roll call: Eugene Boyles, Marian Harris, Donald Konkle, Kathie Hunter and Ronald Shearer. Also attending were Mayor John Dorin, Police Chief Dan Strailey, and Solicitor Garth Everett.

The Pledge of Allegiance was observed. The minutes of the February 2nd meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Boyles and carried.

The Council President read a brief statement in regard to the status of the Police Chief's contract, informing those in attendance that no action regarding the Chief's contract will be taken this evening, and that Council is limited in their discussion concerning personnel matters. Approximately seventy persons were in attendance. More than a dozen people spoke endorsing the Chief's retention, and complimenting him on his past performance, knowledge, dedication, and commitment to the Borough and youth through the DARE and SRO programs.

Resolution 2009-03 - A Resolution supporting the Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy's application for funds to develop a rivers conservation plan for Loyalsock Creek's watershed - Renee Carey, Executive Director, Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservancy reviewed the resolution with council, and asked that council support the resolution. On a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mrs. Hunter and carried, Council adopted the resolution and authorized a letter of support be sent to the Conservancy.

It was the consensus of Council to approve a draft brochure for the Pool Fund-raiser. It was noted that the brochures would be mailed in March.

Scouts from Pack # 21 were in attendance to observe a public meeting earning credits for their communications badge.

It was the consensus of Council that the Highway Committee meet to discuss a request from John Savoy & Son, Inc. to vacate Charles Street.

The Solicitor reported that an ordinance authorizing the vacation of a portion of Eck Alley along the Savoy property will be advertised for the March 2nd meeting.

It was the consensus of Council to have both the Council Solicitor and the Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor review the enforcement aspect of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment.

Resolution 2009-02 - Appointing PSAB as Trustee for the Non-uniformed Union Pension Plan. On a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mr. Konkle and carried, Council adopted resolution 2009-02.

Mayor Dorin reported that the total cost to light the Holiday Tree was \$3,200.

Chief Strailey reported that the concrete block wall enclosing the evidence room has been completed.

The Council President announced that there would be an executive session after the regular Council meeting regarding personnel and that Council would not need to reconvene.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM on a motion by Mr. Boyles, seconded by Mrs. Hunter and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Holt, Secretary/Treasurer