

MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
June 11, 2018

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, June 11, 2018, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Mountville Borough Hall, 21 East Main Street, Mountville, PA.

The following Council members were present: Richard D. Spiegel, Harry L. Morgan, Jesse Hersh, Council President Lenny D. Heisey, Christine D. Eshleman and Michael A. Trimble. Council member Charlie Thomas was absent. Also attending were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Mark G. Pugliese, I, Mountville Fire Company #1 Chief Dean R. Gantz, Jr., Mayor Philip S. Kresge, Zoning Officer Sam Meckley and Pamela J. Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Lenny Heisey who gave an invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Heisey welcomed those in attendance and reminded everyone that if they wish to speak, they must be recognized and state their name, address and concern or comments.

L. Heisey recognized Jonah Estep, 21 West Main Street who expressed his concern regarding the increase of traffic on Cherry Road believed to be created by the new restaurant facility, Square Mile Public House. J. Estep reported that the owner is trying to make plans for staff to park at St. Paul's UM Church as street parking is minimal.

R. Spiegel moved to accept the May 14, 2018 minutes as presented. H. Morgan seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

M. Trimble moved to accept the financial report and disbursements as presented. R. Spiegel seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports

Public Safety – Fire/Police

Chair R. Spiegel took this opportunity to publicly thank Officer Hartranft for his service and his public participation. Chief M. Pugliese reviewed the favorable response from the mother of a young child who was initially concerned that a police officer was approaching their group in the park, and consequently was pleased to spend time shooting basketball and investigating the police car with Officer Hartranft.

Chief M. Pugliese reviewed the May report which had 195 calls for service, 33 of those were reportable. There were two accidents, nine citations and two parking tickets issued.

L. Heisey asked that the police spend some more time patrolling the boat at the community playground as there were several inappropriate things inside which prevented the Mountville Elementary students from enjoying the feature while attending a picnic to celebrate the end of the school year.

R. Spiegel asked if there any new concerning trends locally.

Chief D. Gantz reviewed the May 2018 Fire Company Report which included 30 calls for the month bringing the total to 139 for the year.

Chief Gantz reported that one burn permit was issued. R. Spiegel thanked the fire company for the prompt response time in issuing the permits.

The fund drive is currently about \$26,000. C. Eshleman asked what the amount was for the 2017 fund drive. The total was \$47,164.00.

R. Spiegel reported that Council has received a request to offset the cost of application for the Safer Grant, as has been done in the past. Chair Spiegel asked if there is any indication of the use of the funds if granted. Chief Gantz said the funds would be for continuing enrollment efforts and other related items. The application fee will be higher this year as all five Hempfield School District Volunteer Fire Companies are participating. R. Spiegel moved to pay the application fee of \$1,350.00. H. Morgan seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Safety – Planning/Zoning

Chair J. Hersh reported on two addresses with junked vehicles, 2 East Main Street and 333 East Main Street.

S. Meckley had nothing further to report regarding the May 21, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting.

A minor storm water management plan was submitted for 157 North Church Street by applicant Mike Hess. This application for water management can be treated as part of the overall permit application process with Council's approval. M. Trimble moved to conditionally accept upon the successful execution of the permit process. C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried. R. Spiegel asked that a sample of this new procedure be presented to Council.

Discussion followed regarding the proposed improvements to 26 – 28 West Hoover Street. S. Meckley introduced Scott Hain of David Miller/Associates who reviewed the proposed plan to construct a new duplex. A Minor Storm Water Management Plan is required. Two driveways entering from W. Hoover Street are to be added. The Mountville Planning Commission has had discussion and recommendations regarding the plan. R. Spiegel inquired about the \$500 fee in lieu of ADA ramps at the intersection of Pine Street and W. Hoover Street. H. Morgan stated that the Planning Commission felt that the ADA ramps would create more safety concerns at this time. M. Trimble asked if the intent of the duplex would be rental units.

At this time, President Heisey entertained a motion to approve the plan. C. Eshleman moved to approve the plan subject to the stipulations of the letter from Rettew and to approve all waivers and modifications. J. Hersh seconded the motion, L. Heisey recused himself from the vote, Council was in accord and the motion carried. Scott Hain requested a signature to approve the Planning Module Exemption Application for the project. J. Hersh signed the document on behalf of Mountville Borough and the document was subsequently sent to David Miller/Associates to be filed with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

General Government

Chair M. Trimble addressed a request that was made to use the Borough Hall for a political candidate's "Town Hall" event. M. Trimble asked if Council should adopt a policy for use of the Hall. Mayor Kresge stated that it has always been policy that the Borough Hall was used only for Borough business, whether that would be Council meetings, Zoning Hearings, Planning Commission Meetings, Authority Meetings or any other meetings held under the direction of Borough Council. This policy should remain in place.

M. Trimble reported that at the June 25, 2018 meeting, Kara Kalupson will attend for a Stormwater Management Education Program.

P. Kresge stated that he was unaware that the two Borough pickup trucks did not have running boards, and after traveling to a conference today, saw a need to have those in place. CarMic would be willing to install these running boards on each truck at a cost of \$279.00 per truck. M. Trimble moved to retrofit both trucks at a cost not to exceed \$600.00. H. Morgan seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

P. Kresge also noted that the wording of door hangers used to alert residents that they must maintain and control weed and grass height and to notify residents that ice/snow needs to be removed from sidewalks is rather harsh. P. Kresge will be given copies of the full ordinances so that he can reword the content of the door hangers. The rephrasing will be available for Council to review at the June 25, 2018 meeting.

Public Works – Streets

In the absence of Chair C. Thomas, H. Morgan noted that proposed Ordinance #291 sets speed limits at 15 mph on the entire lengths of Cherry Road, Locust Road, Maple Street, Oak Road, South Lemon Street and Spruce Road. The Ordinance was advertised in a timely matter by the Borough Solicitor. H. Morgan moved to adopt Ordinance #291 as presented, M. Trimble seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

A two year contract with Signal Service, Inc. for maintenance of the Borough traffic signals in the amount of \$1,275.00 has been received. H. Morgan moved to accept the contract as received, R. Spiegel seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Additional barriers for closing streets in emergency situations are needed. H. Morgan moved to purchase five additional barriers at a cost of \$156.00 each. C. Eshleman and R. Spiegel simultaneously seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

The Borough's street cleaning has most recently been contracted with Reilly Street Sweeping and they have again this spring completed the first of two yearly sweepings. There was discussion that through an inter-municipal agreement with East Lampeter Township the hourly rate for the sweeper would be a lower amount. President Heisey asked Solicitor Brad Zuke to determine if this could be construed as a conflict of interest as Street Chair Charlie Thomas is also Public Works Director for East Lampeter Township. Upon review, B. Zuke addressed the situation with East Lampeter Township Solicitor Steve

Kraybill. This is a conflict that should be managed with appropriate procedures and precautions so that all actions are transparent. The solicitors recommend that B. Zuke place a legal advertisement soliciting bids for street sweeping. If done so, C. Thomas would recuse himself from discussion and vote. The cost to place the advertisement would be approximately \$100.00 with fees for the solicitor's work unknown. The current hourly rate quoted by East Lampeter is \$32.00 less than other competitors. This information will be taken into consideration prior to the second street cleaning in the fall of 2018.

P. Kresge reported that he received another concerned call regarding the traffic signal issue at Manor and Main Streets.

Public Works – Health/Sanitation

Chair H. Morgan had nothing new to report.

Culture & Recreation

Chair C. Eshleman reported that another inter-municipal agreement with the Hempfield Area Recreation Commission (HARC) has been received for review. It would be in the Borough's best interest to approve if appropriate.

Stephanie Lavenberg, Mountville's HARC representative, also reported that the new agreement should now fill all expectations of all of the municipalities involved.

At this time, Jonathan Shelor was recognized. J. Shelor reported that his Eagle Scout Project, planting milkweed and other monarch butterfly sustainable plantings, has been completed at Grubb Lake. With the approval of Public Works Supervisor Scott Haas, Mayor Kresge signed the appropriate paperwork stating that the project has been successfully completed. J. Shelor was thanked for his time and completion of the project.

Special Committee Reports

Borough Hall Renovations Committee

There is nothing new to report at this time. C. Eshleman noted that she and P. Mitchell had discussed the availability of a feasibility study. Mayor Kresge will pursue this prior to the next meeting.

Personnel Committee

There is nothing new to report at this time.

Old Business

A meeting will be scheduled with Joe Iacono and the Mayor if possible to consider Emergency Management updates.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kresge attended the PSAB Conference at Hershey today and found it very informative.

Mayor Kresge thanked everyone for their efforts to make the Memorial Day Parade successful and also a thank you to Scott Haas for driving the Borough truck in the parade.

At this time, L. Heisey recognized Manual Torres, 204 North Church Street, who attended the meeting because of concerns regarding the most recent heavy rainfall that was channeled through the Community Park into his yard along with his neighbor's yard. Public Works Foreman, S. Haas will investigate the condition of the existing swale with the Borough engineer.

Karl Smith, 234 Froelich Avenue, asked if there is any new information regarding the repair of the VFW Clock. S. Haas will be asked to contact the party who is handling the repair for an update.

Secretary's Report

P. Mitchell asked Council to let her know if they plan to attend the June 27, 2018 Lancaster County Borough's Association Dinner.

P. Mitchell reported that there are currently 48 members enrolled in the E-Mail Alert System and that upcoming events such as the Memorial Day Parade, street cleaning, etc. have been sent as well as being posted to the Borough Website.

At 8:30 p.m. President L. Heisey called for an Executive Session to discuss a personnel concern.

Council reconvened at 8:36 p.m. With no further business, M. Trimble moved to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Mitchell
Secretary/Treasurer

Gallery:

Jonah Estep
Matthew Harding
Stephanie Lavenberg
Steve Mitchell
Jonathan Shelor
Karl Smith