

MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 25, 2018

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, June 25, 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, Jesse Hersh, Council President Lenny D. Heisey, Christine D. Eshleman, Michael A. Trimble and Charlie H. Thomas. Council member Harry L. Morgan was absent. Also attending were Kara Kalupson of Rettew Associates, Rebecca Sollenberger, 36<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District Director for Ryan Aument, West Hempfield Township Police Sergeant Russell Geier, Mayor Philip S. Kresge and Pamela J. Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Lenny Heisey who welcomed the guests in the gallery.

R. Spiegel moved to accept the June 11, 2018 minutes as presented. C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

At this time, Kara Kalupson began her informational presentation on Stormwater Management. Included in the discussion was the planned retrofitting of the storm basin in Spring Hill Park. There may be funding available through DEP grants. R. Spiegel asked how reductions are gauged. K. Kalupson stated improvement of the water quality is not a consideration for successful reduction. M. Trimble and Public Works Foreman Scott Haas will meet with K. Kalupson to bring S. Haas up to date on the Borough Stormwater Management Program. There are two projects identified by DEP that will need to be prioritized. The information sheet that was part of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### Public Safety – Police/Fire

Chair R. Spiegel had nothing new to report. West Hempfield Township Police Sergeant R. Geier did not have anything new to report and there were no members of the Fire Company in attendance.

R. Spiegel stated that planning for the rededication of the Community Clock should begin and asked Council to consider if there would be a best time to hold the event. P. Kresge suggested that resident participation may be lower than expected but others feel that the clock is a significant part of the history of Mountville and that residents would want the opportunity to attend.

Mayor Kresge asked Sgt. Geier if West Hempfield Township Police were gearing up for the fireworks display on June 30, 2018. As Sgt. Geier did not have that information available, the secretary was asked to confirm that both the Police Department and the Mountville Fire Company were aware of the planned event.

#### Public Safety – Planning/Zoning

Chair J. Hersh had nothing new to report at this time. L. Heisey reported that he was in contact with Zoning Officer Sam Meckley and Solicitor Brad Zuke regarding an inoperable vehicle located at 333 East Main Street. A Notice of Violation will be issued allowing fifteen days to comply. After 15 days, the Borough may have the vehicle towed and impounded. After impounding, it would be released through the tow company to the owner.

P. Kresge reported that he is working on the improvements to junked vehicle and high vegetation door hangers.

## General Government

Chair M. Trimble noted that storm water improvements will be considered when planning the 2019 General Budget.

## Public Works – Streets

Chair C. Thomas noted that the proposal from a new street sweeping company stated that there are 7.3 Borough streets to be cleaned as well as 2.99 miles of PennDot streets. There currently isn't a contract with PennDot for reimbursement of streets that the Borough has been cleaning for a number of years. C. Thomas recommends that the Borough discontinue the cleaning practice unless PennDot is willing to enter a contract for reimbursement of services. More information will be made available at the meeting of July 9, 2018.

C. Thomas asked if either of the Public Works employees are licensed to use weed killers. While no one on Council is sure, it is not likely. The staff will research the means to license at least one employee if deemed necessary.

## Public Works – Health/Sanitation

In the absence of Chair H. Morgan, there was nothing new to report.

## Culture & Recreation

Chair C. Eshleman reported that she has been in contact with Mountville Lion Club President Eric Weaver who expressed the club's interest in replacing some of the aged and worn park benches throughout the Borough.

## **Special Committee Reports**

### Borough Hall Renovations Committee

P. Kresge provided sketches to all of Council and other interested parties in the gallery of the revisions to the Borough offices he and C. Eshleman have worked on. P. Kresge asked for Council's consideration and thoughts. P. Kresge and C. Eshleman recommend having some contractors review the proposal for feasibility and estimates of costs.

### Personnel Committee

There was nothing new to report from the Committee.

At this time, L. Heisey recognized Rebecca Sollenberger who is the District Director for Senator Ryan Aument. Rebecca reminded Council that their staff is willing to help with any concerns including the possibility of contracting with PennDot for street sweeping, and the proposed town clock rededication as well as any other needs that may arise.

## Old Business

There was no old business for discussion at this time.

## Mayor's Report

Mayor Kresge had nothing further to report.

## Secretary's Report

There was nothing new to report from the Secretary.

## Miscellaneous

Council President L. Heisey stated that he has concerns that there are some issues being addressed by Council without benefit of time to review. Following some discussion among all Council members present, L. Heisey made the following motion: Any items requiring Council action at a meeting shall be provided for review no later than 11:00 a.m. of the Thursday preceding that meeting. C. Eshleman and J. Hersh seconded the motion in unison, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

M. Trimble remarked that he had observed a handicap ramp being used at the Vision of Hope Church, 130 East Main Street, which he felt was inadequately installed as it does not appear to be attached to anything. This concern will be addressed with the Borough Zoning Officer.

With no further business, L. Heisey entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Mitchell  
Secretary/Treasurer

## Gallery:

Herb Landau, LNP  
Steve Mitchell