

MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 24, 2018

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, September 24, 2018, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Mountville Borough Hall, 21 East Main Street, Mountville, PA.

The following Council members were present: Jesse Hersh, Council President Lenny D. Heisey, Christine D. Eshleman, Michael A. Trimble and Charlie H. Thomas. Council members Harry L. Morgan and Richard D. Spiegel were absent. Also attending were: Mayor Philip S. Kresge, West Hempfield Township Police Officer Bart Hollis and Pamela J. Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Lenny Heisey.

C. Eshleman moved to accept the September 10, 2018 minutes as presented. J. Hersh seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### Public Safety – Police/Fire

West Hempfield Township Police Officer Bart Hollis reviewed the August 2018 report with Council which included: 181 calls for service, 49 of which were reportable incidents (higher than normal), 3 adult arrests, 13 traffic accidents (higher than normal), 13 traffic citations and one parking ticket. Officer Hollis asked those attending to be more vigilant about locking vehicles and not leaving items of interest in their cars. C. Thomas asked if the DUI Check Point was successful. The check point held at Froelich Park went well. It was reported by Council that vehicles are still parking on the sidewalk at East Hoover Street. Officer Hollis will send a notice of this to other officers to take note and ticket if applicable.

M. Trimble reported that the Act 8 meeting with representatives from the Mountville Fire Company #1 is scheduled for this week.

#### Public Safety – Planning/Zoning

Chair J. Hersh reported that there are three junked vehicles parked to the rear of 2 East Main Street, along South Manor Street. Zoning Officer Sam Meckley is pursuing the issue with a certified letter at this time.

J. Hersh asked Council if everyone had an opportunity to review the proposed zoning ordinance updates. The biggest changes are related to the Borough zoning map and to non-conforming uses of properties. In some circumstances, chickens will now be allowed, but overall the proposed changes will allow Mountville to be more uniform with the zoning used by other municipalities. The next step will be for the proposed updates to be sent to the Lancaster County Planning Commission for their review and comments. Mayor Kresge asked if the proposed changes address the use of Bed and Breakfast establishments. Mountville currently has nothing on the record for such facilities. S. Meckley has recommended making an addendum to the proposed changes when more information regarding the use of bed and breakfasts is available.

J. Hersh moved to send the ordinance updates to the Lancaster County Planning Commission for review and comment. M. Trimble seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Council has received a letter of resignation from the Mountville Zoning Hearing Board from Donald Stollenwerk who is moving out of the Borough. J. Hersh moved to accept the resignation effective November 12, 2018, C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried. The vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board will be posted on the sign in front of the building as well as on the Borough website and through the email alert system.

#### General Government

Chair M. Trimble addressed the proposed 2019 budget. There are some line items open for discussion, including but not limited to capital purchases and wages. The wages will be discussed in an Executive Session at the October 8, 2018 meeting when the personnel reviews will be discussed.

M. Trimble reported receiving three estimates for the boiler replacement in the Borough Hall. The quotes were \$8,298.00 from Groff's Heating, \$11,590.00 from Robert H. Ranck and two quotes from One Hour Heating of \$14,782.00 and \$11,769.00. Following discussion and an explanation of the quality of the units being offered, M. Trimble moved to approve the \$11,590.00 proposal from Ranck with funding from the Capital Reserve Fund and authorized the Secretary to sign the contract. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

#### Public Works – Streets

Chair C. Thomas reported that he is waiting for a response to the email he sent to Public Works Foreman, Scott Haas for budget items.

C. Thomas reported that Sam Meckley of Rettew Associates had promised to provide information by Friday, September 21, 2018 regarding the runoff situations at Fridy Street and N. Lemon Street. C. Thomas has not received any information at this time.

C. Thomas reported that he has confirmed that D. H. Funk offers a "will call" contract for snow removal.

#### Public Works – Health/Sanitation

In the absence of Chair H. Morgan, J. Hersh reported that the trash bid opening took place this morning. There were three bidders and the apparent low bid was from Waste Management of York at \$113.52 per unit. J. Hersh moved to have the Solicitor review the bid prior to awarding on October 8, 2018. C. Thomas seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

#### Culture & Recreation

Chair C. Eshleman reported that the HARC Intermunicipal meeting was held and that upon reviewing the reports distributed, it appears to have been a productive meeting.

## **Special Committee Reports**

### Borough Hall Renovations Committee

P. Kresge reported that he met with Brian of Shakespeare Construction and Don from Kreider Diller. He is anticipating a meeting with a representative of Wohlsen. P. Kresge recommends that one project be addressed at a time. The improvements to the actual Hall would probably be the last project considered as it would be used for the staff during the other renovations. M. Trimble recommended Revolution Builders for the Hall, as they specialize in historic restorations.

### Personnel Committee

L. Heisey reported that the personnel reviews were held on Tuesday, September 11, 2018. The paperwork from those reviews will be distributed to all of Council for consideration at the October 8, 2018 meeting.

### Old Business

L. Heisey had discussed the need for additional ordinances governing the use of fireworks with the Solicitor, as well as the agreement with Field of Screams. The Solicitor, Brad Zuke, will investigate how other municipalities are handling the expanded availability of fireworks. Mr. Zuke has not yet responded to the questions regarding the original agreement with Field of Screams.

### Mayor's Report

Mayor P. Kresge reported receiving the resignation of Donald Stollenwerk from his duties as School Crossing Guard, effective November 9, 2018. C. Thomas moved to accept the resignation of Donald Stollenwerk, J. Hersh seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried. P. Kresge noted that substitute crossing guard, Beth Hess is willing to move into the permanent position. M. Trimble moved to appoint Beth Hess as the third permanent crossing guard, C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

The Zoning Hearing Board vacancy and the substitute crossing guard position will be posted on the sign, the website and will be included in an email alert.

P. Kresge has requested that the new recycling information be posted on the Borough website.

P. Kresge recently attended a Lancaster County Mayor's Association luncheon at which Advov Mediation and Restorative Practices, an organization for resolving conflicts, was in attendance.

P. Kresge asked who is responsible for the weeds growing between the curbs and the streets. J. Hersh will look into how other municipalities address the weeds.

### Secretary's Report

The secretary did not have anything new to report.

Miscellaneous

It was noted that the Borough has not had anyone representing us for emergency litigation for several years.

With no further business, J. Hersh moved to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Mitchell  
Secretary/Treasurer

Gallery:

Herb Landau, LNP  
Steve Mitchell  
Karl Smith