

MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 10, 2020

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, February 10, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Mountville Borough Hall, 21 East Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554.

The following Council members were present: Richard D. Spiegel, Harry L. Morgan, Jesse Hersh, Council President Lenny D. Heisey, Christine D. Eshleman and Jonah Eastep. Not in attendance, Charlie Thomas. Also attending were: West Hempfield Township Police Chief Lisa Layden, Mayor Philip S. Kresge and Pamela J. Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Heisey who gave an invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

J. Hersh moved to accept the meeting minutes from January 13, 2020. H. Morgan seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

C. Eshleman moved to accept the financial reports and distribution of funds as reported. R. Spiegel seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

L. Heisey welcomed all the guests and asked that they state their name and address if they wished to address Council.

Council has received notice from Charlie Thomas that due to scheduling conflicts, he is offering his resignation. H. Morgan moved to accept his resignation, C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried. L. Heisey thanked C. Thomas for his two years of service to the Borough. Council must fill this vacancy within thirty days.

Standing Committee Reports

Public Safety – Police/Fire

Chair R. Spiegel recognized West Hempfield Township Police Chief L. Layden. Chief Layden referenced the police report that she distributed and noted that there were 132 calls for service in January. Officer Gabe Rimolo was recently recognized for his work in addressing aggressive driving. The emergency response equipment at Lake Grubb has recently been repaired but still is not fully functional. The panel is working, but when the buoy is pulled the alarm doesn't register the need for emergency personnel. The cost to repair the unit could be costly, West Hempfield Township public works employees may be able to make the repairs.

In the absence of any Fire Company members, there is nothing new to report.

Public Safety – Planning/Zoning

Chair J. Hersh reviewed the Zoning Officer's Report which includes four zoning permits, one building permit and two certificates of occupancy.

Permit #2149	128 E Hoover Street	Shed	Fee: \$ 35.00
Permit #2150	100 Spring Street	Silo	Fee: \$346.25
Permit #2151	173 E Main Street	Shed/Fence	Fee: \$ 70.00
Permit #2152	2 Park Avenue	Fence	Fee: \$ 35.00
Permit #2153	120 College Avenue	HVAC	Fee: \$.00 (MACC)

General Government

Chair C. Eshleman didn't have any new financial information to report. Discussion did follow regarding the improved look of the meeting room ceiling as new tiles have been installed. The public works staff will install new ceiling tiles in the building offices if Council approves of the expenditure. C. Eshleman moved to purchase new tiles for the offices at a cost not to exceed \$400.00. R. Spiegel seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried. The light fixtures in the meeting room need to be updated. C. Eshleman reported that three quotes were received to replace the outdated fixtures with LED lights.

Nolt Electric	\$2,650
Key Mechanical	\$4,400
Lapp Electric	\$7,977

With all estimates covering the same scope of work; C. Eshleman moved to award the project to Nolt Electric at a cost of \$2,650. J. Hersh seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Works – Streets

In the absence of a current Street Chair, L. Heisey reported that the unnamed Borough street located between Froelich Avenue and the Norfolk Southern rail tracks should continue to be maintained by the public works staff and remain accessible to the properties bordering it.

Mayor P. Kresge reported that he had received a complaint regarding the snow removal on Main Street which was done by PennDot personnel. After the resident had cleared his sidewalk, the state plows come through again and pushed snow back onto his sidewalk. Mayor Kresge plans to attend a Lancaster County Mayor's meeting and hopes to address this concern with other local mayors who also have State roads in their Boroughs.

Jeremy Haines, 210 South Manor Street, asked if the use of speed awareness risers had been considered. He has experienced speeding vehicles as well as vehicles that do not obey the stop sign on Hoover Street. Tara Fitzkee, 302 South Manor Street, reported speeding on South Manor Street, both north and south bound. T. Fitzkee stated that mailboxes and a stop sign have been destroyed over the years as well as cars leaving the road. The traffic signal at the Main and Manor Street intersection is still being run on a regular basis. Beth Hess, 2 West Main Street, reported that a tractor trailer ran over her curb again at the intersection.

Heath & Sanitation

Chair H. Morgan reported that there were issues with trash and recycling reported due to the windy conditions on Friday, February 7, 2020.

Parks & Recreation

Chair J. Eastep noted that the community concert series ends on August 23, 2020. J. Eastep made a motion to hold the Community Picnic on Sunday, August 30, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

As C. Eshleman has another commitment and needs to leave, L. Heisey asked that a new personnel committee be established. The previous committee consisted of C. Eshleman, M. Trimble and C. Thomas along with Mayor Kresge. Council members L. Heisey, C. Eshleman and H. Morgan all volunteered to serve along with Mayor Kresge. L. Heisey asked these members to stay a few minutes after the meeting is adjourned.

J. Eastep made a retroactive motion to purchase a new Scag mower at a cost not to exceed \$9,300.00. H. Morgan seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

J. Eastep noted that a proposal from Tomlinson Bomberger has been received again this year for a discounted rate of \$3,545.65 if the contract is paid by February 29, 2020. This contract covers the applications made at the Borough parks for the year. J. Eastep moved to accept the proposal, R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion passed.

J. Eastep reported that a request has been made to close Clay Street, College Avenue and East Main Street from College Avenue through 350 West Main Street for the annual Memorial Parade. J. Eastep moved to approve this closure on Saturday, May 23, 2020 from 9:30 through 11:00 a.m. C. Eshleman seconded the motion, Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Old Business

There is no old business to be addressed.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kresge had nothing further for discussion.

Secretary's Report

There is nothing new to report.

Miscellaneous

With no unfinished business, L Heisey entertained a motion to cancel the February 24, 2020 meeting. H. Morgan moved to cancel the meeting, J. Hersh seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Council adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Mitchell
Secretary/Treasurer

Gallery:

Tara Fitzkee
Jeremy Haines
Beth Hess
Emily Jones, LNP
Judy Snyder
Steve Mitchell