MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 13, 2024

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 1900 hrs. in the Mountville Borough Hall at 21 E. Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554.

The following Council members were present:

- Theresa Baker, Jonah Eastep, Christine Eshleman, Danny Good, Lenny Heisey, Phil Kresge, Rick Spiegel, and Mayor Steve Mitchell.
- Also, present were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Lisa Layden and Borough Manager Derrick Millhouse.

The meeting was called to order at 1900 hrs. by Council President P. Kresge who then gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Kresge addressed the visitors in the room. He advised them of the public comment sections of the meeting, and if anyone wished to be heard during those times, they could stand, state their name, and address, and then address the Council.

Agenda Additions

• L. Heisey moved to add an action item to consider approval of a request of assistance from Faith Friendship Ministries. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Recognition of Visitors

None.

Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports

- C. Eshleman moved to accept the minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting as distributed. T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- R. Spiegel moved to accept the financial reports and fund distributions as presented. T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Safety - Police/Fire

Chairperson – R. Spiegel

- Chairperson Spiegel recognized WHTPD Chief Layden who reviewed the report for the previous month. C.
 Layden informed Council of her planned retirement and that a replacement will soon be hired.
- Chairperson Spiegel informed Council the fire company representative is not present because of the carnival set up. The report was sent to all Council members.

Public Safety - Planning/Zoning

Chairperson – L. Heisey

- Chairperson Heisey reported that 1 permit was issued for this reporting period:
 - o **#2366**
- 122 Ruby St.

Fence

\$ 35.00

• There are several outstanding zoning issues regarding weeds/grass and junked cars.

Public Safety - Health/Sanitation

Chairperson - T. Baker

- There are 4 accounts which are currently in lien for trash, which have not paid the current quarter.
 - T. Baker moved to suspend trash collection for the 4 properties in lien that have not paid the current quarter. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

General Government - Personnel

Chairperson – P. Kresge

No Report.

General Government - Budget

Chairperson - C. Eshleman

• No Report.

General Government - Public Outreach

Chairperson - P. Kresge

- Lancaster Area Library Funding.
 - o The Council continued discussion on funding the Mountville Library.
 - P. Kresge moved to release the 2024 budgeted funds to the Mountville Library, with the check made payable to the Mountville Branch, and with the condition that the entire Mountville Borough donation be used only for Mountville Library expenses, and that the Mountville Library will provide a detailed account of what the money is used for. T. Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed on a majority vote of 4 to 3.
- Mountville Business Center Sign
 - The Public outreach Committee is investigating rehabbing or replacing the "Welcome to Mountville" sign at the intersection of College Ave. and Main Street.

General Government - Building Committee

Chairperson – P. Kresge

No Report.

Public Works - Streets

Chairperson – D. Good

- Spring Street RR crossing closure.
 - o Road Closed signs have been erected in anticipation of the closure which may occur before the end of the month.

Public Works - Parks and Recreation

Chairperson – J. Eastep

- Rettew updated Council on the 2nd phase of the Spring Hill Basin restoration project.
- DCNR Borough Park Project
 - o Issues with budgeted costs will force us to reconsider continuing the project.
- We are in preliminary discussion with HARC to manage the Borough Parks as part of a regional park system.

Engineer's Report -

None.

Manager's Report -

The Memorial Day Parade is on May 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor's Report -

None.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- Faith Friendship Facility
 - The facility is applying for a local grant and they are asking for a letter of support from the Borough for the grant application.
 - C. Eshleman moved to endorse Faith Friendship's need to apply for a grant to upgrade their kitchen and dining areas. P Kresge seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- Sale of 2011 Pick Up Truck, Plow and Salt Spreader
 - o The truck was replaced this year and is no longer needed.
 - D. Good moved to list the 2011 Ford with the snow removal equipment on Municibid with a reserve price of \$12,000.00.
 C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- Handicapped Parking Space
 - o The resident of 2 West Main St. is requesting a space. All necessary documentation has been provided.
 - D. Good moved to approve the application for a handicapped space to be assigned to 2 W. Main St. and placed in front of 5 W. Main St. closest to the intersection of Manor St. T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- Web Site Hosting
 - Five bids were received and there were two bids recommended for the job, each with similar cost and services. The two recommended vendors were K. Marketing Co. and R.K. Creative.
 - C. Eshleman moved to approve a contract with K. Marketing Co. to provide web hosting services to the Borough and that the initial set-up costs of \$4,125.00 be paid from Capital Reserve. R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Comment

 Karl Smith commented that he is glad to hear that the Borough is looking at updating the welcome sign to the Borough. He also mentioned there are several properties in the Borough which need attention regarding grass, weeds, fences and junk cars. The Borough manager explained we are working with the properties to get these items addressed.

Miscellaneous

- D. Good moved to cancel the May 27, 2024, Borough Council meeting. R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- It was noted that the Office will be closed on July 5, 2024.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2105 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Derrick J Millhouse Manager/Treasurer

Gallery: (listing only those who signed in)

Angel Albring (LNP)

Lisa Lane Karl Smith