

**MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2023**

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, July 10, 2023, 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, Lenny Heisey, Phil Kresge, Rick Spiegel and Mayor Steve Mitchell. Matt Auken was absent.
- Also, present were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Lisa Layden, Mountville Fire Co #1 Chief Dean Gantz, and Borough Manager Derrick Millhouse.

The meeting was called to order at 1902 hrs. by Council president 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 a proposal from the Lancaster Watershed Leadership Academy to the agenda.* T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Comment

- None.

Recognition of Visitors

- Lancaster Watershed Leadership Academy.
 - Lettice Brown spoke for the organization and offered a proposal to the Council which would beautify Spring Hill Park and add both practical and environmental features, including shade trees, picnic tables, benches, and shrubbery. It would be completed as a Celebration/Community Day. The tentative date will be October 7, 2023, and all work would be completed at no cost to the Borough.
 - *C. Eshleman moved to allow the Lancaster Watershed Leadership Academy to proceed with their proposal to add beautification to Spring Hill Park.* L. Heisey seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports

- *R. Spiegel moved to accept the minutes of the June 12, 2023, 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.* L. Heisey seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

Public Safety – Police/Fire

Chairperson – R. Spiegel

- Chairperson Spiegel recognized WHTPD Chief Lisa Layden who reviewed the report for the previous month.
 - Chief Layden noted there were two residential burglaries in the Borough over the last month. There are no suspects in these crimes.
 - New parking tickets have been developed and are now in use in the Borough. They mirror the tickets which have been used for West Hempfield Township.
 - National Night Out is scheduled to take place on August 1, 2023, 6-8 pm.
- Chairperson Spiegel recognized Mountville Fire Co #1 Chief D. Gantz who presented the monthly report that was distributed to Council earlier.
 - The new round of AFG grants are open and they will be applying for a grant for new gear.
 - The new radios should begin to arrive soon.
 - Looking into an incentive program for volunteers.

Public Safety – Planning/Zoning

Chairperson – L. Heisey

- Chairperson Heisey reported that 9 permits were issued for this reporting period:

○ #2323	131 N. Church St.	Pool (above)	\$ 194.50
○ #2324	113 E. New St.	Solar Panels	\$ 344.50
○ #2326	321 Pennridge Ave.	Basement Renovation	\$ 579.50
○ #2328	117 Pennridge Ave.	Fence	\$ 35.00
○ #2329	2 College Ave	Sign	\$ 517.50
○ #2330	10 E. Main St.	Driveway	\$ 35.00
○ #2331	224 Providence Pl.	Fence	\$ 35.00
○ #2332	15 E. New St.	Shed	\$ 35.00
○ #2334	407 E. New St.	Stone Pad and Shed	\$ 70.00
- Zoning Hearing Board will meet July 11, 2023 to discuss the property at 120 Fridy St.
- The properties at 5 E. Main St. and 23 N. Manor St. have not responded to zoning letters sent. There will be violations filed with the District Magistrate by our solicitor. These should be sent out Friday.
- A committee needs to be formed to discuss short-term rentals. President Kresge assigned the following Council members to the committee:
 - L. Heisey, M. Auker, P. Kresge and Mayor Mitchell

Public Safety – Health/Sanitation

Chairperson – T. Baker

- No Report

General Government - Personnel

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- We still need to find a replacement for our representative to the UCC appeals board for the LIMC.

General Government - Budget

Chairperson – C. Eshleman

- We will be discussing budget items starting in August.

General Government – Public Outreach

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No Report.

General Government – Building Committee

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No report.

Public Works – Streets

Chairperson – Matthew T. Auker (absent)

- The Main and Manor project for signal lights.
 - The tentative start date for the project is the middle of September, if the pole manufacturer is still on schedule.
- Huntington Drive/Providence Place and Lemon Street repaving projects:
 - The Oil, Chip and Fog Seal is completed in Summit Hills.
 - The paving project is on hold until we hear back from the CFA on the additional financing requested.
- Spring Street discussion.
 - We will have a public input meeting scheduled for July 24th, 2023 at 7:00 pm.
 - Council requested notification of neighboring residents.
- Village Drive storm water pipe replacement.
 - We received 4 bids for the project. They are as follows:
 - Flyway excavating: \$14,900.00
 - B.R. Kreider and Son: \$15,702.00
 - JVI Inc.: \$24,800.00
 - S.A. Way and Son: \$33,786.50
 - *R. Spiegel moved to award the bid package to Flyway Excavating in the amount of \$14,900.00 for the Village Drive storm water repair. J. Eastep seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*

Public Works - Parks and Recreation

Chairperson – Jonah M. Eastep

- Spring Hill Basin Project.
 - Flyway is now scheduled to begin mobilization the week of July 19th and should begin work soon thereafter. They have been held up by the rainy weather we have been experiencing.
- DCNR Park Improvement Grant – Borough Park.
 - No Update.
- Park Bench VFW Project

- Council discussed the project and the type of bench proposed. The powder coated aluminum bench is preferred by the Council. A suggestion was made to have concrete pads at each location so the benches can be anchored.
- Borough Park Security System
 - Council requested pricing to update and/or replace the existing surveillance system in the park.

Engineer's Report –

- No report.

Manager's Report –

- Report as distributed.

Mayor's Report –

- Storm water run-off was discussed at a recent Mayor's round table.

Unfinished Business

- None.

New Business

- None.

Public Comment

- None.

Miscellaneous

- Several Council members received awards from the PSAB. Councilperson Eshleman and Councilperson Heisey received the Cecil K. Leberknight award for 10 or more years of service to the Borough. Council President Kresge received the Thomas F. Chrostwaite Award for 20 or more years of service to the Borough.
- *L. Heisey moved to cancel the June 26, 2023 meeting.* C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- Community Picnic is scheduled for August 27th.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2055 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,



Derrick J. Millhouse
Manager/Treasurer

Gallery:

Emily Broich
Lettice Brown
Stephanie Lower
Sally Reynolds