# HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH LUZERNE COUNTY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING February 20, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 7:30 pm.in the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

President Hogan called the meeting to order and asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hogan announced the meeting tonight was being tape-recorded and if anyone in the audience had a recorder to please advise Council at this time. The Times Leader reporter indicated that she had a recorder.

# Roll call:

Carole Samson	Mayor	Present
Clarence Hogan	President	Present
Daniel F. Blaine	Vice President	Present
Michell'e Boice	Council Member	Present
Chad Flack	Council Member	Present
Thomas Kehler	Council Member	Present
Ed Kelly	Council Member	Present
Wayde Post	Council Member	Present
Matthew Loftus	Solicitor	Present
Susan R. Sutton	Borough Secretary	Present

<sup>\*\*</sup>Indicates motions made

\*\*Councilmember Kelly made the motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes of the January 16, 2018 public worksession and regular council meeting, and the February 8, 2018 special meeting, seconded by Councilmember Post. The motion carried unanimously.

# OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Prior to the meeting, a sign-up sheet for those wishing to speak at the meeting was available to residents wishing to speak at the meeting

Brandon Harris, Michelle Harris, Allen Kidd and James Pall spoke on behalf of the zoning officer with complaints that she has about her job conditions.

Judy Spagnola spoke against Harveys Lake Borough Council joining in with the WVSA Stormwater Regionalization plan. She urged council to listen to Dallas Area Municipal Authority regional plan and hold off until they have a proposal in writing.

The floor was closed.

# REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

The Tax Collector's report was available on the back table.

The Borough Secretary reported that during the month of February the Borough received \$19,433.12 from Berkheimer

#### REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**Police:** Mayor Samson reported that there were 209 calls including; 5 suspicious persons calls, 69 administrative, 10 burglar alarms, 1 crime code violation, 5 animal complaints, 1 sexual assault, 22 assists to other departments, 2 burglaries, 1 criminal mischief to automobiles, 3 disorderly conduct, 4 domestic disturbances, 8 other disturbances, 1 DUI, 1 fraud, 12 medical emergencies, 2 miscellaneous persons, 1 lost person, 3 motor vehicle accidents, 6 non-criminal investigations, 1 overdose, 1 protective order, 1 juvenile runaways, 6 public service, 1 sex offense, 1 suspicious person with automobile, 1 service call miscellaneous, 1 theft, 41 traffic calls, 1 weapons call.

Councilmember Blaine wanted to commend the Police Department for a recent incident that was handled very well.

**Finance:** Councilmember Blaine gave a report including that the available cash is \$574,920.42 and restricted cash is \$57,437.31 for a total of \$632,357.73. He also reported that the tax bills have been mailed and that there is a discount for residents wishing to take advantage of it.

**Roads:** Councilmember Post stated that the borough is looking to pave up to 9 roads next year. The road department has been doing a great job with keeping the roads clear from snow.

**Zoning:** Councilmember Post stated that the zoning officer reported that she worked 8 days and issued 6 permits. She addressed a legal issue, drove to issue a stop work order, had a telephone conference with assessor's office and prepared paperwork for the February zoning hearing.

\*\*Councilmember Blaine made the motion to accept the reports from Special Committees, Elected Officials and Appointed Officials, seconded by Councilmember Post. The motion carried unanimously.

### **New Business**

\*\*Councilmember Blaine made a motion for Harveys Lake Borough to join the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority Stormwater Regionalization Plan, Councilmember Boice called On the Question and wanted to know what the hurry was. She wants to get a representative from DAMA to come out and hear their Regionalization Plan. She made a motion to table the WVSA vote until after that time, seconded by Councilmember Kehler.

Roll Call Vote: Councilmember Blaine, no; Councilmember Kehler, yes; Councilmember Boice, yes; Councilmember Kelly, yes; Councilmember Flack, no; Councilmember Post, yes; Councilmember Hogan, no; The motion carried to table the vote for the WVSA regionalization plan.

\*\*Councilmember Post made a motion to authorize the engineering and advertising of the 2018 Liquid Fuels project, seconded by Councilmember Blaine. The motion carried unanimously.

\*\*Councilmember Blaine made a motion to hire Mike Novak as a contract snow removal employee, seconded by Councilmember Flack. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Boice read three letters into the record. Tarantini HL zoning Bernard

\*\*Councilmember Boice made a motion to reconsider not reducing the zoning officer's hours and reinstating them to 16-20 hours as was done in the past, seconded by Councilmember Kelly. Roll Call Vote: Blaine, No; Kehler, Yes; Boice, Yes, Kelly, Yes; Flack, Abstain; Post, No; Hogan, No. The vote was tied. Mayor Samson was called upon to break the tie. Mayor Samson voted No. The motion did not carry.

Councilmember Kehler stated that 8 of the 12 years he has been in office he has been in charge of zoning. He feels her work ethic is good and she does a fantastic job.

\*\*Councilmember Post made a motion to pay the Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$179,527.65, seconded by Councilmember Blaine. The motion carried unanimously.

\*\*Councilmember Blaine made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Flack. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm. Respectfully submitted by Susan R. Sutton, Borough Secretary