## HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH Luzerne County REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES April 16, 2019

The regular meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:30 pm. in the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA.

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

President Blaine announced that the meeting was being tape-recorded, and if anyone in the audience had a recorder to please advise Council at this time. There was no response.

# **Roll call:**

Carole Samson	Mayor	Present
Daniel F. Blaine	President	Present
Clarence Hogan	Vice President	Present
Michell'e Boice	Council Member	Present
Chad Flack	Council Member	Present
Edward Kelly	Council Member	Present
Thomas Kehler	Council Member	Present
Wayde Post	Council Member	Present
Matthew Loftus	Solicitor	Present
Elizabeth A. Martin	Secretary-Treasurer	Present

#### **\*\*Indicates motions made**

\*\*Council member Kelly made the motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes from the March 19<sup>th</sup> Public Work Session and Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Council member Flack.

### **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:

President Blaine announced that garbage containers are being left out after pick-up day, and asked that residents please be reminded to remove them from the roadways. Councilman Post added that there are a limited number of smaller containers available.

Alice Frantz, Hemlock St., stated that 1) the Road Department did a great job keeping the roads clear this past winter; 2) GIS mapping from Luzerne County shows that she is paying stormwater fees for part of her neighbor's property; 3) Ms. Frantz also stated that she had information relative to the criteria for stormwater barrels and spigots, and will leave it for others; she inquired

about liens for non-payment; and noted that, per on-line research, President Blaine's daughter is not involved in any way with WVSA.

Judi Spagnuolo, GMAHL Board, noted that calls and questions have come in about Act 537, and asked President Blaine if Council has been billed. Blaine said that the Borough was not billed, and said that Brent Steele and Borton-Lawson did an excellent job. He asked if GMAHL was billed \$7,000 for the presentation, to which Spagnuolo explained that the cost for the presentation was \$210.

Joanne Jones, Lakeside Drive, asked what Act 537 is about. Ms. Spagnuolo explained that the sewer lines need to be compliant according to a mandate from PA DEP - flows have to be monitored and kept in line.

Amanda Blaine, Terrace Ave., noted that there have been rumors about her working for WVSA, but she has had the same job for five years, recently received a promotion and raise, and loves her job at an inpatient drug and alcohol facility. She does environmental volunteer work as a Master Watershed Steward, which is not affiliated with WVSA.

Paul Adamshick, Rhodes Terrace, explained that there is a significant amount of broken glass on the road from the garbage collection truck, although County Waste reported that they did not leave the glass; also, there has been no change in stormwater fees as a result of an appeal with WVSA, and he asked how to approach them.

### **REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Copies of the Tax Collector's report were placed on the back table.

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that during the month of February the Borough received \$45,903.74 from Berkheimer.

### **REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Police:** Mayor Samson reported that there were 217 total calls to the HLPD during the month of March, including two suicides, 41 traffic-related incidents, and 17 medical emergencies. Also, PA Atty. General Josh Shapiro praised PA's municipalities for installing and opioid drop-off boxes, reporting that 100 tons of old/unused drugs have been accounted for.

**Roads:** Council member Post's report included the continued checking of roads and basins, and equipment and sign maintenance.

**Finance:** Council member Flack announced the March finance report: Available Cash - \$469,075.82; and Restricted Cash - \$107,607.17, for a total of \$576,682.99.

**Zoning:** Vice President Hogan's report included that in the 11.5 days she worked in March 2019, the zoning officer issued 17 permits, including 1 zoning, 5 building and 11 burn permits; spoke

to 190 persons, and received 7 complaints, of which 2 were resolved. She also issued 5 citations to the residents of the trailer park, mostly for garbage/rubbish issues; and, attended an 8 hr. class, Advanced Floodplain Management in PA.

Grants: No report.

BMCP: No report.

Sewer: No report.

**EAC:** Council member Boice noted that Jason Miller is this year's EAC chairman; talked about "Go with the Flow" at Lake-Noxen School, and mentioned EAC's litter pick-up day on Sunday, April 28, 1-4 p.m., with sign-up at the Beach Club, Pole 187.

**HL Rec Committee:** President Blaine announced the Easter Egg Hunt at Lake-Noxen Elementary School on Saturday, April 20, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; and the Semi-Centennial Time Capsule Event on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*Council member Kelly made the motion to accept the reports from Special Committees, Elected Officials and Appointed Officials, seconded by Councilmember Post. Motion carried unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**\*\***Council member Kehler made a Motion to appoint Sam Wolfe to the GMAHL Board; seconded by Council member Flack. Motion carried.

\*\*Atty. Loftus read Resolution #4-2109, Disposal of Old Records. Motion made by Council member Kelly; seconded by Council member Flack. Motion carried.

\*\*Atty. Loftus read Resolution #5-2019, Sewage Facilities Planning Module for Rollman/Elias. Motion was made by Council member Boice; seconded by Council member Kehler. Motion carried.

\*\*Council member Kelly made a Motion to ratify 3% employee raises for 2019; seconded by Council member Flack. Roll Call Vote: Kehler, yes; Kelly, yes; Boice, yes; Hogan, abstain; Flack, yes; Post, yes; Blaine, yes. Motion carried.

\*\*Council member Post made a Motion to pay GMAHL for half of the Act 537 Plan presentation, at \$110; seconded by Council member Kehler. Roll Call Vote: Kehler, yes; Kelly, yes; Boice, abstain; Hogan, yes; Post, yes; Blaine, yes. Motion carried.

\*\*Council member Kelly made a Motion to pay the Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$104,605.25; seconded by Council member Flack. Motion carried.

The next Regular meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2019, at 7:30pm.

## \*\*Council member Kelly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council member Flack. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Elizabeth A. Martin, Borough Secretary-Treasurer