HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH Luzerne County

Virtual Council Meeting Minutes May 19, 2020

President Boice call the meeting to order at 5:06 and led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mayor Samson - absent Councilmember Kehler - absent

President Boice - present
Vice President Hilburt - present
Councilmember Blaine - present
Solicitor Bufalino - present

Councilmember Kelly - present

Quorum established

**Minutes of Previous Meeting - Vice President Hilburt made a motion to waive the reading and accept the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on April 21, 2020. Councilman Hogan seconded it and the motion passed.

Opportunity for Citizens to be heard – Residents were invited to send in questions and concerns by email to be heard at this meeting. No emails came in.

Reports from Appointed Officials and Special Committees

Roads: Vice President Hilburt gave the Roads Report.

Zoning: Vice President Hilburt the Zoning Report.

Finance Report: President Boice read the finance report (attached).

**Motion to Accept Reports was made Councilman Kehler and Seconded by Councilman Flack. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Ordinance for Reduction of Penalty Fees for Real Estate Tax A motion was made by Councilman Flack to adopt the Ordinance that reduced the late payment penalty for past-due tax payments until August 2020, to follow the one adopted by Luzerne County. Councilman Kehler seconded it and the motion passed.
- **3 Month review of Borough Secretary Vice President Hilburt made a motion to make permanent the position of Secretary/Treasurer for Irene Sankey. Councilman Hogan seconded it and the motion passed.
- **Make Zoning Officer position full-time Councilman Kehler made a motion to make the position of Zoning Officer a full-time / 32 hour position for Maureen Oremus. Councilman Kelly seconded it. Roll Call Vote was called for:

Roll Call: Councilmember Kehler <u>yes</u> Councilmember Flack <u>yes</u>

Vice President Hilburt <u>yes</u> Councilmember Hogan <u>no</u>

Councilmember Kelly <u>yes</u> President Boice <u>yes</u>

Councilmember Blaine no Motion passed.

Old Business

**Motion to pay the bills from April – Vice President Hilburt made a motion to pay the bills from April of \$109, 524.29. Councilmember Flack seconded it and the motion carried.

Council President thanked the Borough Employees for carrying on, staying safe and doing a good job during the pandemic.

Next meeting Tuesday, June 16, 2020

**Motion to Adjourn – Bill Hilburt made the motion at 5:27 and Ed Kelly seconded it. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned _____