June 25, 2024 Apollo Borough Council Meeting

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by the Vice President at 7:00 p.m. at 809 N Warren Avenue, Apollo PA 15613.

Present: Council members Mark Tarle, Ken Cyphert, Diane Bradshaw, Cindy O'Block and Sherry Sabatino were present. The Secretary/Treasurer, Engineer and Solicitor were present. Council members Jerrod Thompson, Sara Gerwig and the Mayor were absent.

Public Comments:

Bill Kerr, representative of the Lion's Club, wanted to thank public works for the nice work they did with the mulch at the Grove and the Plaza. He said the Lion's Club is planning a community workday at the Grove when the walking trail project is completed. Bill has spoken to Mark Tarle and Cindy O'Block about repairs needing done to the parking lot at the Grove. He would like to contribute towards the repairs and has received estimates for tarring, sealing and painting. Mark Tarle asked for a copy of the quotes.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Sherry Sabatino to approve the May 28, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report:

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Mark Tarle to pay the Solicitor's Invoices. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report:

A motion was made by Ken Cyphert and seconded by Cindy O'Block to pay the Engineers' Invoices. Motion passed unanimously.

MS4 Report: Ken Cyphert, chair: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Kenzevich: Absent

Public Safety: Mark Tarle, chair:

Mark asked if the metal benches sitting in front of the public works garage could be placed up at the Grove around the walking trail once it's completed since that would be of better use for them.

Secretary/Treasurer Report:

Discussion on option to purchase extended liability insurance. The council unanimously opted not to purchase it and keep the same coverage.

Comparison on real estate taxes from 2023 to 2024 was presented to council. The numbers are not rising even with the 2 mills that were increased last year.

A monthly expense report was given to council.

Finance Committee Report: Jerrod Thompson, chair: Absent

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Sara Gerwig to pay the bills, including payroll. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of items for payment as follows (5/23/2023 –6/23/2024):

General Fund (includes payroll) - \$41080.48

Garbage Fund – \$24625.78

Parking Fund - \$1944.39

Sewer Fund - \$5911.56

Sewer Separation Fund - \$2395.03

Liquid Fuels - \$4634.58

Total – \$80591.82

Public Works & Streets Committee Report: Diane Bradshaw, chair:

Backhoe maintenance and repairs were required.

Property & Planning Committee Report: Cindy O'Block, chair:

Cindy talked with Bill Kerr regarding working on the Grove to make it look better for the community.

Senator Pittman's office is sending an American flag to be put up at the Grove. Discussion on solar lights for the flag. The borough has not had any success with solar lights at the borough building so will need to look into putting in a light fixture for the park if a flag is put up.

Public Relations Committee- Events: Sara Gerwig, chair:

Update on Wheel Good Wednesday food trucks to start Wednesday, June 26th and run through October 23rd, every other Wednesday. Events will be held rain or shine unless the weather is severe.

Discussion on starting up Movie Night at the Park again.

See Apollo Events Committee Facebook page for details on all upcoming events.

As always, Apollo Events Committee, is looking for volunteers for upcoming events.

Other Business:

At 7:46 p.m. a motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Ken Cyphert to go into executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

At 8:02 p.m. a motion was made by Cindy O'Block and seconded by Sherry Sabatino to come out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Cindy O'Block for employee, William Uhing, to be promoted from a part-time position to a full-time position on public works at \$15.50 per hour. Motion passed unanimously.

At 8:04 p.m. a motion was made by Sherry Sabatino and seconded by Ken Cyphert to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Mark Tarle

Vice President

Deanna Shupe

Borough Secretary/Treasurer