

## May 6, 2019

Council met in regular session at the Union Dale Borough Hall with President Patti Cino presiding. Presentation to the flag was performed. Members present were Donna Tedesco, Mike Fortuner, Tom Yale, and Mayor James Heller.

There were no comments from the public.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and a motion to approve them was made by Donna Tedesco and seconded by Mike Fortuner with all in favor.

### Correspondence-

- A letter was received from Bonnie Byrnes stating that she was interested in the vacant council seat. A motion to appoint her was made by Donna Tedesco, seconded by Patti Cino. Mike Fortuner stated that because it is over 45 days after the death of Doris Young, the new council member will need to be appointed by the court. Secretary will contact the solicitor.
- The 6 month CD at FNB renewed. Current balance is \$6954.97.
- A letter was received from Adams Cable Service stating that the Expanded Basic Cable rate will increase effective May 1.
- The Pennsylvania State Mayors' Association is seeking nominations for "Mayor of the Year Award".
- The Forest City Regional School District sent information about the Adopt-A-Tree Program and the Forest City Regional High School Alumni Association.
- A copy of the PSAB's 2019-2020 Legislative Directory was received.
- The official real estate valuation is \$4,974,100m which is slightly less than the amount used for budgeting purposes and will result in a \$5 difference in tax collection amount from budget.
- EMC Insurance sent a 30 day Notice of Estimated Renewal Premium letter stating that premium may increase.
- Certificates of Insurance were received for Wodock Construction and Brian Zembrzycki Excavating.
- Energy Transfer is looking for Identified Sites in the borough's jurisdiction. They include open structures or outside areas that contain evidence of use by at least 20 or more persons on at least 50 days in any 12-month period, a building that is occupied by 20 or more persons on at least five days a week for ten weeks in any twelve month period, or facilities occupied by person who are confined, are of impaired mobility, or would be difficult to evacuate.
- Information was received from Northeast Inspection Consultant. Secretary explained that there is a bill that would require municipalities to have more than one option for residents to choose for building permits. It would require the borough to bid it out and would not be effective until 2020, so there is no need to take action at the present time.
- A class is being offered for Understanding Complete Streets Policies and Field Review for anyone interested.

- A letter was received from the Rail-Trail Council regarding drainage issues at North Main and Norton Hill. A motion to allow Rail-Trail Council to proceed with the repairs at their expense was made by Tom Yale, seconded by Mike Fortuner, with all in favor. Secretary will notify Rail-Trail Council.
- Information was received about a Liquid Fuel Audit. Secretary reported that the audit was already completed, and there were no findings.

Persons to be heard-

- Tom Rainey was not in attendance.
- Don Bennett was in attendance and reported that he checked the borough for any issues. He stated that there were 3 properties that had violations to the borough’s ordinances. He will contact the owners and start the process by giving them a Notice of Violation Form.

Monies Received-

EIT-Berkheimer	\$4,828.02
Sewage Permit-Saam	\$150.00
RE Taxes (\$1618.17 to sewer)	\$8,090.83
Delinquent Taxes	\$35.81
RE Transfer	\$49.00

Treasurer’s Report-

As of	4/30/2019
General Fund Balance-Money Market	\$113,666.74
General Fund Balance-Checking	\$7,384.10
Liquid Fuel Fund Balance-Money Market	\$34,514.36
Liquid Fuel Fund Balance-Checking	\$215.00
6 Month CD Balance @ FNB (Renews 10/6/19)	\$6,954.97
14 Month CD Balance (Renews 3/17/20)	\$107,426.07
Sewer CD (Renews 3/10/20)	\$44,632.15

Bills Paid-

1040	Briechle Law Offices	\$112.50
1041	Jennifer Slick	\$264.84
1042	PPL	\$66.21
1043	PPL	\$586.46
1044	Joe Svecz	\$357.12
1045	Jay Lynch	\$115.91
1046	Don Bennett	\$61.79

A motion to accept the receipts and treasurer’s report and pay all bills was made by Donna Tedesco, seconded by Mike Fortuner, with all in favor.

Committee Reports-

- Mayor Heller had nothing to report.

- Mike Fortuner stated that there are quite a few potholes on Mausoleum Road. A motion to have Brian Zembrzycki get 2 tons of cold patch was made by Mike Fortuner, seconded by Tom Yale, with all in favor. Tom Yale stated that after East Mountain Road is completed he is hoping to be able to obtain grant funding to tar and chip Mausoleum Road.
- Tom Yale reported that the toilet in the bathroom is broken. He said with the upcoming election it needs to be replaced quickly, and said he could get a handicapped toilet and install it. A motion for Tom to purchase and install a new toilet was made by Donna Tedesco, seconded by Patti Cino, with all in favor.
- Mike Fortuner said that PennDot should be contacted about the condition of North Main Street by Cable's. Secretary will contact PennDot.

#### Unfinished Business-

- Three bids were received for the repairs to East Mountain Road. Bill Pykus Excavating Inc. bid \$78,886, Linde Corporation bid \$197,140, and Kohrs Excavating bid \$112,650. All bids contained proof of insurance as required by the bid package. A motion to award the job to Bill Pykus Excavating, Inc. was made by Mike Fortuner, seconded by Donna Tedesco, with all in favor.
- Secretary stated that council members need to have ICS700 & IS100 NIMS training. New council members will need to provide copies of their certificates to the secretary.

#### New Business-

- Mike Fortuner reported that the first step in obtaining grant funding for repairing the borough building would be to get the building designated as a historical building. He will look into what needs to be done to get the process started.
- Donna Tedesco expressed interest in passing a sample resolution that was received by the secretary earlier, which would help curb problems with habitual right to know requestors. She will present it to the solicitor for her review.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Fortuner, seconded by Patti Cino, with all in favor. Next Meeting June 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.