

July 15, 2019

Drakesboro City Council Meeting

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Mike Jones called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Mayor led council and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mayor Mike Jones, Scott Newman, Frank Schmautz, Larry Shrodes, Joe Studer and Tex Allen present.

Chadd Davis was absent.

Approval of Adoption of Minutes & Special Meeting: Larry Shrodes makes a motion to approve minutes and special meeting. Scott Newman seconds motion. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carries.

Financial Report: Karen Ward reads budget, discussed the audit report. She has new budget for review. She reports on four accounts. Water, sewage, gas and general funds. She informs council of deferred payment for our gas contractors when questioned by Frank Schmautz.

Open to the Public:

John Garret, Ditney Hill Rd. requested to place the fire department's meter on a two-inch water line to fill his pool, so he will not be charged for sewage. He will provide a before and after reading of the meter. Further discussion regarding the adjustments of sewer for customers filling swimming pools, council agreed it was a good idea. Customer are to provide a before and after reading of the meter (by picture). Frank Schmautz motions to allow Mr. Garrett to use the fire department meter and the adjustments of sewage. Larry Shrodes 2nd's the motion. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carries.

George Humphries asked about the city gas situation. The Mayor responded that the PSC is pleased overall with our progress. We still have work to be completed. We need to address the regulators, flow valves, and corrosion. The paperwork portion was satisfied. After we have a new over-all inspection, deal with the penalties, upgrades, and fines, we will regain complete control of the gas company.

Roger Frazier asked that we contact the Heinz family regarding the lot next to his church. It has become overgrown, and the church is asking for it to be cleaned up. Frank Schmautz will speak to the family. This property is in probate in the district court.

New Business:

First reading of Ordinance 2019-06. An Ordinance Establishing the Tax Rate for 2019.

2nd reading to be held on 7/17/2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

Frank Schmartz motioned for 2nd reading, provided that a correction was made in the tax rate to .0307. Scott Newman 2nd's the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carries.

Further discussion regarding the adjustment of sewer usage for residents who are filling pools. Council agreed that this is a good idea.


Sewer bill at South Elementary: Jimmy Fleming from the Muhlenberg Board of Education requested a rate adjustment for their sewage. The Mayor suggested that the City be allowed to investigate the account.

Frank Schmartz motioned that this item be tabled until the next council meeting. Scott Newman 2nd's the motion. All in favor, none opposed, motion carries.


Mayor Mike Jones provided council with 2 quotes for the water tank inspection. Pittsburgh Tank was \$565.00, and Dixon Tank Inspection was \$4350.00.

Next Meeting:

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Newman. Frank Schmartz 2nd's the motion. All in favor, none oppose. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned.



Mayor Mike Jones



Teresa Fulkerson, City Clerk