

MONTROSE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
April 4, 2022
7:00 PM

President Judy Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Mayor Thomas LaMont said a prayer for guidance.

Adoption of Agenda: President Kelly questioned if anyone wanted to make any changes or additions to the agenda. Discussion Item #3 Garbage. Motion to adopt agenda as amended by Councilman Craig Reimel; Councilman Todd Chamberlain 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: President Kelly inquired if there were any changes or corrections to the March 7, 2022 minutes. Motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Councilman Chamberlain; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Present for Roll Call: Judy Kelly, Sean Granahan, Ed Herd, Craig Reimel, Todd Chamberlain

Absent: Randy Schuster (arrived at 8:07 p.m.) Tom Follert

Other Officials Present: Thomas J. LaMont, Mayor, Lillian T. Senko, Secretary

Misc. Correspondence:

Beirne Wealth Consulting
RE: January 2022 Investment Report

Montrose Borough Zoning Hearing Board
RE: 2021 Annual Report to Borough Council

Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains
RE: Grant of \$1,485.00

Susq. Cty. Conservation District
RE: Save the Date Notification

President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the miscellaneous correspondence. Councilman Reimel informed Council the finance committee has a meeting scheduled with Beirne Wealth Consulting on Wednesday, April 20th at 9:00 a.m.

Recognition of Attendees: Bernie Kinney, Staci Wilson, Chief Dale Smith

Approval of A/P: President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments on submitted Accounts Payable. Councilman Sean Granahan motioned to approve payment of outstanding bills; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Payroll: President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments on submitted Payroll report. Councilman Reimel motioned to accept the Payroll Report; Councilman Granahan 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Accounts Receivable/Deposits: President Kelly inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the submitted Accounts Receivable/Deposit Report. No questions or comments.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report: President Kelly asked if anyone had any questions or comments on the submitted Treasurer's Report. Councilman Reimel stated the Treasurer's Report doesn't show the money was moved but it was and will show on next month's report. Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Councilman Granahan; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Budget Report: President Kelly inquired if anyone had any questions or comments on the presented material. No questions or comments.

Street Department: President Kelly asked if anyone had any questions on the Street Department Report.

Bernie Kinney represented the Street Department if Council had any questions on the day-to-day operations.

Councilman Reimel stated they were looking at a sweeper but the price was out of the Borough's league. Bernie stated the original price of the sweeper was \$145,000.00 and it is now reduced to \$115,000.00 – they offered \$60,000.00 plus a trade in to Bradco and the sales representative laughed. Councilman Chamberlain said offer them \$75,000.00

Councilman Reimel also stated the event signs were mounted and ready to be used.

Bernie asked if Council had any questions on the paving project, no questions or comments.

Zoning Report: President Kelly asked if anyone had any questions on the Zoning Report.

Councilman Granahan requested the secretary to ask Roy Williams, Code Enforcement Officer to touch base with County Commissioners to see if they would be able to paint the outside of the jail house windows before the summer events started happening.

Code Enforcement Report: President Kelly asked if anyone had any questions on the Code Enforcement Report. No questions. Council asked Borough Secretary to inform the Code Enforcement Officer to follow up on the Baptist Church on Church Street it's still in bad shape. Have them provide an update on the situation.

Police Department: President Kelly asked if there were any questions or comments on the Police Report.

Chief Smith stated things are going pretty well. This past month was busier than normal. All the officers participated in the updates at the county office and their CPRs are also up to date.

Municipal Authority: President Kelly asked if there were any questions or comments on the Municipal Authority Report. No questions, no comments.

Mayor's Report: Mayor LaMont proclaimed April as "Pennsylvania Safe Digging Month".

Two Leatherstocking Gas representatives Vickie Calby and Julie Lewis filed for a Peddler's Permit which the mayor approved.

Mayor LaMont also reported United Fire Company's Chili Contest held at the County Seat was a successful fundraiser.

Action Items:

- 1. Create Easement for Alley Behind S. Main Street:** Councilman Reimel motioned to create an easement for the alley which runs parallel to South Main Street; Councilman Granahan 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 2. Accept Bush-Lunger Resignation for Mowing Park:** Councilman Reimel motioned to accept the resignation from Bush-Lunger with deep regret; Councilman Granahan 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 3. Approve Newspaper Ad for Mowing Services at Park:** Councilman Reimel motioned to approve placing an ad for mowing services at Memorial Park; Councilman Granahan 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 4. Approve 4th of July Parade:** Councilman Reimel motioned to approve the 4th of July Parade to be held on Monday, July 4th; Councilman Herd 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

5. Approve Digital Board Spend: Councilman Herd motioned approval for signing contract to purchase a digital message board in the amount of twelve thousand seven hundred fifty-three dollars if purchased by April 30th; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Granahan asked the Secretary to call Pocono Signs and obtain a competitive quote before placing the order with Stewart Signs.

6. Approve Micro Surfacing Spend / Newspaper Ad: Councilman Reimel motioned to approve the roads for micro surfacing and the newspaper ad: Councilman Granahan 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

7. Approve T&L Spend / Newspaper Ad: Councilman Reimel motioned to approve the roads for Superpave Scratch and Leveling and the newspaper ad; Councilman Herd 2nd the motion. All in Favor, motion carried.

8. Approve Holbrook Landscaping Baseball Field: Councilman Herd motioned to approve Holbrook Landscaping bid of two thousand five hundred thirty dollars to repair field; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion Items

- 1. Upcoming Events – Blueberry Festival, Chocolate & Wine, Fireman’s Picnic:** Chocolate & Wine Festival will be called the Wine Walk and will take place on May 21st from noon to 5 p.m. Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 30th ; Fireman’s Picnic will take place on June 18th; 4th of July Parade, Activities on the Green, 5k and 10k race to be held on Monday the 4th and Blueberry Festival will be August 5th and 6th.
- 2. Susquehanna County EMA – SKYWARN Training:** Council did not say they would attend this training session.

Executive Session:

President Kelly closed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

President Kelly opened the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Council stated they will be holding a 2nd meeting on April 18th at 8:00 p.m. to address hiring a new part-time officer.

Old and Tabled Business

Council reviewed the sidewalk ordinance in their packet and will not review or change current ordinance at this time. Secretary will remove sidewalk ordinance off Old and Tabled Business along with the fence ordinance Attorney Briechele was supposed to be reviewing.

Councilman Granahan motioned to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Chamberlain 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Lillian T. Senko

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Borough Secretary

MONTROSE BOROUGH COUNCIL
2nd Meeting
April 18, 2022
8:00 PM

Vice President Ed Herd called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Adoption of Agenda: Councilman Todd Chamberlain motioned to adopt the agenda as presented; Councilman Randy Schuster 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Present for Roll Call: Ed Herd, Todd Chamberlain, Sean Granahan, Randy Schuster, Craig Reimel

Absent: Judy Kelly, Tom Follert

Other Officials Present: No other officials were present

Recognition of Attendees: None

Action Items:

- 1. Review Police Staffing:** Council reviewed a recent application for a part-time police officer submitted by Walter Meany. After careful review it was suggested hiring Mr. Meany at the recommended training pay grade and elevate to official office pay grade after a ninety-day trial period. He will also be obtaining his physical exam during this period.

Councilman Craig Reimel motioned to hire Walter Meany as part-time police officer who will have his credentials as of May 5th and can-do ride along with senior officers for his training period; Councilman Schuster 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Executive Session

No executive session was needed for this meeting.

Councilman Schuster motioned to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Reimel
2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned 8:17 PM

Minutes supplied to Secretary by Sean T. Granahan

Respectfully Submitted,

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