

MONTROSE BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
January 4, 2021
7:00 PM

President Sean Granahan called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Mayor LaMont said a prayer for guidance.

Adoption of Agenda: President Granahan questioned if anyone wanted to make any changes or additions to the Agenda. The following item was added: Action Item: #6. Remove Meters on Maple Street. Motion to accept agenda as amended by Councilman Randy Schuster; Councilman Craig Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: President Granahan inquired if there were any changes or corrections to the December 7, 2020 minutes. Motion was made to accept minutes as presented by Councilman Ed Herd; Councilwoman Judy Kelly 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Present for Roll Call: Sean Granahan, Judy Kelly, Ed Herd, Craig Reimel, Randy Schuster,

Absent: Todd Chamberlain, Tom Follert (arrived at 7:10 p.m.)

Other Officials Present: Lillian T. Senko, Secretary

Misc. Correspondence:

Beirne Wealth Consulting
RE: November 2020 Investment Report

PA Dept. of Environmental Protection
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President Granahan inquired if there were any questions or comments associated with the miscellaneous correspondence. No questions or comments.

Recognition of Attendees: Chief Dale Smith, Elizabeth Farley, Eric Overfield, Alicia Beardsley, John Arnold

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

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

Accounts Receivable/Deposits: President Granahan 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 Granahan asked if anyone had any questions or comments on the submitted Treasurer's Report. Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Councilman Reimel; Councilman Schuster 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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

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

Street Department Supervisor Ken DiPhillips did not attend the meeting, Councilman Reimel informed Council the department had been working very hard clearing up the snow. Supervisor DiPhillips is requesting walkie talkies for three trucks and they will be looking at a few companies to obtain pricing.

Zoning Report: President Granahan stated there was no Zoning Report submitted for the month of December.

Code Enforcement Report: President Granahan asked if anyone had any questions on report submitted by the Code Enforcement Officer. No questions or comments.

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

Councilwoman Kelly commended Chief Smith on the speedy process of updating the officers on Act 50, Police Reform Act and posting it in the department.

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

Mayor's Report: Mayor Tom LaMont stated he did not have anything to report for the Police Department. He said he had a meeting with the Fire Police Captain and they will be swearing in officers in the near future. After the swearing in ceremony the information will be forwarded to the borough office.

Executive Session

**President Granahan recessed the open meeting at 7:17 p.m.
President Granahan called to order the open meeting at 7:49 p.m.**

Following Executive Session the following motions were made:

Councilman Schuster motioned to approve Donald Carroll as Corporal; to dissolve the Police Committee and to transfer two hundred thousand dollars from the general account into the capital reserve account; Councilman Reimel 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Reimel motioned to approve pay increase of approximately three-point five percent to employees; Councilman Schuster 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Action Items:

- 1. Adopt Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations:**
Councilman Reimel motioned to adopt the presented Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations; Councilman Tom Follert 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 2. Swear In Civil Service Commission Members:** Mayor LaMont swore in Ed Herd as the Civil Service Commission Chairman; Eric Overfield as the Vice-Chairman and Alicia Beardsley as the Secretary.
- 3. Adopt 2021 IRS Reimbursement Rate \$0.58 Per Mile:**
Councilman Schuster motioned to adopt the 2021 IRS reimbursement rate of \$0.58 per mile; Councilwoman Kelly 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 4. Accept Resignation of Michael Lyden from ZHB:** Councilman Reimel motioned to accept the resignation of Michael Lyden from the Zoning Hearing Board with deep regret; Councilman Herd 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 5. Adopt Ordinance Amending Article IV Metered Parking Section §107.38:** Councilman Follert motioned to adopt Ordinance amending Article IV, §107.38 correcting the metered parking times listed in the Ordinance; Councilman Herd 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- 6. Remove Meters on Maple Street:** Councilman Follert motioned to start the process of removing the meters on Maple Street between Chenango Street and Pine Street on the north side; Councilman Herd 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion Items

- 1. Move Forward with New Garage:** Council discussed the need to build a new garage for the Street Department. Councilman Reimel will coordinate with Ken and look at various sites to see if it would be a design they would be interested in. Secretary will contact the Solicitor

to start the process with the DCED and contact USDA for the application.

- 2. Radar Sign for Grow Avenue:** Secretary will contact PennDot to see if radar signs have worked in other areas.

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

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 PM

Respectfully Submitted

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