**BEECH CREEK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 7, 2018**

**7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER** by President, William Kessinger

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Mayor Coakley swore in appointed councilmen Anthony Stopper (Tony)**

**ROLL CALL:** Council members present included Tim Bittner, Lynn Gray, Greg Small, and Craig Lindsey, Mayor Coakley, Mike English, Tony Stopper. Citizens in attendance Luke Peters Erin Robinson, Greg Nyman, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Eckley, and Bob Conway

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE July MEETING:** minutes will stand approved, voted unanimously

**REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** The financial statement was unanimously approved on a motion made by Craig Lindsey and second by Mike English, all in favor

**CITIZENS:**

Larry Eckley stated he is having major water trouble since February. He is asking for help to figure out where it is coming from. Clare Eckley stated it is a health hazard because it is always laying there. They believe it is coming from the pipe for emergency discharge at the well. Luke stated there is nothing that comes out of that pipe. Bill Kessinger stated we can look at it but not guaranteeing anything. Craig Lindsey stated as a homeowner he should talk to Marilyn Wagner and fix the issue himself. Bill Kessinger will talk to Clinton County Commissioners and Craig Lindsey will talk to Conservation District to see what they say. Bob Conway stated he just wanted to show pictures of the ditch that is full and won’t let water flow on Wynn Ave. Craig Lindsey stated we will have Pat McGhee look at the ditch and possibly clean it. Greg Nyman and Erin Robinson asked if there was any news on the Noise Exemption. Bill Kessinger explained that it is a longer process than anticipated, Bill asked the councilmen to take the papers from the solicitor home and review them and bring thoughts and questions to next meeting.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Coakley stated he would like to see all the council members at the birthday event on Saturday. The speaker will start at 4:00pm. He stated we will block streets off at 8:30am so vendors can set up. He stated the Wesleyan Church will be purchasing ice cream to give away at the event. Craig Lindsey made a motion to donate $75 to the church to help with purchase of ice cream, Greg Small second the motion, Mike English abstained from the vote, all in favor.

**STREETS:**

The paving job is complete. Craig Lindsey stated the job looks good. Bill Kessinger stated we received a report from Mark Hood regarding the speed limit on Maple Ave. report stated 25 MPH is the maximum it should be. Craig Lindsey asked Luke if Pat McGhee said anything about putting a bigger pipe in Keswin? Luke stated that Pat did say it would be beneficial to put a bigger pipe in. Luke questioned whether Pat was to look at the ditch beside the fire company. Craig asked council if the ditch does need cleaned what does council think. Bill Kessinger stated if it needs cleaned we should get a price.

**VEHICLE**:

Had to replace the battery in the dump truck

**RECREATION:**

Craig Lindsey stated that girls’ softball travel team will be using the field as a practice field. He stated the playground seemed to survive the rain we had. Some mulch washed away but not a lot.

**BUILDING:**

Your Home Energy completed the lighting in the borough building.

**EMPLOYEE RELATIONS:**

Mike English made a motion to appoint Joe Walker to the Authority, Tim Bittner second the motion, all in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Craig Lindsey stated there is still an issue at the Little League field with water. It comes off the hill by Melvin’s and is tremendous amounts. The ditch was completely full and starting to go over the road, Travis LaVelle had about 6 inches up on his garage. Craig stated he thinks Pat McGhee should look at it again. Have Pat look at the ditch behind Melvin’s and at the ballfield. Craig Lindsey stated the ditch on Wynn Ave does need cleaned out. Luke will talk to Pat.

**WATER/SEWER UPDATE:**

Craig Lindsey updated council on water/sewer. He stated there were some obstacles along the ditch that a letter was sent to the property owner. One owner is cooperating and will remove his fence and shed, the other owner stated they will not cut down trees. Craig stated there was an issue at the Sewer plant with the clarifier, it was broke and not functioning correctly, Condo’s Inc. came and rebuilt it. Craig explained to Council about the property being flooded in Keswin by the sewer pumps not being able to handle the water, it backed up into her basement. Authority is installing a check valve and manual valve to the line to try and prevent it from happening again.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mike English stated he has 2 properties that a letter needs to be sent regarding burn barrels. They have been burning in them and burning on Wednesdays and Sundays. Mayor Melvin Coakley asked Council if anyone noticed the camper in Main St. that someone is living in? He stated it is against the county ordinance and they cannot do that.

**CORRESPONDENCE & INSURANCE:**

**BILLS DUE:**

Mike English made a motion to pay the bills, Greg Small second the motion, all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on a motion by Greg Small, second by Mike English

Respectfully Submitted,

Roni Roan, Secretary