**BEECH CREEK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**November 13, 2018**

**7:00 p.m.**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Bill Kessinger**,** Tim Bittner, Lynn Gray, Greg Small, Craig Lindsey, Mayor Coakley, and Mike English, Tony Stopper Also, in attendance was Luke Peters, Leslie Olmstead, Ms. Meyers, Greg Nyman, Erin Robison

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 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 Greg Small, all in favor

**CITIZENS:**

Leslie Olmstead stated she owns property at 127 & 139 Maple Ave., she stated that the boro has never maintained the alley that they use to get to their property but is asking them to start. She said there is a hole at the bottom of the alley that some cars rub, also a hump in the middle. She also stated she doesn’t want her father at 70+ years to be removing snow from the alley. Craig Lindsey stated they will look into it. It was noted that Cain’s, Meyers, and Graham’s use the alley. Tim Bittner stated he will drive down to look at it in the morning. Greg Nyman asked council if there was any progress on the noise exemption. Bill Kessinger stated they went to the Boro Assoc dinner and talk to the group about it. They were informed that the County has a noise ordinance and they felt we can be added to that ordinance. If we can then we can go to PLCB about the exemption. Mayor Coakley stated that the County Planner told him we can get a copy of the ordinance and there was no reason why BC Boro can’t be added to the ordinance. Pete Smeltz is checking to see if we can be added and will get back to Bill Kessinger. Bill Kessinger stated he questioned to Commissioners why it would be their jurisdiction and not ours.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Coakley stated that the camper in the yard on Main Street now has lights on at 4:00 in the morning and a stove and believes someone is living in it. He will talk to Solicitor about the legality of it. Mike English stated mobile homes are not allowed in boro but he didn’t look up travel trailer. Melvin stated he believes for it to be legal it must be connected to sewer system. Mayor Coakley said there was a pot hole at Wynn Ave that need filled in. Luke Peters stated that was Township property and their responsibility to fix it. Mayor Coakley had a complaint that garbage was blowing from Lyken Market onto neighboring property. Mayor Coakley talked to Chris Lykens about it. Chris put a fenced in area around his dumpster to stop the litter. It was also noted that a customer was seen coming out of the store and crumpled up his receipt, tossing it on the ground which isn’t anything Chris Lykens can control. Mayor Coakley stated there was a truck parked at Take A Peek Inn in the NO Parking zone. He will talk with Greg Nyman about it. Mayor Coakley talked to the Uni Mart about using their power for Christmas lights, he stated they want no part of it. He will talk to Bud Gundlach at the BC Hotel. He also said council should look into a drop from Copperhead to UniMart with a timer and lock box so we can use it every year.

Mayor Coakley told Luke to let him know when they want to hang the lights, he will help.

Mayor Coakley requested an Executive Session to discuss a matter. He also stated that he had the police here twice about vehicle at the Little League field, one night there was 17 cars there said they were having bond fires. He called Josh Fravel, President of the Little League and spoke to him about it. Josh stated he would put a chain across the road but as of tonight it has not been there. Melvin stated they have been coming every weekend. Bill Kessinger asked if we had jurisdiction over the ball field since it is private owned fields. No one knew.

**STREETS:**

Craig Lindsey stated he asked the employees to put stones on the alley on Fairview St. Luke Peters stated they installed all the signs but that they have to talked to Keith Bittner about the Reduce Speed sign that is on township property. He called but Keith has not returned his call yet. Luke stated they filled in some pot holes and along the berm by the Legion. Bill Kessinger asked if they were ready on the salt. Luke stated they were prepared.

**VEHICLE:**

Greg Small stated that Melvin was going to talk to Brad Coakley about doing a once over on all the trucks to see if they need anything.

**RECREATION:**

Craig Lindsey stated the bathrooms were locked and winterized after the Santa Jump.

**BUILDING:**

Nothing

**EMPLOYEE RELATIONS:**

Nothing

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Bill Kessinger asked council’s wishes on the budget for 2019. Craig Lindsey made a motion to pass the budget as prepared, Mike English second the motion, all in favor. Budget for 2019 is passed. Greg Small gave an update on the Santa Jump that was held on November 10th. He stated overall it was well attended even though Santa didn’t jump because of the wind. They donated $2500 each to Fire Company and Friendship Community Center. Bill Kessinger stated that he was approached by Mr. Berry about the letter he received from boro about burn outs. Bill Kessinger wanted to give the Fire Police a big thank you for the work they did on Halloween night. They did a great job and council appreciates it.

**WATER/SEWER UPDATE:**

Craig Lindsey updated council on water and sewer.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bill Kessinger asked Mike English if Ms. Grove has contacted him about the property, she had questions about. Mike stated she did but that it was not big enough to build on and that she could ask for a variance but there is no guarantee it would pass. Greg Small made a motion to move January’s meeting from the 1st to January 8th, Tony Stopper second the motion, all in favor.

**CORRESPONDENCE & INSURANCE:**

Council passed on putting an ad in the Economic Partnership book.

**BILLS DUE:**

Craig Lindsey made a motion to pay the bills, Mike English second the motion, all in favor

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to an Executive Session on a motion by Mike English, second by Craig Lindsey. Resume meeting at 7:40pm Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Greg Small, second by Tim Bittner

Respectfully Submitted,

Roni Roan, Secretary