**BEECH CREEK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 5, 2019**

**7:00 p.m.**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Bill Kessinger**,** Lynn Gray, Greg Small, Craig Lindsey, Mike English, Tony Stopper, and Melvin Coakley. Also, in attendance was Luke Peters, Roy Orndorf

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 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:**

Roy Orndorf was here on behalf of Clinton LL Girls Softball, he requested permission to use the field for games. Craig Lindsey gave permission. Roy stat that he went to the field to do some inventory, at the field, he noted that the back half of the dugout was damaged, left field line foul pole was knocked over, 4-wheeler ripped up the field. Roy asked if they could put signs up, Craig stated that would be fine. Roy stated they will be getting dirt on the field. Craig gave him the name of the company we normally get it from. Craig stated the borough would help out with the dirt. Roy stated that a business man approached about putting lights on the field and wanted to know if that would be ok. Craig Lindsey stated that before anything happens to let him know so he can talk to council about it. Roy stated they will be putting a new lock on the concession stand, secretary asked if we could have a key due to the security camera that are in the building.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Coakley stated that council really needs to adopt a new vehicle ordinance for the borough. He counted 25-30 vehicles and that was just a few places, that were not registered or inspected setting around the borough. Mayor stated the garbage is still there even after being served papers by Constable. Mayor Coakley stated he is still working on getting reimbursed for the truck issue.

**STREETS:**

Nothing

**VEHICLE:**

Nothing

**RECREATION:**

Nothing

**BUILDING:**

Lynn Gray stated that there are new emergency lights, exit signs, and a smoke alarm now in the building. The garage needs a more expensive light, she asked councils thoughts on whether to proceed with purchasing them or not. Council stated to go ahead with the purchase.

**EMPLOYEE RELATIONS:**

Nothing

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Bill Kessinger stated the quote from General Code is $9068 to recodify the ordinances. Lynn Gray stated that before that happens council should form a committee to go over the ordinances and update them accordingly. Bill stated we should table the recodify till we get ordinances updated. Bill Kessinger stated that Melvin, Lynn and Tony can be the committee for ordinance committee. Bill Kessinger asked council’s position on the noise ordinance that Larry Coploff talked about at last meeting. Craig Lindsey made a motion to allow Larry to proceed with a Noise Ordinance for the borough. Tony Stopper second the motion, all in favor. Secretary will contact Larry and let him know to proceed. Bill Kessinger stated to make sure he put that the Mayor is the enforcer of ordinance.

**WATER/SEWER UPDATE:**

Craig Lindsey updated council on what’s happening with authority

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Joleen Hindman talked to secretary about a program that West Penn will switch all streetlights in boro to LED lights at no cost. Secretary asked council if they were interested in this program, Greg Small made a motion to proceed with the program, Lynn Gray second the motion, all in favor. Craig Lindsey made a motion to have Spring Clean Up day on May 4th, Mike English second the motion, all in favor.

Secretary stated someone called Luke Peters asking about doing community service with the borough, secretary stated she didn’t know how council felt about that. Bill Kessinger asked if Randy or Luke had any problems with it, they do not. Mike English made a motion to allow community service under Randy and Luke’s supervision, Craig Lindsey second the motion, all in favor.

Lynn Gray asked council if they could have a Junior Council Program. Lynn explained to council about the program. JCP should be a borough resident, the interested applicant (student) should write a letter of interest to borough council outlining why they want to be a JCP, JCP may be appointed to one-or two-year terms, attendance is required at monthly meetings, JCPs cannot vote or participate in executive session. Craig Lindsey made a motion to participate in this program, Greg Small second the motion, all in favor. Bill Kessinger stated we would need a Resolution for this. Craig Lindsey asked who cleans the building. Bill Kessinger stated maybe when weather breaks maybe have a service come in and clean it. Lynn Gray will get quotes for next meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE & INSURANCE:**

Invitation to Open House at Piper Building

**BILLS DUE:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. on a motion by Greg Small, second by Tony Stopper, all in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Roni Roan, Secretary