**BEECH CREEK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**May 7, 2019**

**7:00 p.m.**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Lynn Gray, Greg Small, Mike English, Tim Bittner, Craig Lindsey, Tony Stopper, and Melvin Coakley. Also, in attendance Justin Kline, Alan Uhler, and Luke Peters

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 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:**

Justin Kline wanted to get an update on things that were started when he was Mayor. He stated about the house on Harrison St. with garbage and cars. Mayor Coakley stated that it was being handled now by our attorney through the criminal process. Justin asked if a dog leash ordinance has been established yet? Bill Kessinger stated that we are in the process of updating and getting ordinances recodified , the dog leash is one we talked about. Justin also asked why council won’t allow groups to hold meetings in the boro building any longer. Lynn Gray stated that council decided it was best because they could not secure the garage door from inside so there was a potential of theft of tools etc. Bill Kessinger added that a group that used the building left it a mess with mud tracked all through it and the bathroom was a mess, so council decided it was best to stop it all together. Justin thanked council for their explanation. Alan Uhler was here to talk to council about the storm sewer project on Fairview St. he stated that there will be 20 inlets, 800’ of 15” pipe and 400’ of 12’ pipe. His estimate for the project is approx. $350,000. Bids will be posted asap and opened at the Water/Sewer meeting in June. (see more under Old Business)

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Coakley stated the Memorial Day parade will be held May 27th at 10:00am. Mayor Coakley asked if anything has been done to the driveways on Vesper St. that needed fixed from the paving job. Craig Lindsey stated that they have been fixed.

**STREETS:**

Vesper St. driveways have been fixed by Hawbaker’s.

**VEHICLE:**

Nothing

**RECREATION:**

Craig Lindsey informed council that Pat McGhee dug the ditch by the LL ballfield, a neighbor in that area called the Conservation District and complained. The Conservation District came and looked at what was done. They stated we need to put rocks in the ditch, seed it and put straw on it. Luke and Randy did the seeding and had Pat McGhee help with the rocks. The Conservation District will be back with DEP to inspect and see whether enough was done.

**BUILDING:**

Lynn Gray stated to council that she received 3 quotes on cleaning. She asked what council thought was best to do it monthly or quarterly, Craig Lindsey made a motion to have someone clean building quarterly on trial basis till the end of the year, Tony Stopper second the motion, all in favor. Lynn also stated that she had a quote from S&H to clean carpet at $80. Greg Small made a motion to have carpets cleaned bi annually, Lynn Gray second the motion, all in favor. Secretary will contact S&H and schedule a time for after the election. During the meeting it was noticed by members that the AC was very loud, Lynn will call Redmond’s and have someone look at it.

**EMPLOYEE RELATIONS:**

Nothing

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Lynn Gray gave an update on the meeting with Michael Peters from General Code on what they can do with our ordinance. Melvin Coakley, Lynn and secretary were at this meeting. After discussion Craig Lindsey stated that he would like a quote on how many payments can be made to the company if they have this done. The cost of doing it could be about $12,000, Craig feels we need something in writing on how we can pay. Alan Uhler, Engineer will send secretary an Engineers Estimate on both the water line project and storm sewer project so Authority and Council can talk with the bank about financing. Once secretary receives the information, she will set up a meeting with First National Bank. Alan stated that he will talk with the solicitors for both water and council about a Memorandum of Understanding since the project will be done jointly. Mike English made a motion for permission granted to solicitors to do the MOU, Greg Small second the motion, all in favor. Alan also asked for a motion for him to go ahead and advertise the bid on council’s behalf, Mike English made a motion to allow Alan to advertise the bid, Tim Bittner second the motion, all in favor. Alan will get the projects advertised asap and plan to open bids at June 3 Authority meeting.

**WATER/SEWER UPDATE:**

Craig Lindsey updated council on what’s happening with authority.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bill Kessinger stated he has a Resolution from Larry Coploff that needs signed so he can start the process for PLCB. Craig Lindsey made a motion to sign the Resolution, Lynn Gray second the motion, all in favor. Resolution signed. Mayor Coakley stated that the pothole opened up again on Wynn Ave. Craig Lindsey stated they will asphalt it when they do the other areas. Council members discussed the water on Monument Orviston Rd being pumped out to the street. Council discussed different ways it might be alleviated. Craig Lindsey made a motion to send a letter to property owner and ask to re-route the sump pump pipes to keep from being onto the street and if the boro can help they will, Tim Bittner second the motion, Tony Stopper and Lynn Gray opposed the motion as they felt it was setting a precedence to other residents. Motion carried. Mayor Coakley showed council members the vault he created for the time capsule.

**CORRESPONDENCE & INSURANCE:**

Time Out

EMS Week

**BILLS DUE:**

Craig Lindsey made a motion to pay the bills, Lynn Gray second the motion, all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. on a motion by Greg Small, second by Mike English, all in favor

Respectfully Submitted,

Roni Roan, Secretary