UNIONVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING – July 1, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Unionville Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Allen Runkle at the Unionville Borough building located at 221 Allegheny Street, Julian, PA. Council members present included: Allen Runkle, Alisha Barton, Bob Fisher, Brian McAfee. Members absent were Gary Dean, Fred Ream and Denny Johnson. Also present was Mayor Mimi (Angelica) Wutz, Renee Swancer, Secretary/Treasurer, Ann Carras, Water Rent Collector, Claude Confer, Darrel Hockenberry, Joanne Santamaria and Karen Drosnes from Fair Districts.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

<u>Fair Districts</u>: Joanne Santamaria gave a presentation and showed maps and areas where municipalities have adopted the resolution compared to last year. Two-thirds of the population is supporting compared to 50% last year. The resolution states that politicians should not draw the lines which discourages people from running and voting. The movement is growing to support the resolution. The 2020 census maps will be drawn. In District 7 in Philadelphia, it was originally drawn compact, now the district looks like Pluto chasing Donald Duck. Reading, PA is one of the poorest areas in the country. Their needs are not meet because of the districting. Centre County is considered a cracked county because there are four districts. Last year, there was a gerrymander walk through three legislative districts in 2.5 miles and most people didn't even know what districts they were located in. Fair Districts is advocating for a citizen's commission to draw the lines which will be transparent, impartial and fair. The Commission will be vetted, no lobbyists. It will be fair because it will be open. Public review and input will be provided. She noted the Pennsylvania State Association of Borough's as accepted the resolution. Council thanked Joanne for coming and will review the resolution later in the meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes of June 3, 2019 meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Fisher moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Fisher moved to approve the June 2019 payables and accept the Treasurer's Report. Mr. McAfee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

WATER REPORT

Ms. Carras presented her Water Collector's Report and discussed it with Council. Mr. Runkle noted the three meters that were unable to be read are now uncovered. Ms. Carras noted a property on Apple Street may be sold at a sheriff sale. Council asked Ms. Carras to contact Mr. Green, the Solicitor, to discuss. Mr. McAfee moved to accept the water collector's report. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets- Streets were discussed under NEW BUSINESS.

Trees - It was noted a tree near the playground may need to be removed.

<u>Water</u> – Council noted it received an additional \$3,970 in Community Development Block Grant funds to help fund software implementation and a meter reader. Ms. Barton moved to purchase from EAP Industries the \$3,000 for software implementation and the \$900 for the meter reader as funded by the grant. Mr. McAfee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

Mr. Runkle said the generator is working well and functioning as it should.

Health & Sanitation - No report.

Police - Council noted the State Police have been in town patrolling.

Building -No report.

Zoning, Code and Planning – No report.

<u>Maintenance</u> – Mr. Runkle noted a new weed trimmer was purchased to replace the old one which may not be able to be repaired.

<u>Mayor</u>- Ms. Wutz's stated the park looks good and she is concerned about Gary Cain Sr. parking in the Community Center parking lot with all his vehicles and trailers. Council acknowledged that Will Barton has done many improvements to the home he purchased and it is an improvement to the Borough.

<u>Parks & Recreation-</u> Mr. Runkle noted concrete cement will be placed around the flag poles.

Fire Company – No report.

Mid Center Authority – Ms. Wutz noted the Runville infiltration into the sewer line is bad.

<u>Emergency Management</u> – No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Repairs to Roads. Council noted several areas need pavement repairs in the Borough. Mr. McAfee will contact Asphalt Doctor and Mr. Runkle will speak to John Claar Excavating, the contractor doing work on Unionville Pike for Union Township. Mr. Runkle will coordinate the repairs. Ms. Barton moved to approve up to \$3,000 to pavement repairs within the Borough to the lowest proposal. Mr. McAfee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

<u>Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority</u>, <u>Letter dated 6-14-2019 regarding recycling funds being used by the State.</u>
Council asked the Secretary to obtain more information regarding the letter.

<u>Bellefonte EMS, letter dated 6-19-2019, upcoming meeting regarding funding.</u> Mr. Runkle noted he may be attending the meeting.

<u>Baseball fields – Dan Maney:</u> Council acknowledge his request to schedule and meeting and will await to hear from Mr. Maney.

Gerrymandering Resolution: Ms. Barton moved to approve the resolution. Mr. McAfee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

OLD BUINESS

<u>Picnic Tables for Park:</u> Mr. Runkle noted there are picnic tables at Lowes for \$99.00 each suitable for the pavilions at the park. Ms. Barton moved to purchase four (4) picnic tables. Mr. McAfee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

Mid Centre Authority 2018 Audit. Council acknowledged receipt of the audit.

Centre County Tax Agency 2018 Audit. Council acknowledged receipt of the audit.

CORRESPONDENCE

Water Obstruction and Encroachment Inspection Report, dated 6-12-2019

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McAfee moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – absent

Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – yes

Respectfully submitted by:

Renee Swancer
Secretary/Treasurer