

**UNIONVILLE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING – August 5, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Unionville Borough Council was called to order at 7:06 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, Fred Ream, and Bob Fisher. Members absent were Gary Dean, Brian McAfee and Denny Johnson. Also present was Mayor Mimi (Angelica) Wutz, Renee Swancer, Secretary/Treasurer, Ann Carras, Water Rent Collector, Claude Confer, and Darrel Hockenberry.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

MINUTES

The minutes of July 1, 2019 meeting were presented for approval. Ms. Barton moved to approve the minutes with one correction being the word “trimming” should be “trimmer” on page 2. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Barton moved to approve the July 2019 payables and accept the Treasurer’s Report. Mr. Ream seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

WATER REPORT

Ms. Carras presented her Water Collector’s Report and discussed it with Council. Ms. Carras said the Cain account will hopefully be resolved. Council is also fine with Ms. Carras providing a letter to the property owner along Buttonwood that water service will be available once: (1) the temporary mobile home is removed; or (2) all proper permits have been obtained and inspections made for the property along Buttonwood for whatever type of home is constructed. This property is the old Shawley property. Council stated a mobile home is being currently stored on the property.

Ms. Carras provided the aging summary of billing and several accounts are approaching shut-off notices. Ms. Carras also stated she made several changes to the water invoices to hopefully clarify the amount due for each invoice. Mr. Ream moved to accept the water collector’s report. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets- Mr. Runkle said four (4) areas were patched by John Claar Excavating within the Borough and the cost as previously approved by Council was \$3,000. Mr. Runkle added trimming on High Street will need done.

Trees - It was noted a tree near the playground has not been removed yet.

Water – Mr. Runkle noted a water leak was found at the end of Centre Street. PA Rural Water has been contacted to pinpoint the leak. Mr. Ream added the Borough needs to start putting aside for water infrastructure improvements.

Health & Sanitation – Mr. Runkle noted the property at 241 Buttonwood is being cleaned up.

Police – No report.

Building – Council discussed the parking situation in front of the Community Center. Several adjoining residents are using the community parking area for private parking or storing their items in the parking lot. Council discussed how to address the situation. It was decided that Mr. Lesniak would be contacted to further discuss and Mr. Runkle will talk to the adjoining property owner.

Zoning, Code and Planning – Council acknowledged receipt of the July 2019 report.

Maintenance – These items were discussed during the meeting.

Mayor- Ms. Wutz asked if Mr. McCool could take a level reading of the well.

Parks & Recreation- Council noted the walking trails at the park look very good

Fire Company – No report.

Mid Center Authority – Mr. Confer noted the Authority is still working on the infiltration problems within their system.

Emergency Management – No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Snow Removal Bids. Mr. Ream brought up the question if it would be feasible for the Borough to rent snow removal equipment and would it be cost effective? Council decided to see how the bids come back at the next meeting. Mr. Ream moved to place the snow bids out for advertisement for bid opening at the next meeting, September 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM. Ms. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

DEP Monthly Water Reading Report. The Secretary explained the current water reading reporting to the DEP and how the Borough currently uses Todd Giddings and Associates for this service. DEP is now requiring two additional areas to be read within the Borough to be reported every other month. The Secretary contacted Todd Giddings and Associates and it will not cost the Borough any additional fees to add this reading to the current scheduled reading. The alternative solution would be the Borough would assume all responsibility for reporting to the DEP. Council decided to continue using Todd Giddings & Associates to perform the service. Ms. Barton moved to keep Todd Giddings & Associates to perform the required DEP monthly readings. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

Baseball Fields: Mr. Runkle noted he and Ms. Barton met with Dennis Maney to discuss the baseball fields at the park. The League has a contractor that has offered to donate leveling out the field so it would be available for usage in the Fall. Council agreed with the recommendations and expressed its appreciation for the work to be performed.

OLD BUSINESS

Picnic Tables for Park: It was noted the picnic tables were not yet purchased.

Bellefonte Emergency Medical Services. Council discussed the recent correspondence received from Bellefonte Emergency Medical Services and their shortfalls in funding. Council agreed to provide a donation of \$100.00 at this time and if funds become available at the end of the year, the Borough may donate additional funding. Ms. Barton moved to provide to Bellefonte Emergency Medical Service a donation of \$100.00. Mr. Ream seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ream moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 PM. Ms. Barton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Mr. Runkle – yes Mr. Dean – absent Mr. Ream – yes
Mr. Fisher – yes Ms. Barton – yes Mr. Johnson – absent Mr. McAfee – absent

Respectfully submitted by:

Renee Swancer

Secretary/Treasurer