



MINUTES

Rimersburg Borough Council Meeting

Date | time November 4, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. | Meeting called by Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Council: Roger Crick, ~~Pam Curry~~, Mark Deeter, ~~Scott Myers~~, Dan Stewart, T. L. Stewart, Timothy Yeany, ~~Ken Corle~~ / Mayor

Also Present: Chief Bob Malnofsky/ New Bethlehem Police Dept.; Josh Walzak/ Leader Vindicator

Call to Order

The November 4, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Roger Crick at 7:03 p.m. with all present standing for the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer led by Mark.

Persons to Be Heard

Frank was not present as he was on vacation. Council members reviewed the October water report Frank had provided in advance.

in answer to Council & solicitor questions from the previous meeting with regard to the Davis driveway, there is a history of issues with storm water down driveway before recent paving of Baker St. and there is no previous measurement or engineer data to establish comparison.

Frank has designated clean up days to be next Mon., 11/11/2019 & Mon., 11/18/2019 for brush, grass, and leaves. All leaves and grass are to be bagged, sticks/ twigs to be bundled and curbside by early morning. Tim made a motion to designate the aforementioned as Clean Up Days, seconded by T. L., and approved by a unanimous vote.

The Community Building chairs were returned to the main room from the basement by the renters who had forgotten them. They performed the task willingly with pleasant demeanor. Staff requested the deposit be revoked as there has been no other issue since removed previously. Two Council members asked if there was feedback from the public on the deposit policy. There was none as it has not yet been The request died for lack of a motion.

In response to Frank's request at the previous meeting to ask fireman again to clean up their belongings from the basement of the Community Building, Roger checked and found that it has not yet been done. T. L. made a motion to write the firemen a letter asking them to please remove all items from the basement within 60 days so that the building is ready for planned projects. Dan gave his motion a second and it was approved with a unanimous vote.

Chief Bob reviewed the Oct. police report with Council. T. L. asked about 2 cars at a house across from the post office and Chief responded that a letter has been sent. It was also brought to police attention that there is a pool behind a house with blue lights across from Purity that has been dormant for approximately five years. However, it is still filled with water.

The quarterly police meeting is scheduled for this Wed., Nov. 6, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Korner Restaurant.

Chief Bob mentioned that the police department is waiting for results on the National K-9 grant vote to see if they are eligible for one of the grants. They also have some fundraisers planned. There was much interest and discussion as questions were asked and answered. Drug detection is top priority and can be trained younger, then at about 2 years old, tracking is trained. The maximum work life expected for a K-9 is roughly 5 years. Their goal is to raise approximately \$17,000 through donations of funds and specific items and gear needed.

Chief was thankful for the communication between the police department and the Boroughs during the rescheduling of Trick or Treat due to Tornado Warning. The police department is looking into a site called Nixel that will help inform police and the public and he also looks forward to using the Facebook page more.

There was brief discussion at a couple of different points in the meeting regarding a previous question on the speed limit being different at the edge of town depending upon which direction you were heading. General consensus was reached that officers could enforce as always have in the present state.

Roger showed Council members a picture of the speed limit sign he had encountered with an electronic speed notification mounted below it proposing that it might be a good idea for the Borough.

Approval of Minutes

The October 7, 2019 minutes were read and approved by a motion from T. L. Stewart, second by Tim Yeany, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

Bank Account balances were shown plainly on reports provided for Council review. T. L. Stewart made a motion to pay the bills, that was seconded by Scott Myers, and carried by unanimous vote.

Mark made a motion to approve the preliminary 2020 Budget for advertisement and inspection by the public. His motion received a second from Tim and a unanimous vote in favor.

The following invoices were presented for payment from EADS Group, the Borough Engineer: Inv. 226698 = \$1,989.01 Comm. Bldg. CDBG grant prep. and presentation; and Inv. 226697 = \$488.25 misc. tasks related to effluent flow meter repair, download data from meter, coordinate leasing replacement meter. T. L. made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Mark, and approved with a unanimous vote.

General consensus was in favor of continuing the tradition of giving each of the 4 full-time employees a \$25 gift certificate to Tom's Riverside for Thanksgiving and again at Christmas.

Committee Reports

Personnel Committee: An AFLAC representative stopped in to offer coverage plans for Borough employees and Council members. Some Council members took packets to review as well as the Personnel Committee members.

Public Safety: None

Building Committee: None

Streets Committee: A fireman brought to Dan's attention that there is no sign for winter parking near the house before Heeter Lumber and it was believed there is supposed to be one there. After some discussion, general consensus was that Streets and Police Committees will coordinate with Frank, discover whether residents in that area have alternate parking available and the need for the sign.

Unfinished Business

None

Correspondence

After the Borough's letter to Commissioner Tharan informing him of the need for 2 generators, one smaller for the Community Building and one 200KW for the Water Pump Station, in a disaster such as a power outage, we received a letter and form from Clarion County to complete and submit. They will submit our completed form along with our letter to apply for funding. Their letter only mentioned one size generator, the size that would be compatible with the Community Building, not the Water Pump Station. The Authority will again look at previous pricing provided by EADS and contact a possible lead for used generators to come into compliance with the requirements of the Uninterrupted System Service Plan. A Corrective Action Plan must be submitted by 02/19/2020 including back up generator information.

New Business

Brad Salizzoni and Dave Morganti are requesting that the Borough abandon Ramsey Alley between them and return it to the property owners (them) or split it evenly between them if was not originally property owners.' General consensus reached to research previous abandoned roadways for procedure. Tim made a motion to proceed with the research including consulting the solicitor for his expertise on the matter. T. L. seconded his motion and it received a unanimous vote in favor.

Fire hydrant fees have not been received from Brady Twp. or Madison Twp. for the third quarter. This matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Tim volunteered to review bank statements and corresponding paperwork in the near future.

The next budget work session will be Mon., Dec. 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Monday, December 16, 2019 | 7:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by general consensus.
Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida
Borough Secretary