



MINUTES

Rimersburg Borough Council Meeting

Date / time Apr. 19, 2021 | 7:00 p.m. | Meeting called by Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

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

Also Present: Chief Bob Malnofsky/ New Beth. Police Dept.; Josh Walzak/ Leader Vindicator; Frank McNaughton, Boro. Maint. Sup.

Call to Order

The April 19, 2021 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Scott Myers at 7:02 p.m. with all present standing for the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer led by Mark.

Persons to Be Heard

Frank reviewed the previous month's water report.

Public Alerts for water service off and possible brown or rusty water during and after the Heeter Lumber water upgrade were sent a couple of weeks ago. ISO hydrant flow testing alert to be sent tomorrow for Wed., 04/21/2021 to warn of possible brown or rusty water.

Brush clean up days are scheduled for Mon., May 3, 2021 and Mon., May 10, 2021.

Chief Bob reviewed the previous month's police report and answered the previous meeting's questions on Police regionalization. Many of the items are to be decided by the appointed board members. Each municipality appoints one board member and one alternate. The board may then decide to stay with one member each or go to two. If the Borough moves forward this evening with regionalization, they would appoint these now to serve to the end of the year, appoint again in January. (See Police Committee below for further discussion.)

Cops & Bobbers event is May 15, 2021 at Gumtown Park beginning with fish stocking at 8:00 a.m. Game Commission to present on catching and tracking a bear. Their Plan B presentation is dogs that recover spent casings, etc.

Approval of Minutes

The March 1, 2021 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Mark Deeter, second by Pam Curry, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

Bank Account balances were shown plainly on reports provided for Council review. Mark made a motion to pay the bills and renew the maintenance agreement for the RICOH copier with Clarion Office Equipment. Jeff Kaetzel seconded his motion, and it carried by unanimous vote in favor.

Committee Reports

Mayor: The Police Association is planning a softball tournament this summer as a fund raiser in Rimersburg. Tim asked if the Police Association could meet in the Borough Building in turns. General consensus was in favor with reservations made with Borough Secretary to prevent schedule conflicts.

Also, Tim has not yet met with District Magistrate Jeff Miller on ordinance enforcement fines issues per police complaint. He will call the office and arrange to meet with Mag. Miller.

Personnel Committee: Roger proposed the committee meet to discuss the part-time secretarial position. Asked Boro. Sec. to attend to contribute qualifications needed.

Public Safety: Police Regionalization is a three year commitment per Mark. Consensus around the table was in favor, members especially desiring having police presence as opposed to having no police presence.

Mark made a motion that Rimersburg Borough become a member of the Regional Police Department, Pam seconded, and the motion received a unanimous vote in favor.

Roger made a motion to appoint Time Yeany as board member and Mark Deeter as alternate until the end of 2021. Pam gave his motion a second and it carried with a unanimous vote.

Building Committee: The signed CDBG Community Building Project agreement with Clarion County has been received. The Engineering Agreement was presented for signature for this project from EADS Group. General consensus was in favor of signing as Council has already approved the project in applying for the awarded grant funds.

Streets Committee: Pam and any interested Council will meet with Frank to assess Borough streets for tar & chip projects. An eye will be kept on the expected costs for 2022 Chestnut Street Paving and Widening Project as well winter materials and wages for 2021 and 2022.

A portion of curb on Route 68 near Bauer-Hillis Funeral Home is leaning. Heeter Lumber has estimated completing the replacement/ repair work for not more than \$2,000.00. Council members questioned whether this was not PennDOT responsibility. PennDOT plans to pave Route 68 in Rimersburg in 2022. Members present noted that Sligo and East Brady Boroughs both got new curbs when their state roads were paved. Frank to contact PennDOT to find out. Motion Pam, second Jeff, that if the curb is confirmed to be the Borough's responsibility, move forward with repair/ replacement with Heeter Lumber estimate. Motion carried with a unanimous vote in favor.

Unfinished Business

None. No news on Borough survey status begun 2019.

Correspondence

None.

New Business

No funds have yet been received from American Rescue Plan. Direct payments will be made in two disbursements – 1st within 60 days of enactment and the 2nd, one year later. States have 30 days to distribute payments to smaller non-entitlement municipalities that do not receive direct allocations from the federal government. First of two installments totaling \$87,000.00 allotted to Rimersburg Borough expected roughly middle of June.

Vacant Property Ordinance sample from Montrose Borough to be emailed to Council members again with minutes and agenda or review.

Adjournment

Monday, May 3, 2021 | 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 8:10 p.m. by general consensus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida

Borough Secretary