



MINUTES

Rimersburg Borough Council Meeting

Date | time June 7, 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: Officer Taylor Smith/ New Beth. Police Dept.; Josh Walzak/ Leader Vindicator; Frank McNaughton, Boro. Maint. Sup.; Dave Wolfe/ Riverview Intermediate Unit 6: School to Work Program

Call to Order

The June 7, 2021 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Scott Myers at 7:01 p.m. with all present standing for the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer led by Mark Deeter.

Persons to Be Heard

Frank reviewed the previous month's water report. Just under 700,000 gallons of water lost each of the last two months. Lower average than history.

Yellow and white paint for lines, curbs, crosswalks, and parking spots is scarce. White is available at Heeter Lumber for \$120 more than Sherwin-Williams' typical price for 30 gallons. Yellow cannot be obtained at present, there is a waiting list. General consensus in favor of purchasing and painting cross walks and parking spots with available white.

Frank has not yet shopped for a dump truck, but plans to.

PennDOT placed a One Call for design phase of milling and replacing amount of surface milled on Route 68 in town in either 2022 or 2023. There was discussion of two neighboring Boroughs, Sligo and East Brady, getting new curbing during their recent PennDOT paving projects and the advanced age of the storm drains (75 years old) along the State Route 68 being paved. Frank encouraged Council to contact PennDOT with their concerns. Tim volunteered to compose a letter with the points of concern. Members suggested sending to PA Rep. Donna Oberlander and PA Senator Scott Hutchinson.

Office Taylor Smith reviewed the police report. A Council member brought brush, and low hanging brush ordinance to his attention, that there were many current violations throughout town.

Dave Wolfe, of Riverview IU6 School to Work Program, presented the program and its benefits to Council members. Workers are students ages 16-21 with disabilities that, with Council approval, will be trained by the Borough staff for 8 weeks, 20 hours per week, to do various duties associated with the position assigned. There are two males available for Borough Maintenance and one female available for office work. They will have a supervisor who will accompany them and be primarily with the males, but check in on the female. The IU6 program pays them, provides insurance, etc. and the job location provides the training. **Roger made a motion to approve Borough participation in the program, seconded by Pam, and approved with a unanimous vote.** Workers will begin Mon., 06/14/2021.

Kelly Fair requests use of the Community Bldg. once per month for a game night for folks from the Senior Center. She expects 20-25 people and asks what Council will charge per use. They are aware they would provide their own toilet paper, paper towels, hand soap, and garbage bags. For comparison, the Line Dancers donate \$1/person attending each time they meet and are on their honor to submit this donation. General consensus was very much in favor of this activity and Council asks that the game night group itself decide upon a fair donation for each use to make to the Borough Office.

Approval of Minutes

The May 3, 2021 minutes were read and approved by a motion from Mark, second by Roger Crick, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

Bank Account balances were shown plainly on reports provided for Council review. To date, have received 91% total budgeted 2021 taxes, 81.9% of total billed. General Fund Statement of Revenues & Expenditures available for review. Water, Sewer, Highway Aid reports not available at this time as we are currently converting to new accounting software. Roger made a motion to pay the bills that was seconded by Dan Stewart and carried by unanimous vote.

Committee Reports

Mayor: Tim spoke with one of the private owners of the former Rimersburg elementary School property, Chad Shirey, about the playground, per 05/03/2021 meeting. They are definitely interested in keeping the playground in the community.

There have been complaints and reports of damage to the slides to the mayor and at least one Council member from people who claim to know who did it. Tim, with council support, asked the paper to make the community aware that they should report vandalism or abuse, inappropriate behavior to the police on the non-emergency line (if non-emergency) and provide phone number. Josh agreed.

Tim also spoke with District Magistrate Miller about enforcement of ordinances with prescribed fines once police bring violations to him. Judge Miller assured Tim he would strive to better carry out this duty.

Personnel Committee: Part Time Secretary job description and advertisement are being developed.

Public Safety: None

Building Committee: None

Streets Committee: Frank shared phone bids with Council for the 2021 Seal Coat Project. The PennDOT estimate was low enough that three phone bids could be obtained. Bids obtained were consistent with PennDOT's estimate. Jefferson Paving was the lowest bid at \$13,231.62. **Roger made a motion to award the 2021 Seal Coat Project to Jefferson Paving. His motion received a second from Pam Curry and a unanimous vote in favor.**

Unfinished Business

Possible uses for American Rescue Plan Funds were reviewed. \$46,106.79 is expected some time this month in the first of two installments, one this year and the other next year. The total amount allocated to Rimersburg Borough has increased slightly from \$87,000 to \$92,213.58. Ideas mentioned were Community Building basement cleanup after CDBG Project completion and water and sewer projects. Previous estimates for basement cleanup from 2019 were reviewed. Water/ Sewer Infrastructure ideas from the Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority included Chestnut St. Water & Sewer Lines Replacement; Main St. Fire Flow Project; Fairgrounds Water Tank Repainting, Borough Building Tank removal from service; and Borough residents without public sewer such as Sloan St.

Roger and Ron Fox have exchanged voice mail messages and plan to meet to review collected data on the Borough boundary survey.

Correspondence

None

New Business

Rimersburg Borough Municipal Authority committed at their May meeting to spend \$5,000 in 2021 in EADS GIS mapping updates of water, sewer infrastructure. The Authority asks Borough Council to commit the same amount. General consensus was in favor for next year and would like this item included for consideration at budget time. PA Senate Bill 597 was on the agenda for Council discussion. No concerns were raised.

Adjournment

Monday, July 19, 2021 | 7:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council at the Rimersburg Borough Building due to the Independence Day holiday.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m. by general consensus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida

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