

BEAVERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 8, 2022

Beavertown Borough Council met on March 8, 2022

ATTENDANCE: Ron Plummer (President), Will Kepner, Lucas Bingman, Linda Snook, Brian Wood, Denny Mallonee, Rick Maloyed, Mayor Hollenbach, Bob Cravitz (Solicitor).

ABSENT:

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

GUESTS: Matt Fegley, Bradley Rheam and Brandon Haines (Fire Company Representatives), they explained to Council that they have been talking with Beaver Springs Fire Co., about joining man power and being able to respond to each other's calls. It's all in the preliminary stages of talk, they just wanted to know Council's thoughts. Council expressed that if it was good for the communities, they saw no problems in going forward. The Fire Co., Representatives will stay in contact with Council, as talk of joining the Fire Companies continues. Denny told Council that the Planning Commission approved the Conestoga subdivision. Denny motioned to approve the Conestoga subdivision to Eric Stone; Lucas second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

MINUTES, BILLS and TREASURERS REPORT: Denny motioned to approve the February minutes; Will second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Will motioned to approve the bills; Lucas second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Denny motioned to approve the February's completed treasurer's report and also March treasurer's report; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor discussed the Kern St. (Luphers Run) bridge project Engineer proposal; in the report, the tiling needs to be done immediately. Will motioned to accept the Engineer cost proposal for Kern St. (Luphers Run) bridge project a Technical & Price Proposal of \$17,475.00 from Stahl, Sheaffer Engineering; Denny second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Pat will go to Best Buy and get pricing on a computer, with a maintenance contract and QuickBooks. The agreement with SEDA COG, in reference to the sidewalk grant was discussed. Will motioned, upon Ron's review of and Ron's approval of the SEDA COG agreement, that Council approve the agreement; Denny second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor reviewed old, new and vacant properties, building permits, rental properties, residents' concerns and the police report. Pat asked Council to update Ordinance No. 3, (Peddlers license).

BOROUGH SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: None.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Deposits: General Fund – EIT \$12,221.11, BMA reimbursed for cutting trees \$300.00, BMA Sewer (Phil's health ins.) \$206.83, BMA Water (Phil's health ins.) \$206.84, Realty Transfer \$539.00, Delinquent Real Estate \$205.15, Total \$7,743.05. LST Fund - LST \$2,083.51, Total \$2,083.51. Payroll – Transfer from Borough \$5,000.00, BMA Sewer (reimbursement for Phil's payroll) \$1,655.50, BMA Water (reimbursement for Phil's payroll) \$1,087.55, Total \$7,743.05.

NEW BUSINESS: Eric showed Ron what looks like asbestos in the basement of the Borough Building; Ron took pictures and contacted a company that does removal and disposal of asbestos containing materials. Linda motioned to have the materials in the basement cleaned up, with the cost not to exceed \$2,000.00; Lucas second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Ron also informed Council that the Borough Building floor structure integrity is pretty bad; looks like someone put some side pieces on the beam, Eric said there is material to do work on the problem. Part time or full time Borough Supervisor position was discussed. Will motioned to hire a part time Borough Supervisor; Denny second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Placing the ads for Borough Supervisor was discussed. Denny motioned to advertise the Borough Supervisor position in the Snyder County Times and the Sunday addition of the Daily Item, advertising not to exceed \$500.00; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Will reported that the Snyder County Tax Committee met and the bill from them this year also includes last year, Berkheimer representative Shawn was also at the meeting and he is also our contact person at Berkheimer. Mayor also asked the Street Committee to meet and follow up on the streets, sidewalks and bridge projects within the Borough and also meet with Conestoga and Top Star about the upcoming 522 bridge projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS CALLED AT 8:39 P.M

COMING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:12 P.M.

Executive Session was called to discuss personnel and Liquid Fuel audit, no action was taken.

MISC: Denny made a motion to pay Phil Walter his 40 hours of vacation from 2021 that he carried over to 2022, \$898.00; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Will motioned to for the 2022 pay raise for Pat Bachman be \$1.00 per hour; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Lucas motioned for the 2022 pay raise for Eric Freed be \$1.00 per hour; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Rick motioned to amend the agenda, to allow for discussion of a part time driver for emergency snow removal and hourly pay for such driver; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Denny motioned to pay \$17.50 per hour, to an emergency snow removal driver; Will second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

ADJOURN: Linda motioned to adjourn; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.
Email Submitted: March 22, 2022, Pat Bachman