

BEAVERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES

December 10, 2019

Beavertown Borough Council met on Tuesday, December 10, 2019

ATTENDENCE: Lori Foor (President), Will Kepner, Linda Snook, Ron Plumber, Brian Wood, Mayor Hollenbach, Attorney Robert Cravitz, Philip Walter (Borough Supervisor).

ABSENT: Lucas Bingman, Denny Mallonee.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

GUESTS: Cathy Whitehead, Chad Hackenberg, Marietta Wilt, Jim Emery (CK COG). Ms. Whitehead asked about the sidewalk grants; Mayor Hollenbach explained that letters will be sent with more information on the grant. Mr. Hackenberg asked about getting help since his property is now uninhabitable; Mayor Hollenbach presented Mr. Hackenberg with a packet of resources in which he could contact for help and Ron Plumber also presented Mr. Hackenberg with two phone numbers to contact for help. Jim Emery presented pictures of the uninhabitable property. Marietta Wilt had questions on property lines, she explained that many years ago she received a letter from Council, (at that time), stating that the Borough had not been taken care of a paper street, so they relinquished it to her and her husband. When she went to the court house she was told that it was still the property of the Borough, there was no record in the court house stating that the Borough relinquished the property. She asked if there was any records here in the Borough Office; Council invited her to come in and read the old minutes to see if she could fine where it was voted on to relinquish the property to her and her husband. Mrs. Wilt agreed that she would come in and read the minutes. Attorney Cravitz advised that if the Borough did relinquish a paper road it would have been split between the property owners on the paper road, not relinquished to just one property owner.

MINUTES, BILLS and TREASURERS REPORT: Brian motioned to approve the minutes; Will second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Will motioned to approve the bills; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. No Treasurer's Report was presented.

OLD BUSINESS: Adopting of the 2020 Budget; Lori motioned to adopt the 2020 Budget; Ron second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Approving of the 2020 Tax Resolution; Will motioned to approve the 2020 Tax Resolution; Ron second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. To buy the radios and accessories for The Emergency Management the cost has gone from \$450.00 to \$510.00. Lori motioned to allow The Emergency Management to purchase the radios and accessories at the new cost of \$510.00; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor reviewed properties, residents' concerns and the police report. The Beavertown Ambulance is extending their membership to August 2020. The Revitalization Committee took a poll; there is not enough interest to have the Beaver Drop this year. Melanie will do the flower pots on the square at no cost. The Historical Society will be publishing a book in the Spring of 2020. Helping Hands (the food giveaway) has received a grant from WalMart for the next three months for \$1,500.00, up to 19 times a year. They have also received teddy bears, and are waiting to hear from the Degenstein Foundation on a grant.

BOROUGH SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Phil reported that the cost of a new pickup truck through CoStars will be \$62,500.00. Will motioned for Phil to purchase the new pickup truck for \$62,500.00 through CoStars; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Phil has one person interested in the old pickup truck, he will be putting the old pickup truck up for bids, and he is hoping to get approximately \$9,000.00 for it. They replaced 3 War Memorial Flags. He met with Jim from Purdy Insurance and reviewed the Borough's policies which increased \$350.00; the workers' compensation went up and Phil also increased the coverage on the cinder/salt storage shed and the auto insurance increased

SECRETARY'S REPORT: 2020 dates for Council Meetings and the 2020 Holiday Closure dates were presented to Council; Linda motioned to approve both sets of dates; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Exoneration from per capita taxes for 2015 and 2016 for Curtis Camp was presented to Council; Will

motioned to exonerate Curtis Camp from the taxes; Linda second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Hollenbach explained that the Windows 7 program needs to be upgraded to Windows 10 at a cost of \$150.00; Ron motioned to upgrade to Windows 10 at the cost of \$150.00; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. All newly elected Council Members, please be present at 6:45 p.m. on January 6th, 2020, to be sworn in before the Reorganization Meeting that evening.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MISC:

ADJOURN: Linda motioned to adjourn; Brian second, with a roll call vote-unanimous yes-motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Email Submitted: December 23, 2019
Pat Bachman