

A Portage Borough Council Committee of the Whole meeting was held on Monday, October 21st, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Those in attendance were:

Sharon McCarthy	George Wozniak	Jerome Yetsko	
David Hayes	James Kissell	Todd Learn	John Morgan

Also present were: Robert Koban, Borough Manager, Michelle Claar, Borough Secretary was absent.

Visitors:

Ron Portash, Mainline Newspapers

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Update on Recreation Peer Consultant-peer members are completed and moving forward.
- B. Update on Borough Roof-No update
- C. Update on Trout Run Rehabilitation-successful on the grant funding with DCED.
- D. Update on PennDot Project on SR 164-PennDot is mapping out utilities
- E. Update on PennDot Multimodal for Main Street Phase II-There was no update
- F. Update on Main Street Improvements Phase III-There was no update.
- G. Update on Main Street Improvements Phase IIIA-Applications were submitted for grant funding through 2 funding sources; PennDot MTF and Commonwealth Financing Authority.
- H. Update on restrooms and Crichton McCormick Park- Waiting on site grading and retainer.
- I. Update on Sonman Avenue Bridge-12-year plan- No update
- J. Mainline Trail Feasibility Study Phase-Mr. Koban informed Council that Mr. Laird is working with Gary Wisor and himself on the small study for bridge access in and out of the borough. Mr. Wisor will provide additional information at the October regular meeting.
- K. Update on grant funding for Crichton McCormick park through DCNR and Frank Burns Office. There was no update.
- L. Update on welcome signs-There was no update.

Buildings

- A. 933 Sonman Avenue Property (Greenawalt)-There was no update.
- B. 616 Dulancey Drive (Adams)-No update.
- C. Update on junk vehicles-work in progress.
- D. 828 North Railroad (Gaunts)-No update.
- E. 720 Orchard Street (Plummers)-There was no update.
- F. 406 Caldwell Avenue (Barclay)-There was no update.

- G. 925 Main Street (Lewis)–No update.
- H. 532 Dulancey Drive (Gaunts)-No update
- I. 1007 Conemaugh Avenue-demolition is complete.
- J. Update on fire damage at 1010 Jefferson (Quigley) and 1012 Jefferson (Seese)-
A compliance permit was issued to Mr. Quigley for inside repairs and demolition of back garage.

New Business:

- A. Notice of Sheetz Liquor License request to be withdrawn.

Mr. Koban informed Council that he received a letter from Flaherty & O'Hara that they are withdrawing the liquor license transfer request for Sheetz.

ON MOTION OF MR. KISSELL, SECONDED BY MR. MORGAN, COUNCIL APPROVED TO GRANT THE WITHDRAWAL REQUEST FOR THE LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER FOR SHEETZ AND TO REMOVE FROM THE AGENDA. VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. LEARN, MR. MORGAN, MR. YETSKO, MR. WOZNIAK, MR. KISSELL, AND MS. MCCARTHY. MR. HAYES VOTED NAY. MOTION CARRIED 6-1.

- B. Discussion on garbage collection services for 2020.

Mr. Koban informed Council that he spoke with Mr. Mike Bellvia regarding the garbage collection contract for 2020. Mr. Bellvia would like to extend the contract for another year, pending Council decision.

ON MOTION OF MR. WOZNIAK, SECONDED BY MR. YETSKO, COUNCIL APPROVED TO EXTEND THE GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES WITH PRO DISPOSAL FOR 2020 AT THE SAME PRICES AS IN 2019. VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. LEARN, MR. MORGAN, MR. YETSKO, MR. WOZNIAK, MR. KISSELL, MR. HAYES, AND MS. MCCARTHY. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

- C. Discuss and approval of an engineering study for a stop sign/speed limit sign.

- D. Request from WinterFest to provide assistance for street closures during the event.

The Winterfest sent notice they would like to have the assistance of the Pubic Works Department to barricade various sections of roads.

ON MOTION OF MR. LEARN, SECONDED BY MR. MORGAN, COUNCIL APPROVED THE REQUEST FROM THE WINTERFEST COMMITTEE TO ASSIST WITH BARRICADING STREET CLOSURES ON MAIN STREET DURING THE WINTERFEST EVENT ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH THROUGH SUNDAY VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. LEARN, MR. MORGAN, MR. YETSKO, MR. WOZNIAK, MR. KISSELL, MR. HAYES, AND MS. MCCARTHY. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Paying of the Bills

Ms. Claar presented a copy of the bills and additional bills to be paid in written form.

ON MOTION OF MR. YETSKO, SECONDED BY MR. HAYES, COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO PAY THE BILLS IN WRITTEN FORM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,311.51. VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. LEARN, MR.

MORGAN, MR. YETSKO, MR. WOZNIAK, MR. HAYES, MR. KISSELL, AND MS. MCCARTHY, MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

GOOD OF THE BOROUGH

The Borough of Gallitzin sent notice of the Cambria County Borough Association Dinner. The dinner will be held at the Gallitzin Sportsman Hall on October 22, 2019 with social hour at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business;

ON MOTION OF MR. LEARN, SECONDED BY MR. YETSKO, COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ADJOURN. COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTING AFFIRMATIVELY INCLUDED MR. LEARN, MR. MORGAN, MR. YETSKO, MR. WOZNIAK, MR. HAYES, MR. KISSELL, AND MS. MCCARTHY. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

The meeting concluded at 7:49 P.M.