

Summerhill Borough Council
Monthly Meeting of August 13, 2019
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Summerhill Borough Council
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
July 9, 2019

The regular monthly meeting for Summerhill Borough Council was opened by Vice President Becky Templeton with the pledge allegiance to the flag.

Council members present; Brad Bodenschatz, Nicole Crowell, Russell Jones, Becky Templeton, and Terri Washko.

Others present; Secretary/Treasurer Laura L. Penatzer, Mayor Eric Miller, Electrician Robert McCormick, Street Commissioner Thomas Susko, Electric Secretary Karmen Baumgardner, Ron Portash (Mainline News), Jim Silva (Representative Rigby's Office) and Nate Persio.

Jim Silva, from Representative Rigby's office would like Council to appoint one representative for Council. By the consensus of Council, Eric Miller is appointed, and a letter will be sent to Rigby's office.

Nate Persio questions Council as to why a sidewalk is not being erected in front of his residence and three of his neighbor's, that it's an eye sore. Mayor Eric Miller explains that Council decided on the pathway of the easiest resistance. Mr. Miller states that possibly the contractors could remove the old sidewalk and plant grass in its place, or it could possibly be replaced when another grant is received, with other options for next year. For now, it's a state road and permits would need to be obtained.

The minutes from the June and July meetings were approved by a motion from Russell Jones, second by Nicole Crowell; unanimous approval.

By a motion from Terri Washko, the financial statements from the June and July meetings were approved, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

The bills were approved, with the addition of the Long Barn II, for the electric account for \$429.00 by Nicole Crowell, second by Terri Washko; unanimous approval.

A fund transfer for the paying of the bills, to pay the pay application #1 for Kishmo is needed and approved to move the remainder of the 2018 electric transfer to the general checking by a motion from Brad Bodenschatz, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

The budgets for end of June is at 50%.

Correspondence:

The minutes from the Forest Hills Municipal Authority were reviewed, with the consent of Council to write a letter of support to the authority showing support for the new Dollar General Store, to be located in Croyle Township, with Summerhill Borough providing electrical service.

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There were no minutes or permits issued for Laurel Municipal Inspection Agency. The property located at 1335 Railroad Street has been condemned, with the responsibility of the owner to demolish. The next meeting will be held on July 10th, at 7:30am.

There were eighteen incidents for the June report of the Croyle Township police.

No agenda was received for the Forest Hills Regional Alliance. The next meeting will be held on July 17th at Summerhill Borough, with speakers from the Park service and The EADS group. The comprehensive plan, which is now ten years old will be discussed to be renewed.

A letter was received from Comcast explaining that as of June 25th, the Xfinity On Demand app will no longer be available on TiVo devices.

Old Business:

There were fourteen delinquent light accounts on the July report, with six certified letters to be sent out, with two of them from June that may possibly be shut offs.

Another Multi-Modal Transportation Fund Grant for \$643,807.00 is being applied for, which is a 100% match grant, but it could end up being a 15% matching grant. By a motion from Terri Washko, Resolution 4-2019 is approved, supporting the matching grant at 15%, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval. A letter of support for the grant will also be sent by a motion from Russell Jones, second by Brad Bodenschatz; unanimous approval.

Verizon is to be moving all their poles for the sidewalk project by the end of the week, with all else going good with the project.

The codification draft should be received within the near future, for all of Council to review.

The Welcome to Summerhill signs quotes has been investigated by Councilwoman Terri Washko, with Gaston, who did the 125th printing for the small signs. The main sign (approximately 93" x 47"), two sided, HDU material, \$2,700.00, plus \$300.00 for the posts and the small signs (approximately 46" x 31"), \$1,015.00, plus \$300.00 for the posts. Budgeted for signs is \$3,922.00, with Council to decide what they would like on them at a later date.

The Christmas Light-Up Fund donations are still coming in, with Council agreeing to purchase a plaque from Stineman Ribbon and Trophy, with three separate rows for donator's names. Street Commissioner Tom Susko reports that the brackets that Rileigh's sent do not fit, with Mr. Susko to advise the secretary when the correct brackets are received, then payment can be made for the lights.

Global Document Destruction has been contacted for the shredding of documents. They would come direct to the building, once a month and would shred ten boxes at a time, for \$125.00/first box, then \$100.00/box thereafter. Council agrees that other companies should be contacted, being that sounds rather high in price.

The Laying Hen Permit/Ordinance draft was reviewed, with corrections being made and will be sent to the solicitor for approval/suggestions and will be revisiting at the next regular meeting.

Street Commissioner Tom Susko reports that the pavilion roof continues to leak, with Council instructing him to get quotes for both a metal and shingle roof for the next meeting. Mr. Susko has also received quotes for Jackson Street and West Jackson Street for the replacing of the curbing and two old catch basins, from the intersection of Jackson/West Jackson Streets down to the borough line; over 1000'; Danchanko at \$88,542.00 and Moyers at \$64,500.00. No further decisions were made.

Organic weed killer for the playground was researched by the Street Commissioner, only to find out that what he purchased from Agway, was indeed not organic and was returned. He would like to borrow the torch from Croyle Township to see if the weeds can be burned out, instead of using the weed killer. He will spray the curbs and try to torch the playground.

The Street Commissioner would also like to point out, that several quotes have been received for several different projects, with Council not making decisions, and work still needing to be done. Therefore, Councilman Russell Jones will give a list of twelve old projects to Councilwoman Becky Templeton that are currently outstanding, to be reviewed at the next meeting.

Electrician Robert McCormick reports to Council that a letter of support for the Dollar General store, that Summerhill Borough will provide the electric, with phases needing to be updated, several poles to be replaced, at an approximate cost of \$30,000.00. Mr. McCormick will give the information to the Secretary/Treasurer, for the letter to be written.

Information from American Municipal Power will be researched, for grants to update for LED lighting throughout town. Poles and transformers will need to be replaced. Mr. McCormick will give an estimate of how many poles need to be updated; approximately twenty, at the cost of \$60,000.00, and streetlights of over one hundred.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm by a motion from Brad Bodenschatz, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

President

Mayor

Secretary/Treasurer