

February 28, 2017

The regular meeting of the Royersford Borough Council was called to order at 7:15 P.M. by A. Dham at Royersford Borough Hall, 300 Main Street, Royersford, Pa.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was followed by roll call.

Present: M. Bullick, A. Dham, A. Metricarti, J. Moskal, T. Moyer, M. Stehman, and T. Weikel

Also Present: Solicitor R. Brant and Manager M. Leonard

Absent: Mayor Guest

The Treasurers Report and Sewer & Solid Waste Collection Report for January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT & COMMUNICATIONS:

Manager Leonard reported that the boat ramp was ordered and should be delivered next week at First Avenue & Arch Street.

Solicitor Brant stated that there will be a meeting with the Hill School to work out some agreements regarding the boat dock.

I received an e-mail from the Meyner Center (Lafayette College) regarding summer internships for the Borough. I e-mailed Mr. Woglom from the Meyner Center back and told him we would be interested in park and recreation programs.

Manager Leonard reported that he met with DCNR regarding the walking trail from Arch Street to the sewer plant.

Manager Leonard reported that the borough received \$123,035.47 this year from Liquid Fuels Tax. Motion by A Metricarti seconded by T. Weikel to accept the Liquid Fuels amount of \$123,035.47. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard informed Council that since the Liquid Fuels money was received a motion was needed to give permission to the engineer to prepare to mill and overlay with new handicap ramps on South Sixth Avenue, from Main Street to Washington Street. Motion by M. Bullick seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard reported to Council that he received a letter from Brewed Awakening regarding hosting an event at the lower parking lot on May 20, 2017 from 3 P.M. to midnight. Music will conclude at 9 P.M. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by M. Bullick. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard informed Council the borough CDBG Grant Application for 2017 will be South 5th Avenue. Council will be presented with a resolution when the engineer completes the figures to repair the road.

Manager Leonard asked Council for an Executive Session on litigation.

VISITORS:

Paul Chrisman, 750 Main Street, asked if the project on South 6th Avenue is under \$100,000 is Council going to bid the project non prevailing wages making Liquid Fuels money go a little further? Council told the manager to check with the engineer.

Mr. Richard Hain, 402 Second Avenue, wanted to discuss the water runoff from Arch Street onto his property. The manager will contact the engineer and meet with Mr. Hain to try to resolve the water problem.

Julie Bucker from Schwenksville asked the borough to advertise on their website the drop off sites for collection of items for a blessing bag to distribute in Philadelphia. Manager Leonard gave them a business card and asked them to send the information that he would be glad to put it on the borough's website.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Disbursements in the amount of \$ 47,818.44 were presented and authorized paid upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Bullick. The motion passed unanimously.

T. Weikel reported that a meeting with the fire company regarding the Volunteer Incentive Program was attended by members of the fire company, A. Dham, and T. Weikel.

WASTE WATER COMMITTEE:

The report of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion of M. Stehman seconded by M. Bullick. The motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Emergency Management Coordinator for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion of M. Stehman seconded by M. Bullick. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

The report of the Director of Public Works for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion of J. Moskal seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the February 2, 2017 committee meeting were presented and accepted upon motion by T. Moyer seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

The report of the Chief of Police for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion by M. Bullick seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Borough Fire Marshal for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion by M. Bullick seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Borough Fire Chief for the month of January 2017 was presented and accepted upon motion by M. Bullick seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Brant stated an ordinance has been advertised regarding manufactured homes and manufactured home parks. Solicitor will open the public hearing with marking some exhibits:

B-1 Minutes from the January 31, 2017 meeting where Charlie Schmehl from Urban Research and Development (URDC) made a presentation to Borough Council about manufactured homes and his opinion took capability regard to regulations.

B-2 Legal notice.

B-3 Sending the ordinance to the law library.

B-4 Record from the planning commission from February 6, 2017 where the planning commission recommended the ordinance to be adopted.

B-5 Letter from Montgomery County Planning Commission after reading the ordinance supports the ordinance as written.

B6 Proof of Publication that the ordinance has been advertised in the Pottstown Mercury on two dates February 2, 2017 and February 9, 2017.

The proposed ordinance is #887 in which Borough Council now regulates manufactured homes and manufactured home parks by defining them and placing a manufactured home park as a special exception use in a general industrial district pursuant to Charlie Schmehl from URDC. Manufactured homes and home parks will be regulated by placing them in that district, and if there were to be a manufactured home park in that district there are 8 criteria by which has to be adopted. You would need to get subdivision and land development, maximum density of 4 units per acre, a landscape area regulating setbacks of accessory buildings, separate homes from private streets or cart ways, and additional regulations on the R1,2,3 District.

Solicitor Brant opened the hearing for comments from the public.

Paul Chrisman commented on Ordinance #887.

Council had no comments on Ordinance #887.

Solicitor Brant closed the hearing for Ordinance #887.

T. Weikel made a motion to adopt Ordinance #887 Manufactured Homes & Manufactured Home Parks by roll call seconded by M. Bullick. Mr. Bullick-yes, Mr. Dham-yes, Ms. Metricarti-yes, Mr. Moskal-yes, Ms. Moyer-yes, Mr. Stehman-yes, Mr. Weikel-yes. The vote is 7 yes, 0 no. The motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor Brant informed council of the next ordinances that will be up for adoption on March 28, 2017; Revised Rental Ordinance, Anti-Discrimination Ordinance, and Establishing Modified Duty Ordinance.

Manager Leonard had someone stop at Borough Hall to ask if the borough could put a trash can at Main and 4th Avenue, across from Annamarie's, and another at the basketball court. Councilman Moskal asked if there was an inventory of trash cans throughout the borough. Borough Manager Leonard said it was a good idea to know where the trash cans are placed. Leonard said he would ask the public works department for an inventory.

Council went into Executive Session for real estate matters at 7:50 P.M. No decision was made.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M. upon a motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Leonard
Secretary