

October 30, 2018

The regular meeting of the Royersford Borough Council was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Anil Dham at Royersford Borough Hall, 300 Main Street, Royersford, Pa.

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

Present: A. Demchik, A. Dham, J. Moskal, T. Moyer, M. Stehman, T. Weikel, Mayor J. Antoniewicz, Solicitor Robert Brant, and Manager M. Leonard

Absent: A. Metricarti

#### OATH OF OFFICE:

Mayor Jenna Antoniewicz administered the Oath of Office to part time Police Officer David Wakely.

#### VISITORS:

Lindsay Dunn, Attorney for the Veterans was in attendance addressing Council regarding the Veterans Memorial. A proposed plan was given to the Council. There was a discussion regarding a land swap with the Borough; putting the property that the Borough owns with a piece a land owned by Rick Lewis to make the memorial larger. The Borough is onboard with the swap as long as Rick Lewis pays for the appraisal and plan to record. The Solicitor will send Mr. Lewis a letter regarding this issue.

Michael Richards from 618 Walnut Street stated he heard some energy about a rail stop in Royersford Borough. A. Dham stated that the rails are owned by Norfolk Southern.

Borough Council went in executive session to discuss real estate and personnel issues.

Council came out of executive session at 7:43 PM.

Mark Shoemaker, a small business owner, has a scale model of the Riverwalk of Royersford and asked Council if they had any idea on where to place the model. Manager Leonard gave Mr. Shoemaker his card and said he would be in contact with him.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Brant reported that Council met in executive session to discuss two real estate matters and one personnel matter.

Solicitor Brant presented Borough Council with one of the real estate matters, an agreement of sale that was agreed upon by the owner of the vacant land at Main Street and South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the Borough in the amount of \$150,000. The appraised value of the land was \$180,000. Settlement will be in February 2019. Motion to purchase the land by T. Moyer seconded by J. Moskal. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor Brant presented Council with the second matter of Rick Lewis swapping land with the Borough; this will help the Borough and the Veterans Memorial.

Solicitor Brant informed Council that there will be a zoning hearing for Factory Hardcore 201 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Council President A. Dham asked Council if they want to send a letter of support for the

applicant Factory Hardcore. Motion by M. Stehman seconded by J. Moskal that Council have the solicitor send a letter of support for Factory Hardcore to the zoning hearing board. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of September 11 & September 25, 2018 meetings were approved as distributed upon a motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Demchik. Motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurers Report and Sewer & Solid Waste Collection Report for September 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Leonard presented Resolution #2018-18 Multimodal Grant with Limerick and Upper Providence. Motion to accept Resolution #2018-18 by T. Weikel seconded by J. Moskal. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard reported that the traffic light replacement at 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue should take around two months.

Manager Leonard reported approval by the Montgomery County Conservation District for drainage, curb, and street work at 6<sup>th</sup> and Arch Street.

Manager Leonard asked Jack Huzzard to report on the problem with the electric at the sewer plant.

Manager Leonard thanked the Public Works Department for getting the boat dock up and running.

Manager Leonard wanted to thank the Royersford Woman's Club for the donation of the bench that was placed by public works at 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and Arch Street.

Manager Leonard stated that the ice skating rink will be located at the basketball court on S. Third Avenue.

Manager Leonard stated that there will be a tour of Unitech for Council members and the Mayor on November 7, 2018 at 6 PM.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Disbursements in the amount of \$311,916.16 were presented and authorized paid upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. The motion passed unanimously.

T. Weikel gave Council a copy of the 2019 budget and a quick summary. T. Weikel stated that it is important to follow the budget schedule. On November 13, 2018 Council meeting a motion will be needed to advertise the budget with a schedule adoption of the budget and any ordinances that are linked to the budget at the December 11, 2018 Council meeting. Tom Weikel thanked Donna, Jess, Mike, and the finance committee for the work they did on the budget.

**WASTE WATER COMMITTEE:**

The report of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent for the month of September 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion of M. Stehman seconded by J. Moskal. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

The report of the Director of Public Works for the month of September 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion of A. Demchik seconded by T. Moyer. Motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Code Enforcement Officer for the month of September 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by A. Demchik seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

**PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE:**

The minutes of the October 4, 2018 committee meeting were presented and accepted upon motion by T. Moyer seconded by T. Weikel. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

The report of the Chief of Police for the month of September 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by J. Moskal seconded by T. Moyer. Motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Borough Fire Marshal for the month of September 2018 was presented and accepted by J. Moskal seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** No Report

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** No Report

Council President A. Dham reported that there will be a zoning hearing on November 14, 2018 at 7 PM for Factory Hardcore, 201 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

President A. Dham reported that Drew Sonntag from URDC is looking into a grant for the trestle bridge project.

President A. Dham reported to Council that they met with the owner at 112 N. Lewis Road who just opened a new business called Home Instead Senior Care.

President Dham reported that the Borough was awarded the 2018 Trail Connectivity and Compatible Economic Development Award from the Schuylkill Highlands. President A. Dham thanked Manager Mike Leonard and Drew Sonntag from Urban Research and Development.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Antoniewicz thanked Chief Nerlinger for coordinating the Police Departments from Upper Providence and Limerick Township for the Halloween parade.

Mayor Antoniewicz thanked all who attended the Emergency Services Night on October 10, 2018 and also thanked Officer Mark Smythe, Lenny Brown, Craig Keffer, Dan Miller and all their colleagues. It did not cost anyone a dime everything was donated.

Mayor Antoniewicz thanked Chief Nerlinger for the Drug Takeback Program that was held on October 27, 2018.

Mayor Antoniewicz announced that the month of November is a fund raiser for “no shave November”.

Mayor Antoniewicz reported that the Police need a new AED. The Chief was able to get a \$3,000 grant from Phoenixville Health Foundation and \$1,000 from Exelon to purchase the AED.

Mayor Antoniewicz wanted to let Council know that the Woman’s Club of Royersford donated a bench that was placed down along the river where the Woman’s Club of Royersford requested.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Leonard  
Secretary