

October 29, 2019

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, and Manager M. Leonard

Absent: A. Metricarti

Motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman to appoint Scot Fennelly Police Chief for Royersford Borough. Motion passed unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered by Mayor Antoniewicz to Police Chief Scot Fennelly.

#### VISITORS:

Ron DeStefano, 61 S. Lewis Road, representing the Royersford Business Association asked Council not to put up the current Christmas tree this year because it was unanimous at the Royersford Business Association meeting that the current Christmas tree is unsafe, sharp and people are going to get hurt if people touch it. The Business Association is going to replace the tree with a different tree. Rick Lewis from Lewis Environmental and Mark Dorsey from Brewed Awakening are going to handle getting the tree. Joe Moskal stated to Council that the Royersford Business Association will be responsible for taking care of the new Christmas tree if it's ok with Council and to leave the other tree in storage or give it away. The Royersford Business Association will put the tree up decorate the tree and take it down. Motion by J. Moskal seconded by M. Stehman pending that the Royersford Business Association follows up with their plan that the Borough will not put up the original tree and that the Royersford Business Association get a tree, decorate the tree and take it down. If the plan is not followed through then the Borough would need to put up the original tree. Motion passed unanimously.

In responses to Mr. DeStefano calling the Borough Christmas tree unsafe Public Works Director C. Keffer wanted to clarify to the allegation. Public Works Director C. Keffer stated that "at no time was the Christmas tree unsafe I feel this is a reflection back on Public Works and I don't appreciate it, and at no time would the Public Works Department put the residents at risk with a faulty Christmas tree."

The Treasurer Report and Sewer & Solid Waste Collection Report for September 2019 was presented and accepted upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Leonard updated Council on the paving of Main Street between 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the foot of the bridge; the job has been completed.

Manager Leonard reported that the parking lot at 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Main Street is being stoned for the winter months and then the contractor will put down pervious paving.

Manager Leonard stated to Council that the Borough received a transportation grant for a push button light at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Main Street from Montgomery County in the amount of \$48,760.00. The Boroughs match is \$12,000.

Manager Leonard stated that the CDBG Grant of twenty eight handicap ramps at different locations in town has begun.

Manager Leonard asked Council to adopt the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code.

T. Weikel stated he will take care of that with the rest of the codes that need to be adopted.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Disbursements in the amount of \$341,215.64 were presented and authorized paid upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### WASTE WATER COMMITTEE:

The report of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent for the month of September 2019 was presented and accepted upon motion of M. Stehman seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/CODE ENFORCEMENT:

The report of the Director of Public Works for the month of September 2019 was presented and accepted upon motion of A. Demchik seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Code Enforcement Officer for the month of September 2019 was presented and accepted upon motion by A. Demchik seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

#### PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the October 3, 2019 committee were presented and accepted upon motion by T. Moyer seconded J. Moskal.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

The report of the Chief of Police for the month of September 2019 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 2019 was presented and accepted upon motion by J. Moskal seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

#### PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

T. Weikel told Council that they will be interviewing for tax collector on November 11, 2019.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Antoniewicz reported to Council that mental health training was held, and wanted to thank Montgomery County for putting on the program.

Mayor Antoniewicz with Borough Council had a discussion on what day to hold Halloween.

Mayor Antoniewicz wanted to know if she could get on the calendar for next year's Emergency Services Night to be held on October 7, 2020.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Leonard  
Secretary