

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

October 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order with the following Councilpersons in attendance: Mr. Keiser, Mr. Specht, Mrs. Meckley, Mr. Cyphers, Mr. Jones, Mr. Swartz, and Mr. Walker. Also in attendance were Mr. Beck, Mayor Nelson, Mr. Benion, Sam Shaffer, Chief Zettlemoyer, Officer Lehman, Officer Ulrich, Officer Engleman, Officer Zettelmoyer, and Shelly Sandstrom. Mr. Budman, Mr. Farr, and Mr. Shearer were absent.

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved the minutes from the September 24, 2014 Council meeting with one correction.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that the fall brush pick up will begin on Monday October 13, 2014 as advertised. He also stated that the leaf pick up schedule will begin on Monday October 20, 2014 by ward.

Mr. Beck informed Council that the tour of the Milton Regional Sewer Authority Facility will take place immediately following the October 16, 2014 MRSA meeting. The meeting begins at 8:00 a.m. Please wear close toed shoes.

He reported that the Pipe installation on the King Street Sewer Project is scheduled to be completed on November 25, 2014. The interim paving portion of the project is scheduled to begin on Monday October 20, 2014 and be completed on November 25, 2014. The final milling and overlay will take place in the spring of 2015.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson had no report.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman was absent.

Report of the Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer reported that the department had been busy on calls for the past couple of weeks. He also reported that promotional testing is complete and that on Friday written tests for new hires will take place with oral exams on Saturday.

Report of the Fire Chief: Sam Shaffer reported that there were 11 calls for the month. He also stated that October is Fire Prevention Week and the Department will be at schools and daycares this week to educate the children regarding fires. He recommended Council watch a video on the Fire Department's website for fire safety and reminded everyone to change the batteries in their smoke detectors.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

At this time there was a presentation made to Council by the Milton Public Library. Library Board Members Pat Young and Rob Jones presented an updated on the Library. Ms. Young asked Council to consider increasing the millage it charges property owners to support the library from .425 mills to 1 mill. She stated that 52% of borough residents patronize the library, a number that has increased by 17% since the library moved to its Rose Hill location in 2012. In

that same period of time, the Borough's payment to the library has only increased by 13%. She stated that the board continues fundraising efforts and donations to close the gap. She and Mr. Jones stated they are very thankful for all of the support the Borough has given to the Library. Mrs. Meckley indicated that she would not be in favor of increasing the millage for the Library tax but moved that this be tabled to the Finance Committee for consideration as the committee works on the 2015 budget.

#### Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

- A. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved a request from the City of Sunbury to utilize the Milton Fire Police for their Halloween Parade on October 16, 2014.
- B. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved the promotion of Chad Lehman to Corporal as recommended by the Civil Service Commission.
- C. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved the promotion of Todd Ulrich to Sergeant as recommended by the Civil Service Commission.

Both Corporal Lehman and Sergeant Ulrich were sworn in by Mayor Nelson.

#### General Government and Recreation

- A. On motion of Mr. Specht, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved a request from the Tax Claims Bureau pertaining to a property in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward.

Mrs. Meckley asked Council if there were any comments or questions on the ordinances that were recently sent to them. Mr. Walker, Attorney Benion and Mr. Beck stated they would send their comments to her prior to the next Council meeting.

#### Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Swartz and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$512,126.27.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers, Council adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer