

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

March 23, 2016

The meeting was called to order with the following Councilpersons in attendance: Mr. Specht, Mr. Budman, Mr. Cyphers, Mr. Keiser, Ms. Fawess, Mr. Shearer, Mrs. Meckley, Mr. Walker, Mr. Farr, and Mr. Swartz. Also in attendance were Mr. Beck, Chief Zettlemoyer, Mayor Nelson, Attorney Benion, Sam Shaffer, Doug Diehl, and Shelly Sandstrom.

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved the minutes from the March 9, 2016 Council meeting.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that the contractor has been on site and has repaired a portion of the crosswalks on Broadway that were defective. The remaining repairs will be completed in the near future. The two Kentucky Coffee trees that died over the winter months will be replaced.

Next, Mr. Beck informed Council that he has submitted the final drawdown request, from the Keystone Community Development Grant, in the amount of \$162,487.32 for the Broadway portion of the 2017 Streetscape Project. This leaves an unexpended balance of \$112,330.19 in the KCD Grant which is to be used as matching funds for the \$870,000.00 Multi-Modal Grant, for the Front Street portion of the 2017 Streetscape Project, which we submitted an application for. Due to the fact the state has not passed a budget for fiscal year 2015/2016, the application has not been processed at the state level and we do not know if our application will be approved. The close-out date on the KCD Grant contract is June 30, 2016; therefore he has applied for a one year extension with the hope the state will pass a budget, our application is approved, and we will be able to move forward with the 2017 Streetscape project.

Even if we were contacted today that the funding was approved and the grant extension was approved, we would not be able to complete the project by the anticipated completion date of February 2017.

Mr. Beck has been in contact with the representatives from the YMCA concerning the operating contract for the Community Pool for the 2016 season. We have tentatively agreed that the language would remain the same as the previous contract and the total contract price would be \$47,932.00. This price is \$1,996.00 less than the 2015 contract. The actual cost may vary due to weather and /or special events. The pool will be open June 2<sup>nd</sup>. through August 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Beck requested Council's approval to allow him to enter into this agreement. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved this request.

Little League has submitted a plan to replace the dugouts at the Little League Field. Doug Diehl has reviewed the plans and they meet all the applicable regulations and are not requesting to enlarge the foot print of the existing dugouts. Mr. Beck, therefore, requested Council's permission to allow them to proceed with this project. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved this request.

Mr. Beck informed Council that the arbitration hearing concerning Mr. Dreisbach is scheduled for April 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Council members are welcome to attend in order to observe the process.

One of the operators in the Public Works Department resigned effective April 1, 2016. It is for this reason that Mr. Beck requested Council to authorize him to advertise and hire an operator. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Ms. Fawess and carried, Council approved this request.

At the March 9, 2016 Council meeting, Borough Council approved the Central Pa Cougars' request to hold a baseball tournament on the ball fields located on Baugher Elementary Drive on April 16<sup>th</sup>. and 17<sup>th</sup>. The approval was contingent on them providing a certificate of liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 naming Milton Borough as the insured and also provide verification that their organization is, in fact, a 501C3 non-profit organization by March 18, 2016. They did not include a mailing address or a phone number in their original request. Shelly Sandstrom sent an e-mail and left a voicemail message for Jeff Hoffman requesting a mailing address on 3/10/16 and on 3/16/16; she did not receive a mailing address until 3/16/16 at which time she mailed the letter from council to them. The organization has recently informed the Borough that they are withdrawing their request as they cancelled the tournament.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson had no report.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman reported that he recently did a "ride along" with Officer Gaugler and encouraged Council members to do so as it was very educational.

Report of the Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer reported that the new cruiser will be finished on Friday or Monday and ready for use by the Department.

Report of the Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that the crew has been cleaning up the leaves at all parks and cemeteries. Poles have been installed at Grandview cemetery to keep vehicles off of the grass. Benches at the mini park have been repaired. All no smoking signs have been put up in all parks. Vascar line painting for the Police Department is underway.

Report of the Fire Chief: Fire Chief Stump reported that there have been 13 emergency calls in the last two weeks. He reported that the blood drive was successful and they reached their goal. He also reported that 404 meals were served at the Palm Sunday Ham Dinner. .

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

- A. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Meckley and carried, Council approved a request from West Chillisquaque Township to utilize the Milton Fire Police during their street fair on May 28, 2016 and their Memorial Day Parade on May 29, 2016.
- B. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved a request from the Milton Lions Club to hold their Community Carnival from June 1 – 4, 2016 with Set up and Teardown dates from May 29 – June 5, 2016 at Brown Avenue Park. .
- C. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved a request from the Relay for Life to have a 5K run/walk throughout the Borough on June 18<sup>th</sup>, utilize the Milton Fire Police, and apply ribbons to parking meters and posts the week of the relay.

General Government and Recreation:

- A. With regard to either amending Ordinance #1147 by replacing 2003 International property Maintenance code with the 2015 International Property Maintenance code and making Ordinance

- #1195 (penalty ordinance) applicable or rescind Ordinance #1147 and creating a new Ordinance, Attorney Benion advised Council to rescind and recreate a new ordinance. Attorney Benion and Doug Diehl will be working on this to present at the next Council meeting.
- B. With regard to either amending Ordinance #952 (snow removal ordinance) and making Ordinance #1195 (penalty ordinance) applicable to Ordinance #952 or rescind Ordinance #952 and create a new ordinance, Attorney Benion advised Council to rescind and recreate a new ordinance. Attorney Benion and Doug Diehl will be working on this to present at the next Council meeting.
  - C. Research the feasibility of a Main Street Manager.

Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mr. Shearer, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Reserve, Payroll, Community Pool, Liquid Fuels, and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$117,560.87.

President Budman addressed Council regarding the House Bill 340 and asked Council to authorize composing a letter of support opposing this Bill. The letter will be signed by President Budman. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved this request. Mr. Farr was opposed.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer