

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 2017

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

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Shearer and carried, Council approved the minutes from the April 26, 2017 Council meeting.

Report of the Borough Manager: As Council is aware, Bruce Smith, the CEO of the Central Pennsylvania Chamber of Commerce passed away on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Beck met Bruce while he was a member of the MAIDA Board, which was a committee of the Chamber, our acquaintance grew into a friendship and we would often talk about various ideas as how to, not only improve Milton Borough but, how to improve the region around us. Mr. Beck and Shelly attended Bruce's viewing this morning, and we will both miss him.

This will be the 20<sup>th</sup> Year for the "GO JOE" annual bike ride to raise funds for the St. Joseph Center. Mr. Beck has been contacted by WNEP and asked if the Borough would be interested in having Joe Snedeker stop at the Brown Avenue Park between 4:00 and 6:30 P:M on Tuesday July 25, 2017. Mr. Beck said that we would be very interested in having him stop as it would be a great opportunity for the Borough to showcase our recreation facility. There will be activities at the park from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. which will be broadcast live. Shelly and Chuck are meeting with a representative from WNEP tomorrow at noon to show him the park and go over ideas for the events. Mr. Beck will update Council at the May 24, 2017 Council meeting.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson was absent.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman congratulated Kevin Mertz from the Standard-Journal on his recent marriage. He then informed Council that there will be some changes for review in the next few weeks to the zoning on Mahoning Street and the Cell Phone Tower ordinances.

Report of Chief of Police: Officer Gaugler reported that the department recently met with John Meckley regarding the Bi-centennial and all permits are in place. The new cruiser is now in full service.

Report of Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that the Public Works Department has been working on clean up from the storm damage and repaired 7 street signs and two red lights. All parks have been mulched as well as the Borough Office and Police Department. Mowing is ongoing. Another brush pick up is scheduled due to the recent storms.

Report of the Fire Chief: Joe Lupo reported that 4 of the newer members have passed their test and still working on their certification. The Department went to the schools last week for a Fire Prevention Program. The Department also helped pump out basements on Locust Street during the recent storm.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Highways and Protection to Persons and Property:

- A. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved a request from the Susquehanna Valley Fast Pitch Umpires Association to use the two softball fields at Brown Avenue Park on July 8 - 9. This approval is pending availability of the fields. By the end of the meeting it was discovered that the fields were already scheduled for use on this day.
- B. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved a request from the First Presbyterian Church to close Cherry Alley for their annual block party on Sunday, August 27, 2017.

General Government and Recreation

- A. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council approved a Seminar/Training Class Policy with amendments.

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 and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$86,440.75.

Mr. Shearer thanked everyone for their assistance and attendance at the Opening Day for the Little League at Brown Avenue Park and stated that everything went very well.

Mr. Walker added his thanks to the Fire Department, Police Department, Council and the Borough for their help with opening day stating that it went very well.

Mr. Beck reported that the Bi-centennial banners are up downtown. The Public Works Department was able to make the brackets for them.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer