

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

July 9, 2014

The meeting was called to order with the following Councilpersons in attendance: Mr. Specht, Mr. Farr, Mr. Budman, Mr. Keiser, Mr. Cyphers, Mrs. Meckley, Mr. Swartz, and Mr. Walker. Also in attendance were Mr. Beck, Mayor Nelson, Sam Shaffer, Doug Diehl, Shelly Wood, Officer Curt Zettlemyer, and Officer Dan Zettlemyer. Mr. Shearer, Mr. Peterman and Attorney Benion were absent.

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Walker and carried, Council approved the minutes from the June 25, 2014 Council meeting. Mrs. Meckley abstained.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that due to the storm last evening the Public Works Department will be picking up brush on the following schedule:

From Wednesday 7/9/14 to Friday 7/11/14 they will be picking up the larger trees and debris randomly throughout the Borough.

Beginning the week of July 14<sup>th</sup> the schedule will be as follows:

Monday	7/14	1 <sup>st</sup> Ward
Tuesday	7/15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward
Wednesday	7/16	3 <sup>rd</sup> Ward
Thursday	7/17	4 <sup>th</sup> Ward
Friday	7/18	5 <sup>th</sup> ward

The trees, limbs, and debris shall be placed on the sidewalk side of curb no later than 7:00 a.m. on the scheduled day for each ward. Once the chipper has passed on the scheduled day it will not return.

The only reason the chipper will pick up in an alley is if it is the only access to the property.

After the Public Works Department has the damaged trees and debris collected that the residents place a curbside, they will begin to clean up the downed trees and debris in the parks and cemeteries.

Clean up time from the storm will be approximately two weeks.

Next, Mr. Beck informed Council that the Community Pool is closed due to the electricity being out due to the storm. P.P. & L. was notified last evening and due to the amount of damage throughout the region, we do not know when the electric will be restored. Once it is restored the chlorinators will be turned on and as soon as we are able to achieve the correct water treatment readings the pool will be reopened.

Mr. Beck stated that last week a representative from the Auditor General's Office was in and audited the three Pension Plans that are administered by the Borough. There were no findings and no corrective actions recommended.

Mr. Beck was asked by T.I.M.E. to apply for a budget modification to the close-out grant # C000052111, in order to have the expenditures match the budget item categories, which he did and was successful in having the modification approved. The expiration date for this contract was June 30, 2014 after which we have ninety days to have the audit completed. Mr. Beck has contacted Neal Lewis and he will complete the audit the week of July 14<sup>th</sup>. The contract was for \$60,000.00 of which \$57,500.00 was given to TIME and Mr. Beck retained \$2,500.00 until the audit is complete. Once the audit is complete he will pay for it out of the \$2,500.00 and write a check to TIME for the remaining amount. This will conclude all open grants the Borough had with TIME.

As Council may or may not remember, Mr. Beck was involved with the administration of three grants pertaining to the Library Project. Two of the grants have been closed out however the RACP Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 was not closed-out due to the Federal Funding Source Requirements. He has been contacted by the auditing agency and we are currently scheduling an audit meeting, hopefully for the week of July 21<sup>st</sup> the audit should take approximately three days and upon completion the \$25,000.00 retainer that was withheld from the Grant will be released to the Borough which in turn will release it to the library.

After this RACP Grant is closed, the Borough will only have one active grant and that is the TAP Grant for the 2017 Streetscape Project which the Borough will administer both the Grant and the 2017 Project in house.

We do have two other Grant applications submitted for the 2017 Streetscape Project, one is to DCED in the amount of \$500,000.00 and the other is another TAP Grant in the amount of \$490,000.00.

Mr. Beck informed Council that he has a negotiation meeting scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Monday July 14<sup>th</sup> with the Teamsters and he also have a negotiation meeting scheduled at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday July 16<sup>th</sup> with the Milton Police Officer's Association. He will keep Council informed of the progress with the negotiation sessions.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson had no report.

Report of the President of Council: President Budman read a letter of resignation from Nathan Peterman to Council. He asked Council to consider candidates to fill the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward vacancy. He also informed Council that at the next Council meeting on July 23<sup>rd</sup> a picture will be taken of Council.

Public Comments: There were no public comments

#### Highways and Protection to Persons and Property

- A. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers and carried, Council approved a request from the Borough of Mifflinburg to utilize the Milton Fire Police during their carnival from July 22 – July 26, 2014.

### General Government and Recreation

- A. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council accepted Nathan Peterman's resignation from Council with regret and asked that a letter of appreciation be sent.
- B. On motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Specht and carried, Council authorized the Borough Manager to request letters of qualification for Resident Inspector Services for the 2017 Streetscape Project.

### Finance, Health and Sanitation

- A. On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Mr. Swartz and carried, Council approved paying the bills from General Fund, Payroll, Community Pool, Reserve and Cemetery accounts in the amount of \$91,585.12.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Cyphers, Council adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Wood  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer