

## MILTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

September 28 2016

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

Minutes: On motion of Mr. Cyphers, seconded by Ms. Fawess and carried, Council approved the minutes from the September 14, 2016 Council meeting.

Report of the Borough Manager: Mr. Beck reported that at the September Council meeting, President Budman asked what the percentage difference was between the 2016 Pension MMO'S and 2017 Pension MMO's. The 2017 MMO's are 10% less than the 2016 MMO's; however, since the MRSA Pension roll-over from the Borough's D/B Pension Plan, MRSA will no longer fund their portion of the MMO and since our 2017 MMO is based on the 2015 actuarial valuation, which includes the MRSA members, the Borough's cost will increase approximately \$73,000.00 for 2017. The Borough's MMO will be adjusted in the 2017 actuarial valuation, to include only Borough employees, which will reduce the 2018 and future Borough MMO's for the D/B Pension Plan.

Next Mr. Beck informed Council that the audit for the \$500,000.00 Keystone Community Development Grant for the Broadway portion of the 2017 Streetscape Project has been completed. There was one finding; we failed to deposit the DCED Funds in a separate account, however the funds were segregated internally.

The only grant we have outstanding is the DCED Multimodal Grant in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the Front Street portion of the 2017 Streetscape Project. Once Mr. Beck has amended the Opinion of Probable Cost with the engineer, he will make a recommendation to Council about how we should proceed. If Council is in agreement with the proposal, he will enter into a contract with DCED for the grant and proceed with the project.

Report of the Mayor: Mayor Nelson reported that trick or treating will take place in the Borough on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. He asked that residents leave their porch lights on if they wish to participate. Mayor Nelson also informed Council that the "Trail of Treats" will be held at the Island on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

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

Report of the Chief of Police: Chief Zettlemoyer reported that the second week of the Harvest Festival went well with no problems. He thanked the Fire Police for their traffic support. Chief Zettlemoyer informed Council that he will be attending a Drug Diversion Committee Meeting on Friday at Evangelical Hospital regarding the use of prescription drugs leading to other more dangerous drugs. He also thanked the Fire Department and Ambulance on their quick response at an incident at his home last weekend.

Report of the Public Works Director: Sam Shaffer reported that work is completed at the public works garage. They paved the parking area near the Borough Hall and have begun to winterize the parks.

Report of the Fire Chief: Joe Lupo reported that there have been 12 calls since the last meeting.

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 Bethany United Church to hold a "Trunk or Treat" event on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and close Center Street between Front and Elm Streets.
- B. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Keiser and carried, Council approved a request from Christ Wesleyan Church to utilize the Milton Fire Police for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K Run Against Traffick.

General Government and Recreation:

- A. Consideration to vacate an alley at the Milton YMCA was tabled by Mr. Specht until the next meeting.
- B. Consideration of a request from Knarr's Beverage to purchase property was tabled by Mr. Specht until the next meeting.

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 \$184,948.16.

There being no further business, on motion of Mrs. Meckley, seconded by Mr. Shearer and carried, Council adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Shelly Sandstrom  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer