

**Rockwood Borough Council**  
**April 16, 2019**

The meeting of the Rockwood Borough Council was held on April 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm. Members present were Amy Jo Stout, Nancy Sleasman, Larry Mazer and Dennis Weimer. Also present was Secretary Jill Shultz, Maintenance Supervisor Carl Jones, Solicitor Bill Carroll and Mayor Melissa Cramer. Sarah Sleasman was present via Skype.

There was one correction to the March 19, 2019. Under the Engineer's report, item 2, it should state that the CDBG Block Grand deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup>. With that one correction, the motion was made by Larry Mazer to approve the meeting minutes. Denny Weimer seconded the motion and the motion carried

**Visitor Comments:**

**Old Business:**

- A.** Kevin Yoder with Appalachian Engineering Group reviewed his items:
- 1) The NPDES permit is under review and goes out for the thirty day public notice on May 1<sup>st</sup>. They expect to issue that somewhere between the mid and end of June. The expiration date is June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2) The liquid chlorine switch over at the plant is now being tied to the NPDES permit temporarily. DEP received two comments from an environmental watch group out of Harrisburg. One of which has to do with is: why is DEP issuing a permit while our NPDES permit is being reviewed and the other has to do with whether or not the public notice was adequately advertised. DEP's attorney has already confirmed that there is no issue with the public notice. The permit has been submitted to Harrisburg and we should expect notice in two weeks as to whether or not we have to wait until the NPDES permit is approved before they will issue the amendment to the permit.
  - 3) The grant application for the conduit replacement is approximately fifty percent complete. We are waiting on Terra Testing to do the drilling. They had an accident on one of their drill rigs last week and OSHA came in and red flagged the rig. It is not allowed to be moved or operated until they resolve the issue. We are now scheduled for the week of April 29<sup>th</sup>. We will not know which specific day until the week before. It will either be Terra Testing, who will have another rig available or Infinity Drilling out of Oakland Maryland. The grant application deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - 4) The Water System Grant application is a little more than fifty percent complete. Kevin is working with the Redevelopment Authority. They are taking a look at our narrative project description to see if they can help beef up the application. Once Kevin hears comments back from Steve Spochart, he will finalize the grant application and get it sent out. Kevin is hoping to send it out by the end of the month.
  - 5) Kevin spoke with Sam Outten regarding the Amfire drain issue. Mr. Outten has no problem with it and everything seems to be straight forward to him. He will run the information by his dad over the Easter weekend and get back to Kevin. Kevin is hoping to have a response by next week from the Outten family.
  - 6) Kevin discussed the Street Scape Grants. If Council wants to go ahead with a project, they need to decide what area they want to go with. Kevin is willing to discuss this in a little more detail at a committee meeting if Council wants him to so we can develop a project and get the grant application started.
  - 7) Carl is unable to download the data from the flow meter. Kevin will stop by and see if he can help.
- B.** Council reviewed the police report for March.
- 1) They started working on code and ordinance enforcement.
  - 2) Larry Mazer is going to contact PA Municipal Code Alliance out of Somerset to see if they could help us out regarding the dangerous structures in the Borough.
- C.** Carl presented his maintenance report for Council to review.
- 1) Amy Jo Stout that Carl please turn in the following reports: the shut off affidavits for March and April, his year to date comp/vacation time sign off forms from January to present and the gas logs from January to present.
- D.** Solicitor Bill Carroll had nothing to report.
- E.** The motion was made by Denny Weimer to adopt the Rockwood Borough Municipal Police Officer job description as presented. Larry Mazer seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- F.** Nancy Sleasman had a quote from J.W. Fleming to do the street sweeping in the Borough at a cost of \$2425 for ten hours/two trucks. These hours includes their drive time to and from their facility in Duncansville. The earliest they can come is May 21<sup>st</sup>. The motion was made by Larry Mazer to accept J.W. Fleming's quote. Nancy Sleasman seconded the motion and the motion carried. Nancy will call them to get on the schedule for May 21<sup>st</sup> and verify if the ten hours is for each truck or two trucks five hours each for a total of ten hours.

- G. Nothing is being done at the moment regarding community service hours. We are hoping to get back to that soon.
- H. Future hall rentals will be at the discretion of Borough Council.

**New Business:**

- A. Shawn with George & Bob's Computer was unable to attend the Council meeting as planned. Amy Jo Stout went over their proposal earlier in the meeting. The total cost to upgrade the computer system would be approximately \$2972. In regards to the server, the information would go directly to them. Any changes we would make in our system would be saved offsite at their location. Jill would no longer have to do a backup and take it home with her every night. They recommended this rather than bringing a big bulky server into the Borough office, which would be more costly. They will set up our emails for us. Also included in the quote is the yearly subscription for the remote backup service with up to 500GB of storage on each computer at a cost of \$60 They also provided us a quote from Comcast to bundle everything; internet, Wi-Fi and phones at an approximate cost of \$126.80. There would be remote access into the server for both the police department and Carl for when he is using the computer over at the sewer plant. This price is a little cheaper than what we currently pay with Verizon and George & Bob's stated that Comcast is much faster than Verizon. They also offered to help do the Borough's website. The motion was made by Denny Weimer to accept George & Bob's quote at a cost not to exceed \$3100. Larry Mazer seconded the motion and the motion carried. Denny Weimer then made the motion to accept the service contract with Comcast. Larry Mazer seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- B. Carl stated that it would cost approximately \$4500 to install a permanent meter at MAMCO to monitor the I&I. The only thing that Carl is concerned about is to whether or not it would cause any problems with DEP in regards to proper technology being applied for billing. The motion was made by Nancy Sleasman to purchase the meter at a cost up to \$5000. Denny Weimer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Veteran's Memorial & Community Park:**

- A. Larry Mazer gave an update on the park developments:
  - 1) There will be a new sign installed which will have an illustration of the park along with a thermometer showing the total fund raising amount.
  - 2) There are three chicken barbeques scheduled.
  - 3) There has been approximately \$45,000 raised so far and they are in the process of writing a grant. There is also an outstanding grant through the Community Foundation.

**Public Comments: NONE**

**Committee Reports:**

**Water/Sewer/Flood: NONE**

**Finance:** The motion was made by Denny Weimer to pay the bills. Larry Mazer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Police: NONE**

**Streets/Alleys/Property: NONE**

**Building Committee: NONE**

**Personnel: NONE**

**Community Development: NONE**

Denny Weimer made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Larry Mazer seconded the motion, all were in favor, the motion carried and the April 16, 2019 meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

I, Jill Shultz, attest that the above public record is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Jill Shultz, Secretary

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Date