

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. In attendance were Nancy Sleasman, James Zieglemeir, Mike Hutchison, Attorney Ben Carroll, Melissa Cramer, Caryoln Romesberg, Samantha Bartko, Kevin Yoder, Ken Milcarzyk , Chief Robert Clark and the following guests Attorney David Leake, Tanya Sager, Andy Miller, Carter Bower, Amanda Coleman, Larry Mazer, Deb Phillippi, Peggy and Michael Wright.

Absent from the meeting was Amy Jo Stout.

Attorney David Leake spoke to the Borough Council about vacating the alley between the Wright's house and Judy Ray's house. No action was taken.

Larry Mazer gave an update on the Veteran's and Memorial Park. They had a Prebid meeting for the next phases of construction. They had 8 companies attending the meeting. The bids are due April 6, 2023, and will be opened at 11:00 a.m.

The community action group would like to have police present at the Grove Fest from 4-10. Parking will be available at the school with the boy scouts helping with parking. The farmer's market will start again June 8th. Carter Bower spoke to the council about creating a walking trail over at the grove. It would be ½ mile loop and the volunteers from the community action group would create it. He asked the council to consider his suggestion.

Amanda Coleman presented the findings from the Audit for 2022. Samantha Bartko made a motion to accept the audit results so it could be posted to DCED and be advertised in the newspaper. Nancy seconded the motion. All were in favor.

John Baluch entered the meeting late. He is living in the house next door to the Wright's property. He was here to voice his dismay at what the Wright's are doing on his property. No action taken.

Kevin Yoder had emailed the borough council two proposals, one for the Main Street Streetscape Project and the other one for the Grove. Both of these proposals were tabled until a special meeting could be held.

Nancy Sleasman made a motion to purchase a TDX timing device for the police department at a cost of \$1389.05 from YCG. Samantha Bartko seconded the motion. All were in favor. Nancy Sleasman made a motion to pay the monthly bills. Samantha Bartko seconded the motion. All were in favor. The printer was tabled to another meeting. Samantha Bartko made the motion to grant a handicap parking place on Broadway for Lisa Vought to use. Be it understood though, this can be used by anyone with a handicap placard according to the Borough's rules of use. Mike Hutchison seconded the motion. All were in favor. Samantha with have maintenance put up the signs and paint the lines after the street sweeping is done for the year. Samantha Bartko made a motion to approve the bid for street sweeping at the rate of \$200.00 per hour with a minimum of 8 hours per shift plus one hour per shift travel time. This will be done by Donegal Transportation.

The meeting than went to executive session at 9:00 pm. Caryoln Romesberg was asked to not leave incase there would be actions that would need to be taken from Executive Session.

The council returned from executive session at 10:20 pm. The tape recorder was turned back on and Caryoln Romesberg was instructed to Amend the agenda according to the Act 65 Sunshine Laws.

The first amendment would be to decline the sale or consumption of alcohol at the Grove or any other Borough property. That motion was made by Nancy Sleasman and seconded by Samantha Bartko. All were in favor.

The second amendment was to approve the creation of a walking trail at the community grove by cleaning up brush and debris as proposed by Carter Bower earlier this meeting. That motion was by Nancy Sleasman and seconded by Mike Hutchison. All were in favor.

The third amendment to the agenda was to increase Ken Milcarzyk's rate of pay to \$19.00 an hour effective immediately. That motion was made by Nancy Sleasman and seconded by Samantha Bartko. Motion carried.

The fourth amendment would be to hire Lee Coffman for the standard 90 probationary period at the rate of \$16.00 per hour. That motion was made by Nancy Sleasman and seconded by Samantha Bartko.

The fifth amendment was to schedule and advertise for a special meeting to be held on March 27, 2023 at 6:30 pm for the purpose of action on engineering projects and any other business that would come before Council. Mike Hutchison made that motion and it was seconded by Samantha Bartko. All were in favor.

Mike Hutchison made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 pm the motion was seconded by Samantha Bartko.