

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING **August 20, 2019**
HELD AT THE BIG BEAVER MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 114 FOREST DRIVE, DARLINGTON, PA 16115

President Jason Landsbach called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer.

Roll Call:

Present:

President: Jason Landsbach

Vice President: Roz Miller

Council Members: Michelle Joy

Dennis Stiteler

Jeff Magee

Bart Carr

Admin. Assist.: Becky Bell

Admin./Treas.: Debbie Ahern

Solicitor: Shannon Steele

Engineer: Larry Lennon

Code Enforcement: Dawna Pella

Absent: Mayor Don Wachter, Councilman: Bob Davenport & Road master Don Reeher

Approval of Minutes: Dennis Stiteler made a motion seconded by Roz Miller to approve the July 16th and August 6th minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's:

Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Roz Miller to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Dennis Stiteler to approve the August bill list. Motion carried.

Debbie Ahern reported on an email she received regarding the noise at Pitt Int'l Racetrack. After a discussion, council asked Engineer Larry Lennon to research for a noise engineer and a fee that would be involved and report back to council.

Streets & Roads/Buildings & Equipment:

Dennis Stiteler reported that the road crew has been tar and chipping for the last two days completing eleven roads.

Backhoe parts have been received and installed for maintenance issues.

Roadmaster would like to rent a boom mower for one month for September or October. Dennis Stiteler made a motion seconded by Bart Carr to rent a boom mower for 30 days for borough road maintenance. All in favor, motion carried.

Planning Commission:

Dennis Stiteler read his report.

A chicken ordinance was discussed. It was decided to continue to the “use” process as it now exists. Residents will have to apply for a variance with the Zoning Hearing Board.

Municipal Authority:

Jeff Magee gave his report. He reported on the turnpike lift station regarding the paper towel issue. He reported on maintenance performed around the other lift stations.

Solicitor Steele presented a resolution to the grease trap ordinance appointing Chad Crawford as the inspector. Roz Miller made a motion seconded by Bart Carr to appoint Chad Crawford as the grease trap inspector. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Safety:

Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Jeff Magee to approve Solicitor Steele to advertise the ordinance for public comment guidelines. All in favor, motion carried.

Zoning:

Dawna Pella, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer gave her report.

She reported on the former Homewood Roller Rink. After a brief discussion, it was suggested for Mr. Feezle attend the next Planning Commission meeting so the members can review his plans for this property.

Solicitor:

Solicitor Steele presented the revised developer’s agreement for the cell tower near the Sportsman Club. Roz Miller made a motion seconded by Jeff Magee to approve the cell tower access group developer’s agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

Council will draft a letter and have final approval from Solicitor Steele regarding residents who have chickens or bees that they have to proceed with a variance with the zoning hearing board.

Kutakrock correspondence has been tabled until next meeting for council review.

Engineer:

Engineer Lennon gave his report. He reported on Norwood Drive. After Engineers review, a recommendation which includes a second underdrain pipe will be installed on the upslope side of the roadway. A request for emergency spot repairs were sent to multiple contractors for the collapsed pipe.

Road improvements bids for Tragesser Plan have been received.

West Gate Business Park Road Extension was submitted for a land development and a review letter was issued.

Planning Commission made the following recommendations.

Council to waive the following:

- Maximum cul-de-sac length of 1,200 feet requirement.
- Parking along the street.
- Landscape screen around the stormwater detention facility.

Dennis Stiteler made a motion seconded by Roz Miller to waive the recommendations as stated above submitted by West Gate Business Park. All in favor, motion carried.

The Planning Commission also recommended approval of the development conditioned on BCCED providing the following:

- An estimate of construction costs for review by the Borough and posting the appropriate Bonding.
- Revise the plans to extend the grades for the entire width of the right-of-way must be flat with the exception of the area located within the Gasline Easement.
- Provide a copy of the NPDES Permit.
- Revise the storm sewer pipe size on the plan.
- Provide an emergency spillway separate from the primary outlet structure.
- Provide a geotechnical investigation report.
- Provide the Stormwater Maintenance Agreement.

Dennis Stiteler made a motion seconded by Jeff Magee for approval of the development of the above items.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Bell