

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING **April 17, 2018**

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 to the United States of America and the Lord's Prayer.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:**

Mayor: Don Wachter

President: Jason Landsbach

Vice President: Roz Miller

Council Members: Michelle Joy

Dennis Stiteler

Jeff Magee

Admin./Treas.: Virginia Binder

Admin. Asst.: Becky Bell

Engineer: Larry Lennon

Solicitor: Brandon Eberle

Code Enforcement: Dawna Pella

Road Master: Don Reeher Depart: 7:35

**Absent:** Bart Carr & Bob Davenport

**Vistiors:** There were no visitor's.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from March 20<sup>th</sup> and April 3rd meeting were reviewed and a motion made by Jeff Magee seconded by Dennis Stiteler to accept as written. All in favor, motion carried.

**Financials:**

Ms. Binder presented the March financials and a motion to accept the March financials was made by Dennis Stiteler seconded by Roz Miller all in favor, motion passed. The prepared April bill list was read. Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Dennis Stiteler to pay as funds become available. All in favor, motion carried.

Ms. Binder reported to council that a new Deputy Tax Collector has been appointed. Ms. Linda DeSanzo, tax collector for Koppel Borough.

The Act 32 Earned Income Tax Monthly Report was reviewed by council.

**Streets & Roads:**

Road master, Don Reeher reported that he would like to hire two people for summer help.

Mayor Wachter reported on the jake braking on Wallace Run Road, Rt. 18 and Rt. 351 to Koppel. He informed council that a letter needs to be sent to PennDot requesting a study of these locations to determine if they will install "No Jake Braking" signs. Mayor Wachter has agreed to prepare the letter to PennDot asking for a study at these locations. Matter tabled.

The Homewood bridge street light at the intersection of Norwood Drive and Foxwood Road was discussed. The cost for a pole and a light will be \$1,354.64 which is a 90-day price from letter dated January 15, 2018. Roz Miller made a motion to execute the letter requesting a street light at the intersection of Norwood Drive and Foxwood Road in the amount of \$1,354.64 seconded by Dennis Stiteler. All in favor, motion carried.

**Buildings & Equipment:**

The new road truck was discussed in regards to the undercoating. Road crew member Ken O'Neill offered to undercoat the new truck in the amount of \$150.00. The truck bed also needs attention. Council advised Solicitor Eberle to send correspondence to the dealer and the manufacture of the truck bed stating council's displeasure with the new maintenance truck with repairs needed already.

Comcast business telephone service will be installed at the borough building on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Parks & Recreation:**

The purchase of an ADA swing with stand for the community park will be installed in the spring. Roz will contact the gentleman who requested the swing for an accessible location.

**Public Relations:**

Brady's Run Sanitary Authority wants to appoint a member from Big Beaver Borough on their board. Mayor Wachter will telephone his contact.

**Planning:**

Minutes from the April 11th meeting were reviewed to council by Dennis Stiteler.

**Municipal Authority:**

There was no meeting this month.

A discussion ensued regarding the municipal authority. Council asked Solicitor Eberle to research what the borough can do to remedy the problems involving the authority members.

**Zoning:**

Dawna Pella, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer gave her report. She reported on the progress of the ongoing issues she is addressing.

**Solicitor:**

Solicitor Eberle reported on the status of Day Street as it relates to the Dollar General on Rt. 18. He informed council the prior owners, Penn Tec, will pay all of the costs associated with Day Street. Roz Miller made a motion to grant permission for Solicitor Steele to prepare the necessary documents and schedule all meetings to necessitate their request providing Penn Tec funds must clear the bank before the vacation of Day Street can be complete, seconded by Jeff Magee. All in favor, motion carried.

**Engineer:**

Engineer Lennon gave his report. Wesex/BiKop development has begun. A land development application for the first building is expected to be submitted in the next 30 days.

Engineer Lennon advised council that PennDot is taking letters of interest for taking back street lights from townships. Council gave engineer Lennon permission to send a letter of interest for the street lights at State Route 351 and State Route 18.

At 8:55 President Landsbach suspended the regular meeting to discuss a personnel issue. At 9:35 the regular meeting resumed.

At 9:40 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Bell