

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MAY 18, 2021
HELD AT THE BIG BEAVER MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 114 FOREST DR, DARLINGTON, PA 16115

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

Roll Call:

Mayor: Don Wachter

Treasurer: Debbie Ahern

President: Michelle Joy

Secretary.: Jennifer Gasser

Vice President: Roz Miller

Public Works Director: Chad Crawford

Council Member: Jason Landsbach

Zoning/ Code Enforcement: Dawna Pella

Kim Wagner

Solicitor: Shannon Steele

Jeff Magee

Engineer: Larry Lennon

Luke Taiclet

Chief of Police: David Johnson

Absent: Council Member Bart Carr

Public Comment

Charles Pfeifer discussed with Council if they had plans on opening Sherritt Dr, a paper street in Stell Ridge. Ms. Joy advised there has no discussion on developing the paper streets in Stell Ridge, at this time.

David Nicely addressed Council regarding his subdivision application (Cold Nose LLC). Jennifer Gasser explained Walley dropped off the updated information today and this was given to Larry Lennon.

Approval of Agenda

Roz Miller made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to approve the Agenda. All in favor, agenda is approved.

Approval of Minutes

Kim Wagner made a motion, seconded by Roz Miller to approve the Minutes of May 4, 2021, April Financials, and May Bill List. All in favor, A, B, and C are all approved.

Reports:

Mayors: Mayor Wachter advised they are grading in Westgate, and we do not have a grading ordinance.

Police Report: Chief Johnson advised there was 76 calls for the month of April and advised 351 will be closed until June 11. Chief Johnson also advised of reports of loud explosion from other communities, and they are working to determine the source and advised of the speculation its coming from the shredder; however, they don't have any evidence. Michelle Joy advised Kim Wagner has lots of evidence and Chief Johnson confirmed she observed this. Chief Johnson advised they have started their season for bicycle patrol.

Zoning: Dawna Pella advised she handed out three service action requests with her response. She has been working with Shannon Steele regarding the Plaza and Larry Lennon will address the cell tower at the Sportsman Club.

Engineer Report: Larry Lennon advised he spoke with the developer at Wessex and they expect to submit a Land Development with a tenant within the next several months. Mr. Lennon reviewed the McCleery plan of subdivision comment letter (Attachment A), Cold Noses LLC (Attachment B) comment letter, and explained with the Contes plan of subdivision there's only one outstanding item and council will need to approve a Planning Waiver and Non-Building declaration for one of the lots they are subdividing. Larry Lennon advised the Tower access group is working on plans for construction of the cell tower and recommends an Administration Meeting with their engineers. Luke Taiclet inquired about the new road alignment with the

Turnpike. Larry Lennon advised the road was already constructed, and this is formalizing, dedicating and abandoning part of the old road alignment. Chad Crawford and Larry Lennon discussed Sophia Drive and the Borough adoption of the road.

Dave Nicely discussed with Larry Lennon the process with the Cold Nose Subdivision.

Solicitor Reports: Shannon Steele advised the Vacation of Foxwood will be advertised for the June 15 meeting, as we needed information about neighboring properties and to make sure we comply with how long you advertise. Ms. Steele reported she recorded the Pitt Race Maintenance Agreement and she's in agreement with having an Administrative Meeting for the Cellphone Tower. Ms. Steele advised her, and Dawna Pella will have a meeting regarding Wish Development and then put in writing their position. Chad Crawford discussed with Ms. Steele and Council regarding residents on Larchwood Drive. Ms. Steele discussed with Dawna Pella and Dawna Pella advised she would not make someone get a permit to put up a couple of panels. There was discussion regarding this being in the right of way. Roz Miller made a motion, seconded by Jason Landsbach to have the engineer look into the Right of Way issues. All in favor, motion carries.

Chad Crawford believes Jeff Frey will have the Sewer Engineer Report for the Public Works meeting.

Public Works Dept: Chad Crawford advised he installed the No ATV signs at the park, and they have been mowing the disk golf course at the park. Michelle Joy's mom has a brush hog she's letting them borrow and he's trying to get a price on one if this is going to be an ongoing thing.

Treasurers: Turned In. Debbie Ahern advised we received the Amendment for the Police Contract. Jason Landsbach inquired about the monthly bill list for May, current month activity College Lift Station \$3,588.70 check to John P Place and inquired if this was coming out of General Fund. Ms. Ahern advised it comes out of the General Fund but the Sewer fund reimburses the General Fund.

Secretary: Turned In. Jennifer Gasser advised the Crees Variance decision was received.

New Business:

1. Jeff Magee made a motion, seconded by Luke Taiclet to approve the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of Ms. McCleery's Subdivision contingent on all items in the LSSE review letter being addressed. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries.
2. Luke Taiclet discussed the subdivision with Dawna Pella. Luke Taiclet made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to approve the Planning Commission recommendation to waive the approval process for the Contes Plan of Subdivision Parcel 57-122-0169.000 and rely on Chippewa's approval. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries.
3. Jennifer Gasser advised subdivision plan includes the Planning Waiver that was in Larry Lennon's report. Roz Miller made a motion seconded by Luke Taiclet to approve Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Contes subdivision application (04-2021) for parcel 53-112-0172. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries.
4. Council discussed the Resolution. The Borough accepted the roads in Westgate in 2009 and they were not added to Liquid Fuels and the Borough is maintaining the roads. Jason Landsbach made a motion, seconded by Jeff Magee to approve Resolution 06-2021 adopting roads, storm water, drainage lines, appurtenances etc, in Westgate. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries

5. Jason Landsbach made a motion, seconded by Roz Miller to approve the Dominion Memorandum of Understanding. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries.
6. Michelle Joy and Kim Wagner advised there are 9 Seniors graduating this year and the gift includes: card, cookies and balloon for Seniors. Kim Wagner advised she purchased a bulk package of 48 cards and we can continue to use these cards in the future. Kim Wagner and Michelle Joy will provide a list of the names. Roz Miller made a motion, second by Jeff Magee to approve up to \$125.00 for Senior Gifts. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries. Kim Wagner advised the gifts will be delivered the day of Graduation.
7. Jeff Magee advised Council agreed not to rent out the back room once they put the addition on. Council discussed the current use of the room and agreed it's not to be rented out.
8. Luke Taiclet inquired if we had a list of (Repository) properties in the borough and Council explained the list is on the County Site. Roz Wagner made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to Approve Adam Reed to purchase parcel 53-123-6796 - 173 Aley Hill Rd, Beaver Falls PA 15010 through the repository and to forgive the Borough taxes through the current year, 2020. Roll Call Vote Yes: Michelle Joy, Roz Miller, Kim Wagner, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. All in favor, motion carries.
9. Council discussed the new CDC Guidelines for mask wearing. The office policy will remain the same at this time with mask wearing.

Old Business Update:

1. Jennifer Gasser advised per Koppel's April Minutes they approved the Ordinance. Luke Taiclet made a motion, seconded by Roz Miller to give permission to advertise the Ordinance for an engine break restriction on Route 18 from the Turnpike Interchange to the Lawrence County line and from Wallace Run Road from the West Mayfield Borough line to the Life Management Consulting Driveway (561 Wallace Run Rd). Roll Call Vote Yes: Roz Miller, Jeff Magee, Luke Taiclet and Jason Landsbach. Vote No: Kim Wagner and Michelle Joy
2. SALDO – Michelle Joy reminded Council the SALDO is in their hands for review.
3. Cameras for Law Enforcement – Council discussed the installation of cameras in Big Beaver. Council agreed to move forward with the study and the cost. There was also discussion regarding notification to residents. Chief Johnson will let the District Attorney know that Council is interested.

Old Business:

Roz Miller inquired on the amount of Pitt Race complaints. Jennifer Gasser advised she received one in 2020 and one in 2021 and believes the one in 2020 also complained to New Beaver. Dawna Pella advised both her and Owen Pella have started to review the information provided. Jason Landsbach advised twice when Big Beaver was taken to court, both times, for not enforcing its rules and was rejected by the court twice but Big Beaver spent, back then, a total for those two four days into the court room a total of \$25,000.00.

Executive Session: Personnel Issues in 8:08pm out 8:19pm.

Meeting adjourned 8:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Gasser