

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING **November 19, 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:

Mayor: Don Wachter

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: Emily Palmer

Code Enforcement: Dawna Pella

Road master: Don Reeher

Absent: Councilman Bob Davenport

Visitors:

Mr. Marty Morris commented that the Big Beaver Borough Council is doing a good job working together and making the decisions that are necessary.

Approval of Minutes:

Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Jeff Magee to approve the October 15, 2019 and November 5, 2019 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's:

Michelle Joy made a motion seconded by Roz Miller to approve the October financials report and the November bill list and pay as funds become available. All in favor, motion carried.

Tax Collector computer needs replaced before January 1, 2020. Debbie Ahern has a bid from Mg-soft net in the amount of \$1,400. Jeff Magee made a motion to purchase a new computer, seconded by Bart Carr. All in favor, motion carried.

Debbie Ahern discussed Census information that was received in the office. Council was encouraged that anytime they speak with Borough residents please encourage them to respond to the census questionnaire.

Streets & Roads/Buildings & Equipment:

Roadmaster, Don Reeher reported all the boom mowing is completed, and the equipment has been returned.

All winter road materials, salt and anti-skid have been received, and the trucks are ready to go.

Dennis Stitler asked Don Reeher how he is notified that the roads need attention. Don stated that he watches the weather and looks at Norwood Drive from his home. Jason Landsbach stated that he gave Don's number to the Donna Nugent, School Superintendent to call Don if she sees the roads need attention. Bart Carr stated that he also calls Don if the buses

The Backhoe repairs have been completed.

The Mayor thanked Don for removing a tree from the ditch.

Roz Miller asked Foxwood approaching, does the tree block the view. Can add a stop sign on the opposite side of the road, and the existing sign can be moved out closer to the road.

Roz Miller has been notified by a resident that 7 or 8 bags of garbage have been thrown down over the hill on Aley Hill. If it is on private property, the Borough can't do anything.

Dennis Stitler discussed the bid that he received from Vance's to correct the McFadden property berm. No motion made to accept Vance's bid, no second. Motion failed. Roz Miller made a motion to have the Borough Road Crew see what they could do to correct the McFadden property, no second. Motion failed.

Parks & Recreation:

Michelle Joy attended the Planning Commission meeting and discussed with John Hyle renovations to the park.

Planning Commission:

Dennis Stiteler read his report. He reported that the committee worked on the "use table" and reviewed the flood plain list.

Municipal Authority:

Jeff Magee reported that the operator performed routine maintenance on the pumps and regular business was discussed.

The Mayor asked about the status of the pump station on Commonwealth Drive. Michelle Mako stated that things are progressing.

Zoning:

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

Jason Landsbach will make a phone call regarding item 2, 103 Lynne Drive.

Roz Miller made a motion to approve issuing a citation regarding item 4, 128 Eagle Rock Road, seconded by Bart Carr. All in favor, motion carried.

Roz Miller made a motion to approve issuing a citation regarding item 5, 320 Aley Hill Road, seconded by All in favor, motion carried.

Dawna voiced concern that the Borough does not have a Flood Plain Manager, and the permit process has a place for the FPM signature. The FPM has to be an employee or staff member. Can not be a resident or third party contractor. Roz Miller suggested tabling the decision due to staffing changes that are being made. Anne Mako volunteered to assume the responsibility until a permanent appointment is made. Roz Miller made a motion to appoint Anne Mako as temporary Flood Plain Manger, seconded by Dennis Stiteler. Michelle Mako abstained from voting, all others in favor. Motion carried.

Solicitor:

Solicitor Steele reported that Mr. Jim Stout, Pittsburgh International Race Complex, will send a current noise study. There were a few road bonds issued this month. Pennvest

Engineer:

Emily Palmer reported that one bid was received from Stefanik Next Generation Contracting for the 2019 Timber Harvest Contract. The bid is in the amount of \$8,400. Roz Miller made a motion to accept the bid contingent on engineering and legal review of the Contract documents. seconded by Jeff Magee. All in favor, motion carried

ave the engineer's his report. He reported on Norwood Drive. Contractor has completed work. It was found that the pipeline had settled in two locations. GBBE also reviewed the pipeline excavations while the repair was being completed. Repairs will be ongoing.

Mayor:

Meeting adjourned at: 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Ahern