

MINUTES OF THE BIG BEAVER BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
HELD AT THE BIG BEAVER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, 621 FRIENDSHIP RD,
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

Public Works Director: Chad Crawford

Vice President: Roz Miller

Secretary.: Jennifer Gasser

Council Members: Bart Carr

Treasurer: Debbie Ahern

Kim Wagner

Zoning Officer: Dawna Pella

Jason Landsbach

Luke Taiclet

Absent: President Michelle Joy and Council Member Jeff Magee

Approval of Agenda

Kim Wagner made a motion, second by Bart Carr to approve the agenda. All in favor, agenda is approved.

Public Comment

Rudy Pagani addressed Council regarding the property at 1095 Shenango RD, Beaver Falls PA. Initially Mr. Pagani was going to demolish the house; however, Tate Constructions has offered to purchase the property. Mr. Tate also addressed council regarding his intent to repair the property and concern of a delay with the supply chain. Council discussed the property transfer. Luke Taiclet made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to rescind the August 17, 2021 vote (to demolish the house) and with the transfer of the property to release Mr. Pagani's escrow and Mr. Tate will provide a \$2,000 escrow which will be held for a period of six months to review the progress being made on the house and will be release at that time, minus any charges to the Borough. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller.

Approval of Minutes

Luke Taiclet made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to approve the Minutes of August 17, 2021. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller. All in favor, motion carries.

Reports:

Mayors: Mayor Wachter advised that part of the North County Trail goes through Big Beaver, including the Wetlands.

Fireman: Turned In

Zoning: Turned In

Public Works Dept: Turned In

Treasurers: Turned In

Secretary: Turned In

Planning/Zoning: No Updates

Parks/Rec: No Updates

Personnel/Policy: No Updates

Public Health and Safety: No Updates

Finance: No Updates

Public Works: No Updates

Planning Commission: Unapproved August 17, 2021, Minutes

Mayor Wachter advised with the Beaver Falls Police Department as far as they know everything is ok and they have had no issue. Mayor Wachter also reported on radar going through the Senate; however, its not able to get through the House.

New Business

1. Change Garbage provider - Jennifer Gasser and Chad Crawford discussed with Council the garbage issues (delay with pickup and bent a yellow pole) with Valley Waste and the opt out clause in their contract, where a letter would need to be sent. Chad Crawford will speak with them about the pole and speeding on the road and this will be monitored to see if we the topic needs to be revisited.
2. Jennifer Gasser advised once Michelle Joy's convention comes out for \$550, there is no money in the Budget for trainings. After discussion, Council's conventions/trainings are in a separate line item. Bart Carr made a motion, seconded by Kim Wagner to approve PSAB Winter Maintenance Training for Chad Crawford for \$50.00. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller.
3. Preliminary Budget Items. Debbie Ahern advised Chad Crawford sent his list out and would like the Committee's to look at that list so she can start a preliminary budget. Debbie Ahern advised she has not heard back from the insurance brokers.
4. Council discussed Traditional Trick or Treat and Trunk or Treat. Tentatively looking at October 28 for Trick or Treat and October 30th for Trunk and Treat. Council agreed with a voice vote to do both Trick or Treat and Trunk and Treat and will cement in the dates at the next meeting. All in favor.
5. Council discussed the Disk Golf group has the park reserved September 11, 2021, for a fundraiser for concrete for our T pads, and the request for the Park Rental fee to be waived. Kim Wagner made a motion, seconded by Bart Carr to waive the Park Rental fee for the Disk Golf group park reservation for September 11, 2021. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller.
6. Council discussed and agreed to do a fall newsletter. Luke Taiclet made a motion seconded by Jason Landsbach to approve the expenditure with the cost involved in the fall newsletter not to exceed \$900. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller.
7. 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Pension Plan - Debbie Ahern advised this has to be presented to the Governing Board advising what the contribution will be next year. We do receive money from the State to aid in covering that dollar amount. Last year we had to put in \$3,000.

Old Business Updates

1. SALDO – An updated draft has not been received.

2. Council discussed the illuminated stop signs with the installation of two stop signs. Jennifer Gasser advised these are the for the same type of stop signs that are currently installed (on Fairlane) and PennDOT will modify the prior permit and Council needs to approve they do want to install and purchase the stop signs and would be responsible for maintaining the Stop Signs. Jason Landsbach recommended to have in our Fall Newsletter, how the Borough installed illuminated stop signs when the state would not. Jason Landsbach made a motion, seconded by Bart Carr to install and purchase Illuminated Stop Signs for Fairlane BLDV not to exceed \$4,000. Roll Call Vote Yes: Kim Wagner, Jason Landsbach, Bart Carr, Luke Taiclet, Roz Miller.

Old Business

1. Updated Street opening ordinance and proposed ordinance
2. Beaver River Bridge Replacement Project (*no updates, have not met stormwater*)
3. Planning Commission (*Planning and Zoning Committee is reviewing*)
4. Cameras for Law Enforcement (*waiting on Chief of Police or DA*)
5. Pitt Race Noise Complaint (*Council to discuss with owner*)

Meeting Adjourned 8:04pm

Respectfully Submitted

Jennifer Gasser