

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Monday, May 17, 2021
7:00 p.m. VIA ZOOM

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Sharon Wolf.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all present.

Roll call was held and Council members present were: President Sharon Wolf, Vice-President Todd Brade, Council Member Rhett Lipscomb and Council Member Mark Agen. Also present were Mayor John Hagan, Borough Manager Joseph Reali, Police Chief Brian Sheller, Solicitor John Carnes, Treasurer Peter Barsz, and Borough Secretary Rebecca Durnall.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Rhett Lipscomb and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A Motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021 Regular Council Meeting was made by Rhett Lipscomb and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

A motion to approve bills submitted was made by Rhett Lipscomb and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Payment of \$200,000.00 on TAN to lower interest at end of year.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Mark Agen and seconded by Rhett Lipscomb. All in favor.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Police Chief's Report.....Chief Brian Sheller

Review of Activity Report. Burglary arrest.

A complete copy of the Police Chiefs Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Fire Chiefs Report.....Chief Brian Gathercole

Report submitted, Fire Chief absent.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Engineer's Report – ARRO Consulting

A complete copy of the Engineer's Report is available on file in the Borough Hall.

Manager's Report – Joseph Reali

Joined by Solicitor John Carnes, legal process must be followed in reference to Crane case. Motion was made by Mark Agen to pursue salt shed via CoStars and seconded by Todd Brade decision made to vote at next committee meeting. All in favor.

Mayor's Report

No Report.

Solicitor's Report

Discussion of timeline of legal processes

Reiteration of joint Manager Joseph Reali to follow legal process regarding Crane case.

Public Works Report

A complete copy of the Public Works Report is available on file in the Borough Hall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Revitalization – Rhett Lipscomb

Last meeting of Revitalization Committee very productive. Next meeting June 10, 2021. On-going progress of projects. Continued communication with Dan Williams Office. Vandalism.

Budget & Finance – Mark Agen

On-going discussion with Treasurer regarding ARPA 2 year payment

Fire AND EMS – Joshua Mellinger

Verbal Communication with Council. No submitted report. Absent.

Community Life, Business Activity and Parks and Recreation – Todd Brade

Parks and Rec, together with Duane from the Point hosting Town Hall on Tuesday May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Borough Hall. Discussion of engaging area youth in community, deter vandalism and encourage community pride.

Property – David Mellema

Verbal Communication with Council. No submitted report. Absent

Projects – Lyle Gillespie

Verbal Communication with Council. No submitted report. Absent

Police – Sharon Wolf

Acknowledgement of Police Report

Public Comments (Agenda and Non-Agenda Items limited to three minutes)

None

Council Comments

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Rhett Lipscomb discussed purchase of new laptops for administration.

Update of grant regarding block house /DCNR on hold.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Rhett Lipscomb for further one year extension afforded by MPC §508 to July 3, 2022, seconded by Todd Brade.

Motion to confirm Resolution for Council President Sharon Wolf authorized to execute Video Sharing Agreement made by Rhett Lipscomb and seconded by Todd Brade.

Motion made by Mark Agen for authorization to have Hirst Systems install P.C. based video surveillance recording system installed at Minch Park for a cost of \$9,955.00, seconded by Todd Brade. Further discussion needed.

Motion made by Todd Brade to confirm Resolution establishing Borough Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board seconded by Mark Agen. Mayor Hagan suggested it be placed on Committee Agenda.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Sesquicentennial Celebration Update

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Denise Reyes discussed speeding and road condition on North St. Special note of thanks to Public Works department and Mark Agen.

Robert Crowder new member of community present but logged out of meeting early with no comment.

ADJORNMENT

A Motion to adjourn was made by Todd Brade, seconded by Mark Agen Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

2021 COUNCIL MEETINGS

July 19

August 16

September 20

October 18

November 15

December 20