

Present: Pres. Fred Kellerman, Plummer Davidson, Ethel Kellerman, Chuck Weidow, Greg Ritter, Sandy Dieterle, George Holt, and Mayor Clair Martin

Meeting was held at the Milesburg Borough Building, 416 Front Street at 6:30 p.m., and opened with a salute to the flag.

VISITORS

Kirsty Lloyd – Facebook posts, open door, posts deleted and was originally for the public. The 1st Amendment Rights were blocked by an elected official. Social media targets the Borough Manager by Greg Ritter.

Dale Cain – Meeting tonight was to be about the trees? Our guys helping with the labor to remove the trees? When will the tree stumps be removed? Mulch hauled out of the Borough?

Greg Ritter – Paula Hall not getting back to him about the email and contacts our attorney. Borough minutes 10/9 and Water minutes of 10/23 and requested to keep the recording of the meetings. Greg said to Kirsty Lloyd about lying on Facebook.

Rachael Wiler – All should be done in kindness.

Becca Campbell – No trees and is easier to pull out of their driveway.

Meghan Schadle – Speeding issues on Turnpike Street. President Fred Kellerman said it is a state highway and need to contact the State Police.

Lauren Haupt – Constant near accidents.

Brian Haupt – Speeding and enforcement?

Ethel Kellerman – Some buses turn their wheels into the opposite lane.

Employee, Nick Witherite checked into a lighted speed limit sign and records the speed at a cost of \$4,000.00 each. The tree mulch was given away.

Bryce Taylor – Was recently appointed to the Centre County Library Board. The librarian will not be able to attend tonight's meeting.

Brandle Shadle – Trees were to be discussed at the meeting?

Sandy Dieterle – Have been numerous accidents and citizens need to tell us so we know.

Tracey Benson, Solicitor – PennDOT can study safety, accidents and meet a criteria.

Lauren Haupt – How to get the information to the public. Solicitor said on the website or social media.

Dale Cain – Requested before he left the meeting for an apology from the Water Authority.

Bryce Taylor – Supreme Court case(s) about social media and public officials.

Paula Hall explained why the door is locked. Chuck Weidow said it is for the security.

A motion made by Plummer Davidson and second by George Holt to adopt the minutes of 10/9, treasurer and budget reports, and pay the bills. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

A motion made by Ethel Kellerman and a second by Plummer Davidson to adopt Resolution #2023-5 (Penns Valley Code – rates). Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

A motion made by Greg Ritter and a second by Chuck Weidow to adopt Resolution #2023-6 (Personnel Policy amend vacation time). Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

A motion made by George Holt and a second by Ethel Kellerman to adopt Resolution #2023-7 (Agreement with Fiore, Fedelli, Carothers to audit the 2023 financial records). Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT (Keith Rupert) – Had to leave the meeting early due to an emergency. Solicitor said a tenant at 406 Front Street has been working on his truck, which is up on jacks, and this needs to be taken care of immediately due to safety issues.

SOLICITOR (Tracey Benson)

Railroad St. Bridge Replacement – Hilliard’s still need to sign their easement.

A motion made by Greg Ritter and a second by Plummer Davidson to approve the Borough and Water Lease Agreement. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

A motion made by Ethel Kellerman and a second by Greg Ritter to approve the Borough and Water Shared Facility Agreement. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Speed display boards are \$4,000.00 each and we need to paint the crosswalks.

STREET COMMITTEE

None

BUDGET & FINANCE

A motion made by Greg Ritter and a second by Chuck Weidow to add to the list of approved bills Tracey Benson, solicitor in the amount of \$3,105.00. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

2024 Budget – Fire Co. share 1 2/3 mills at a cost of \$4,947.29 and BEMS (Ambulance) requested at a cost of \$7,275.00. A motion made by Greg Ritter and a second by Chuck Weidow to advertise the tentative 2024 budget to be adopted at the 12-11-2023 meeting. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

HEALTH & SANITATION

None

BUILDING & ZONING

Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency – no report

FIRE & POLICE

Oversight Committee – The fire company budget is based on 1 2/3 mills.

Events – A motion made by Ethel Kellerman and a second by Chuck Weidow to approve a breakfast fundraiser on 11/18. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PARK

Vandalism of the men’s bathroom sink.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A motion made by George Holt and a second by Plummer Davidson for next year the borough employees to assist the Bald Eagle Nittany Railroad with a crossing on Front Street. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

MAIL

Chester Height Boro – Penndot regulations
Centre County Recycling
Grants
BEMS report

APPOINTMENTS

Tax Collector – Hold the appointment until January, 2024.

A motion made by George Holt and a second by Plummer Davidson to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Motion carried with all of council voting yes.

Minutes by: _____
Paula J. Hall, Manager/Sec.-Treas.