

## **Milesburg Borough Council Meeting**

### **Special Meeting**

**416 Front Street**

**September 25, 2024**

Council Members Present: Fred Kellerman, Plummer Davidson, Shirley Martin, Kirsty Lloyd, Barry Campbell, Jr., and Lauren Davidson-Haupt.

Mayor Clair Martin was also present.

Solicitor, Tracey Benson, was not present.

Members of the public are invited to voice any concerns or problems with a five-minute per person time limit during the visitor's portion of the committee. Comments relating to specific items on the agenda may be deferred by the President/Vice-President/Chairman ProTem until that point in the meeting. Electronic recording of the meeting cannot be done without making the council aware of it.

\*The general public must be allowed a comment period on any emergency items not on the current agenda that the council may introduce for a vote before such voting occurs.)

President Fred Kellerman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **Visitors**

#### **New Business**

##### **1. Street Maintenance Employee – hiring discussion.**

The personnel committee recommended Chad Bechdel. President Kellerman asked for a motion to hire Chad Bechdel as the full-time General Maintenance Employee, at \$20/hour, with a start date of October 8, 2024.

Motion made by Plummer Davidson and seconded by Ethel Kellerman, to hire Chad Bechdel as the full-time General Maintenance Employee at \$20/hour, with a start date of October 8, 2024.

Approved unanimously.

##### **2. Milesburg Museum & Historical Car/Truck Show – road closing**

President Kellerman stated that the Milesburg Museum & Historical Society request road closures for the Car/Truck show. The closures would be Market Street from Mill Street to Catherine Street for show vehicles, as well as Centre Street from Water Street to Hazel Street, on Saturday September 28, 2024, from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm. President Kellerman also mentioned that the borough always gave them a \$500 donation, do we want to continue this?

Motion made by Ethel Kellerman and seconded by Kirsty Lloyd to donate the amount of \$500 to the Milesburg Museum & Historical Society. Approved unanimously.

Motion made by Lauren Davidson-Haupt and seconded by Shirley Martin per the request of the Milesburg Museum & Historical Society to close Market Street from Mill Street to Catherine Street for show vehicles, as well as Centre Street from Water Centre to Hazel Street on Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Ruth Bardnt inquired about the recent hiring decision concerning the General Maintenance Employee's duties, particularly regarding brush and leaf collection. President Kellerman affirmed the need for an additional hire, highlighting safety regulations that prohibit one person from using the brush chipper alone. Lauren Davidson-Haupt mentioned that during the September 9, 2024, meeting, the council approved the hiring of Devon Bechdel as the Lead Maintenance Employee, and at this meeting the hiring of Chad Bechdel as a General Maintenance Employee. This decision complies with OSHA regulations, which require that no one operates a chipper or heavy machinery solo. It was noted that Devon and Chad Bechdel are father and son. President Kellerman also stated that brush pickup is set for the last Monday in October, followed by leaf collection.

Lloyd inquired whether the Street Committee had convened to review the responsibilities, outstanding tasks, and priorities that require attention. Vice President Davidson responded that the personnel committee had already addressed these matters during their interview with Devon. Lloyd requested that a list of duties be provided at the upcoming council meeting on October 14, 2024.

Motion to adjourn named by Ethel Kellerman and seconded by Plummer Davidson. Approved unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:51 p.m.

Submitted by,

Robyn D. Dyke, Secretary-Treasurer