



Muncy Borough Council Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2016



The Muncy Borough Council met for its regular meeting at Boro Hall with the following members present: Tillie Noviello, Elaine McAleer, Linda Stein, Edward Feigles, and Karen Richards, and Dana Bertin. *President Baker was absent.*

Staff Present: Boro Secretary, Tara Rall Boro Manager, William Ramsey
Chief of Police, James Dorman Treasurer, Jeff Sholtis

Guests: Boro Mayor, Jon Ort Boro Solicitor, Chris Kenyon
Pat Crossley of Sun Gazette, John Somits, Resident
Tim & Crystal Millard, Residents John Whitaker, Resident

Call to order: Vice Pres. Noviello called meeting to order at 7pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Participation: John Somits of Sherman Street addressed council in regard to ongoing storm water problems at his property. His side yard is still being flooded during heavy rains, sometimes as deep as 3 feet. Council informed Mr. Somits that beginning in June, 2017 the boro will be opening the road at the intersection of Penn and Sherman to correct a blocked storm water drain. Mr. Somits also provided council with information he obtained in regard to Delta Thermo Energy. Mr. Somits urged council to please do their research prior to agreeing to this company coming into the boro.

Tim and Crystal Millard were told that their house, which is directly across from the Andritz Building, would depreciate in value if this Delta Thermo Energy purchases the Andritz Building. She raised concerns over smell, noise and rodents that would result in that facility being across the street.

Executive Session: Council took a recess to enter an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Meeting reconvened.

K. RICHARDS MADE MOTION TO ACCEPT POLICE OFFICER ANTHONY OELER'S RESIGNATION EFFECTIVE JULY 22, 2016. E. FEIGLES MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

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K. RICHARDS MADE MOTION TO APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF 7/18/16. E. FEIGLES MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

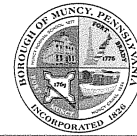
Fire Department Report: Fire Chief Delaney informed council that are looking to purchase an "engine/tanker combo". The monthly report will be sent to T. Rall as soon as possible.

Old Business:

1. Municibid – Sno-lander: Highest bid of \$590.00:

E. FEIGLES MADE MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF SNO-LANDER AT \$590.00 THROUGH MUNICIBID. K. RICHARDS MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

W. Ramsey wants to now sell the tar-buggy through Municibid.



D. BERTIN MADE MOTION TO SELL TAR-BUGGY THROUGH MUNICIBID. E. MCALEER MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

2. Rescinding Sidewalk Ordinance: At last council meeting, council passed a motion advertise the rescinding of the current sidewalk ordinance. Solicitor Kenyon urged council to not rescind the current sidewalk ordinance until a new ordinance is ready to be adopted in its place. Currently this ordinance is non-enforceable as there are no fines specified. W. Ramsey provided council with a draft Resolution naming Codes Inspections Inc., the Muncy Borough Police Department and/or the Borough Manager to be enforcers of all ordinances. Council will discuss this further at the next meeting.

3. Andritz Building: In regard to the possible purchase of the Andritz Building by Delta Thermo Energy, Solicitor Kenyon informed council that the only role they could play in this would be in regard to a Conditional Use Application. This would be reviewed and approved by council. The only way this application could be denied is if it is considered “unreasonable”.

Borough Manager updates:

- The Army Corp is working with the Boro to get money to finish surveying the storm drain system. W. Ramsey is hoping to get Glade Run included in this surveying. It could cost as much as \$500,000.00 to map the storm drains.
- Providence Engineering currently owns the building attached to their offices on Main Street. They are applying for a demolition permit to begin demolition to the back of the building. This will be a 2-phase project. If enough money is left over they will begin work on the front of the building.
- Railroad Street: The Township and Boro share ownership of a pipe under Railroad Street. The road is being washed away. The Boro will be using street money to build wing walls to help slow down the erosion. Bids are currently out.

Treasurer's Reports:

4a. Check Disbursements:

General Fund:

D. BERTIN MADE MOTION TO APPROVE GENERAL FUND INCLUDING CKS. 4646-4685, INCLUDING 2 EFTS AND 8 DCS TOTALING \$105,701.80. E. MCALEER MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Equipment Fund:

K. RICHARDS MADE MOTION TO APPROVE EQUIPMENT FUND INCLUDING CKS. 136-137 TOTALING \$39,593.16. E. FEIGLES MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Green Street Park Fund:

E. MCALEER MADE MOTION TO APPROVE GREEN STREET PARK FUND INCLUDING CK. 1002 TOTALING \$78.00. L. STEIN MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Shade Tree Fund:

E. MCALEER MADE MOTION TO APPROVE CK 204 TOTALING \$83.80. K. RICHARDS MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.



Liquid Fuels Fund:

K. RICHARDS MADE MOTION TO APPROVE CK 138 TOTALING \$40,583.61. E. MCALEER MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

b. Bank Balances:

E. MCALEER MADE MOTION TO APPROVE BANK BALANCES IN ITS ENTIRETY. D. BERTIN MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

New Business: N/A

Correspondence:

5. John Whitaker resignation from ZHB:

K. RICHARDS MADE MOTION TO REGRETFULLY ACCEPT JOHN WHITAKER'S RESIGNATION FROM THE ZONING HEARING BOARD. E. MCALEER MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

6. Trade & Transit Centre invite: Council reviewed.

Borough Reports:

16. Solicitor: N/A

17. Police Chief's report: Council reviewed reports.

18. Fire Department report: Discussed at beginning of meeting.

19. Tax Collector's report: Council reviewed.

20. Excavation Permits: Council reviewed.

21. Zoning/Building Codes Officer Report: Council reviewed.

22. Public Works: Street's Report: Council reviewed.

23. Commission Reports: MBMA: Council reviewed.

Committee Reports:

Public Participation:

Individual Council Members: *K. Richards* would like to appoint Levi Woodward to the Zoning Hearing Board. T. Rall will prepare Resolution for next meeting.

T. Noviello asked, on behalf of the Business Assoc., if the boro could provide lighting for the last 4th Friday of the summer. E. McAleer will ask WBRA if they have emergency lighting the boro could use.

Mayor: N/A

Executive Session: Personnel matters to be discussed at this session. Meeting will not reconvene.

Adjournment: 8:30pm D. BERTIN MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING. E. MCALEER MADE 2ND. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Respectfully submitted:

Tara Rall

Tara Rall,
Muncy Borough Secretary