

November 19, 2016

The Muncy Borough Council met for its regular meeting at the Muncy High School auditorium with the following members present: President Richard Baker, Vice President Matilda Noviello, Dana Bertin, Edward Feigles, Elaine McAlear and Karen Richards. Linda Stein was absent. Mayor Jon Ort was also present.

Staff Present: Borough Manager, Bill Ramsey
 Chief of Police, Jim Dorman
 Borough Solicitor, Christopher Kenyon

Guests: Bill Poulton, President of the Muncy Historical Society
 Dean L. Barto, Vice President of Operations, Young Industries
 William A. Reinsel, Vice President of Operations, Andritz
 Joshua D. Gardner, Environmental and Facilities Engineer, Andritz
 Muncy Borough Residents and others (see sign in sheet)
 Pat Crossley, Sun-Gazette

President Baker called the meeting to order at 7:05pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

M. Noviello made a motion to appoint, by Resolution, Councilwoman Karen Richards as the Assistant Secretary. E. McAlear seconded and motion passed 5-0. K. Richards abstained.

Guests

Bill Poulton read a Resolution that the Muncy Historical Society's Board of Directors adopted and which expresses their objection to a waste processing facility being located in Muncy Borough.

Mr. Poulton also described a new initiative for the Muncy Historical Society called "Community Heart and Soul". This comprehensive planning initiative for Muncy Borough, Muncy Creek Township and Muncy Township will take four (4) years to complete. He requested that Muncy Borough support this initiative and stated that Muncy Creek Township passed a Resolution to show their support.

Mr. Poulton will deliver a copy of the Resolution (regarding waste processing facilities) as well as information on the Community Heart and Soul project so that council and residents can review.

Joshua D. Gardner presented to council concerns that Andritz has regarding Ordinance 538. These concerns are detailed in a letter that Mr. William A. Reinsel sent to council on November 21.

Dean L. Barto stated that Young Industries shares these same concerns and similarly sent a letter to council detailing these concerns.

Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2016

K. Richards motioned to accept the meeting minutes of 11/1/2016 as presented. M. Noviello seconded and motion passed 5-0, with D. Bertin abstaining.

Old Business

1. Proposed Ordinance #538 Re: Adverse Impacts of Residual Waste Facilities and Air Pollution Facilities.

K. Richards motioned that Council convene a meeting of the interested parties of two (2) representatives from Borough Council, two (2) representatives from the citizens group which had requested that council consider this Ordinance and Dean Barto of Young Industries and William Reinsel and Joshua Gardner of Andritz. These individuals, along with the Solicitor, will determine any changes that can be made to the Ordinance to address the issues of all parties. M. Noviello seconded and motion passed 6-0.

K. Richards motioned that Council re-advertise the ordinance so that it meets the timelines required for subsequent consideration. M. Noviello seconded and motion passed 6-0.

2. Air Quality Control Ordinance

C. Kenyon reported that council needs to consider the regulatory requirements of this Ordinance prior to moving forward. No action required at this time.

3. New Police vehicle

Chief Dorman requested that council consider purchasing a new police vehicle to replace the Crown Vic that was purchased in 2014 at a cost of \$2500.00. He stated that there are three police officers on duty during the daytime shift, including the new School Resource Officer who is employed (for the school year, only) for the Montgomery School District and assigned to the schools in Montgomery.

Request was referred jointly to the Finance and Equipment Committees for consideration after December 1, 2016.

New Business

1. Removal of Sidewalk.

Ray and Tina Carter, 511 South Market Street have submitted an application to remove their sidewalk. It was explained to them that the Sidewalk Ordinance does not allow for the removal of a sidewalk. D. Bertin recommended that this be tabled until Spring.

2. Benecon Open Enrollment Option Change

E. McAlear motioned that the Borough change the Health Insurance policy to allow an open enrollment option (available at any time) at no additional charge to the Borough.
D. Bertin seconded and motion passed 6-0.

3. Cash in lieu of vacation time

Police Officer David Williams has requested that he receive cash in lieu of taking his vacation for the balance of unused 2016 vacation time. The request was made on his behalf by Chief Dorman.

It was explained to Chief Dorman that the current police contract does not allow payment in lieu of taking vacation time; however, the new contract effective January, 2017 will allow him to carry up to five (5) days over and he has until June 30, 2017 to use his (2016) vacation. He will receive a letter indicating all aspects of the contract related to his individual situation.

3. DAP-2 Designation of Resolution Agent

E. McAlear motioned to execute DAP-2 to designate Bill Ramsey as the Resolution Agent. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0. Mr Ramsey can now complete PEMA Form DAP-12, the Small Project Completion Report for funds received as a result of Tropical Storm Lee in 2011.

4. 2017 Borough Budget

E. McAlear, Chair of the Finance Committee, distributed copies of the 2017 Borough Budget.

D. Bertin motioned to advertise the Budget. E. McAlear seconded and motion passed 6-0.

5. Real Estate Property Tax Increase

E. McAlear announced that there will be a one-tenth of one mil tax increase for 2017. D. Bertin motioned to advertise the 2017 tax rate Ordinance. E. McAlear seconded and motion passed 6-0.

Correspondence:

Muncy Public Library budget request for 2017
Community Action Program (CAP) budget request for 2017
Letter from William A. Reinsel, Vice President of Operations, Andritz
Letter from Dean L. Barto, Vice President of Operations, Young Industries

Committee Reports

K. Richards announced that the Personnel Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 13 at 4:30.

Individual Council Members:

K. Richards recommended that beginning in 2017, Council consider changing its second meeting of the month which is currently the 3rd Monday. Muncy Creek Township is interested in quarterly meetings between the two municipalities and they meet on the 3rd Monday, which would be the best time for them. In addition, both municipalities meeting on the same date places limits on ability of individuals and/or community organizations that want to attend each meeting and/or need/want to address issues to both municipalities.

President Baker announced that Council met in Executive Session on November 21 to discuss personnel and legal issues.

Solicitor

The Solicitor announced that Council removed the Nativity Scene which had been placed on Borough property by the Streets Department after Council was advised that it could be subject to legal action that had the potential of assessing punitive damages to the Borough. M. Noviello stated that while Council does not disagree with the sentiment expressed by the residents, it was the fiscally prudent thing to do.

Public Participation

Jeff Smead stated that he was disappointed that the Resiliency Project wasn't on the agenda and requested that it be added to the agenda for the December 6th meeting. He also stated that possibly Council could consider approving a Resolution in support of this effort.

Adjournment

At 8:07pm, D. Bertin motioned to adjourn the meeting. E. Feigles seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Richards
Assistant Secretary



Muncy Borough Council
Meeting Agenda
Muncy Jr./Sr. High School
November 22, 2016 @ 7pm



"Lycoming County Starts Here"

Call to Order:

Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Guests/Public Participation: William Poulton, Muncy Historical Society

Minutes: November 1, 2016

Old Business:

1. Proposed Ordinance #538 Re: Adverse Impacts of Residual Waste Facilities and Air Pollution Facilities
2. Air Quality Control Ordinance

Treasurer's Reports:

3. a. Check Disbursements
b. Bank Balances

New Business:

4. Removal of Sidewalk – Ray & Tina Carter, 511 S. Market St.
5. Benecon Open Enrollment Option Change
6. Ptlm. David Williams Cash In lieu of Vacation Request
7. 2017 Muncy Borough Budget

Correspondence:

8. Muncy Public Library Request 2017
9. CAP Request 2017

Borough Reports:

10. Borough Manager:
11. Solicitor:
12. Police Chief's report:
13. Fire Department Report:
14. Tax Collector's report:
15. Excavation Permits:
16. Zoning/Building Codes Officer:
17. Public Works: Street's Report
18. Commission Reports: MBMA, WBRA

Committee Reports:

Public Participation

Individual Council Members

Mayor

Executive Session

Adjournment

Next meeting will be on December 6, 2016 at location to be announced