

# **Muncy Borough Council Meeting Minutes**

**August 17, 2017**

The Muncy Borough Council met at its regular meeting at the Muncy Borough building with the following members present: President Richard Baker, Ed Feigles, Elaine McAleer, Karen Richards and Linda Stein. Mayor Jon Ort was present. Dana Bertin arrived at 7:30.

Staff/Borough Officials present: Solicitor Christopher Kenyon, Borough Manager, Bill Ramsey, Police Officer Ernest Delp.

Guests: Pat Crossley, Williamsport Sun-Gazette, Jay Richards, owner of the Ritz Theater, Eric Moore, Executive Director of the West Branch Regional Authority and Betty Baker, Muncy Borough resident and others - see sign-in sheet.

President Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Eric Moore presented a letter to council and spoke in favor of the borough's acquisition of the Opera House. Betty Baker spoke in opposition of the borough's acquisition of the Opera House.

## **MINUTES**

E. McAleer motioned to approve the minutes of the July 20th meeting, as presented. L. Stein seconded and motion passed 5-0. K. Richards stated that the minutes of the July 27th special meeting will be available at the next council meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Muncy Resiliency Project Update**

#### **Opera House Acquisition**

E. Feigles motioned to adopt the Memorandum of Understanding, as amended and move forward with the acquisition of the Opera House and to authorize the Borough Manager to act as signatory for any/all documents necessary to execute this transaction. L. Stein seconded and motion failed 3-2. L. Stein requested a roll call vote which President Baker conducted. Voting yes: E. Feigles and L. Stein. Voting no: E. McAleer, K. Richards and R. Baker.

### **Floodplain Housing Remediation Program**

Nothing new to report

### **Wireless Ordinance**

K. Richards reported that the draft ordinance and comments will be sent to Solicitor Kenyon so that he can complete the Ordinance.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

### **Check Disbursements**

E. Feigles motioned to approve checks #5203 through 5240 plus two debit charges (DC) and two electronic funds transfers (EFT) for a total of \$150,420.87 from the general fund. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. Feigles motioned to approve checks #005 and 006 plus one EFT for a total of \$2,465.00 from the emergency fund. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. McAleer motioned to approve one EFT from the capital improvement fund for a total of \$4,455.00. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. Feigles motioned to approve check #217 from the shade tree fund for a total of \$173.23. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. McAleer motioned to approve check #10 from the employee health reimbursement fund for a total of \$500.00. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. McAleer motioned to approve checks #1008 through 1010 from the Green Street Park fund for a total of \$11,450.00. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

E. McAleer motioned to approve check #139 from the Liquid Fuels fund for a total of \$51,866.15. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

### **Bank Balances**

E. McAleer motion to approve the bank balances report in its entirety. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

### **Past Unpaid Invoices**

E. McAleer motioned to approve payment of the outstanding Baker-Tilly invoice in the amount of \$2,249.52 without including any late charges. This invoice was for the final payment related to the 2016 Audit. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0. Solicitor Kenyon will prepare a letter which explains why the borough does not consider any late charges as valid.

E. McAleer motioned to approve payment to HRG in the amount of \$5,148.00 related to engineering for restoration of Glade Run. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Muncy Police Pension Plan MMO 2018**

L. Stein motioned to approve the MMO which obligates Muncy Borough to pay \$41,045.00 into the pension fund in 2018. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

### **Non-Uniform Employee Pension Plan MMO 2018**

L. Stein motioned to approve the MMO which obligates Muncy Borough to pay \$44,908.00 into the pension fund in 2018. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

### **Resolution 2017-008, Resilient Neighbors Network**

L. Stein motioned to approve Resolution 2017-008 which will allow Muncy Borough to join this network at an annual membership fee of \$100. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

**Resolution 2017-009, Muncy Creek Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan**

L. Stein motioned to approve Resolution 2017-009. E. Feigles seconded and motion passed 6-0.

**Designated Crosswalk**

E. Feigles motioned to designate a new crosswalk which will traverse Sherman Street at Schuyler Avenue. This crosswalk will include parking restrictions applicable to a crosswalk. E. McAleer seconded and motion passed 6-0.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS/MAYOR COMMENTS**

E. McAleer announced that the Finance Committee will begin meeting to work on the 2019 budget.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Eric Moore stated that he will discuss with the WBRA board the possibility of WBRA acquiring the Opera House. This will be considered at their next meeting, September 13th.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Solicitor Kenyon announced that an executive session will follow this meeting for the purpose of discussing possible litigation. Council will not reconvene and there will be no vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to conduct, E. McAleer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. D. Bertin seconded and motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Richards  
Assistant Secretary