

MUNCY BOROUGH COUNCIL

August 7, 2018

The meeting of the Muncy Borough Council was called to order in the Borough Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M. by President Ed Feigles. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Members present were Ed Feigles, Elaine McAleer, Rick Umpstead, Linda Stein, Dana Bertin, Bill Burns and Mayor Jon Ort. Absent Buzz Baker

Staff Present: Police Chief Jim Dorman, Borough Manger Bill Ramsey and Solicitor Chris Kenyon.

Guest: Pat Crossley of the Williamsport Sun-Gazette, Student Brittany Lambert, Residents Michael Diehl and Barbie Lister

Minutes for July 10th, July 19th and August 7, 2018 will be approved at the August 16, 2018 meeting

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Rick Umpstead to accept the Treasures Report as presented was second by Linda Stein. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business

Green Street Park

Strayer Brothers submitted a quote for installing the pavilion, picnic tables, benches and trash receptacles. While the quote is under the bid mandate, DCNR has red flagged the project because the contractor is not a Co-Stars member. Bill Ramsey has scheduled a conference call with DCNR to attempt to rectify the issue.

New Business

Shade Tree Commission

The commission did not meet last month. Two requests have been submitted to the borough for review. Commission Member, Gary Williams will look into the request in the interim.

July/August Flood Update

- a) Glade Run/Muncy Creek – Normal flooding occurred in the areas of Carpenter Street and Green Street Park. Flooding occurred in the East Penn Street area due to several trees unable to make it under the footbridge to Lyons Park. The blockage unseated the footbridge and caused the water to rise. Muncy Creek overflowed its banks west of Main Street (John Brady Drive area). It was noted that a large portion of Glade Runs capacity is taken up by Muncy Creek thus causing flooding upstream.
- b) Susquehanna River Gauge - The gauge is not performing properly. Steps are being taken to correct the problem.
- c) Turn Around, Don't Drown! - While the borough closed Carpenter Street, PennDot closed Water and Main Streets. Eleven citation were issued to drivers decided to drive on the closed streets. It was noted, that only PennDot can reopen a state road.
- d) Andritz Alley - Complaints have been received on the condition of the alley with water runoff. The Borough Manager, will contact Andritz to arrange a meeting to discuss the problem.

Correspondence/Announcements:

Michael Ort submitted a letter and photos of the alley adjacent to his property. He is concerned with the way the alley is being used with school traffic. Chief Dorman will handle his complaint.

Muncy School District submitted their NPDES Permit for stromwater discharges.

Public Comments

Michael Diehl expressed his concerns with the Water Street Bridge. The bridge, in his opinion is inadequate in a flood situation. He is concerned with the debris that is still under the bridge. Mr. Diehl was informed, Muncy Creek has offered to help the borough clean out under the bridge.

Barb Lister expressed her concerns with the future zoning map changes. Primarily, the Historic District. She was afraid the changes would make zoning stricter. Ms. Lister was informed regulations for the Historic District would not change only the size of the district would change.

Borough Reports

Borough Manager – Nothing at this time

Solicitor – *Demo Ordinance* – A draft was given to each council member for review.

Police Department – attached.

Commission/Authority Reports – MBMA, WBRA attached

Individual Council Members –

Mayor Ort – working on a community Christmas tree for the Main and Water Street lot.

Ed Feigles – Update on blue ribbons – Main and Washington Streets are now done.

Elaine McAleer – Questioned what the pink marking on Main Street were. Answer – part of the 2021 rebuilding of the intersection. She also asked for council to concenter creating an ordinance that would limit the area for buyouts. She also asked for the equipment committee to research the cost of a jet trailer.

With no further business to discuss, **motion** to adjourn was made by Dana Bertin at 8:55 pm. All were in favor. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine McAleer

Acting Secretary