

**MUNCY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 1, 2022**

The meeting of the Muncy Borough Council was called to order in the Borough Hall 6:00 P.M. by President B Scott. The Pledge of Allegiance followed and a moment of silence was lead by President B Scott.

Council Members present: Scott Delany, Bill Scott, Linda Stein(call in), Steve Shank, Richard Baker, Thad Martin, Jason Mausteller, Mayor J Ort. *Absent:* none

Staff Present: Boro Manager C. Hall(call in), Police Chief – J Dorman, Sec/Treas – J Sholtis.

Guest: Tim Lupold, Kevin Rupert, Bill Poulton, Selinda Kennedy

Minutes - February 1st minutes were motioned to be approved by S Delany and 2nd by R Baker. The motion carried 7-0.

Treasurer's Report - Cash Disbursements and current bank and CD balances were presented by J Sholtis. It was pointed out that the borough received a dividend payment from DGK insurance for \$8,896. This payment is the same as was received in 2021. Both payments are a windfall for the borough. B Scott motioned to accept as presented. 2nd by R Baker. The motion carried 7-0.

Old Business:

Muncy Creek Township MOU - Boro Manager C Hall updated council on the status of the MOU changes that are being made to the MOU. He suggested the MOU remain as is since the MOU provides for the process of annexation to commence upon meeting the conditions in the agreement. Solicitor Williams indicated that annexation is very difficult.

Leaf Machine Resolution 2022-01 – Boro manager C Hall presented a Resolution to sell the old leaf machine to Mill Creek Township for \$1. L Stein motioned and T Martin 2nd. The motion carried 7-0.

New Business:

Corvette Show - council approved having the Corvette show on September 17th. Penndot will issue the permit. C Hall will make the Corvette Club aware of the potential of the Main street road construction project may not be finished at that time.S Delany motioned to approve the event. S Shank 2nd. The motion carried 7-0.

EMA update – Tim Lupold introduced himself and updated Council on the EMA position. He also presented Resolution #2022-02 for approval. The resolution has Muncy borough adopting the emergency plan of Lycoming County. The emergency plan is to be reviewed by the County and Borough every two years. L Stein motioned to approve the resolution. S Shank 2nd the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Fire Company opinion letter – S Delany presented a letter from the bank. The fire co is looking for a support letter from the borough in order to get a low interest loan for their new facility. Solicitor S Williams pointed out that the letter does not obligate the borough so no action is needed. The solicitor will prepare the letter.

Borough audit 2022 – Treasurer J Sholtis updated council on the 2021 audit. The audit is nearly completed and we will get the DCED report soon. There were no findings and the General Fund had a excess in 2021 of \$43,500. Council can designate another fund or purpose for those monies or simply leave in the General Fund.

Covid employee procedure – C Hall reported that there is not a procedure in place if a employee misses work from being sick with Covid. The police are covered by a Federal mandate. T Martin motioned that anytime a employee needs to quarantine due to Covid -19, the employee will be paid for time off, retroactively to January 1st 2022. Proof of the quarantine must be provided to the borough. S Shank 2nd the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Maintenance shed spouting – C Hall presented a quote to have spouting installed. Currently the equipment in the building gets wet and ice and mud are forming. Another lengthy discussion ensued regarding the pole building and boro facilities. T Martin motioned to have the spouting installed and payment to come out of the Building Fund. S Shank 2nd the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Borough manager – C Hall reported that two grants have been applied for. The manager has also requested FEMA lot regulations from the County. C Hall also indicated that the Mayor needs to be replaced by a Council member on the boro committees in which he is currently listed.

Agenda addition: B Scott motioned to add the blue flood signs to the agenda. J Mosteller 2nd the motion. The motion carried 6- 1. L Stein voted no.

Blue flood signs - B Scott motioned to remove all of the such signs in Muncy. A lengthy discussion ensued. Who put up the signs? Can we take them down without penalty? Who will take them down? Manger C Hall will research and find out if we can take them down or if they should stay up as part of the Resiliency plan. B Scott withdrew his motion.

Shaefer property – A discussion was held regarding this property. It is in both borough and Muncy Creek Twp. Does the owner have the proper permits? Has the Department of Environmental Protection been contacted? Manager C Hall will research and report to council.

Correspondence/Announcements:

Borough reports:

Police Department – February report attached.

Fire Department – no report provided.

MBMA – January report attached.

Streets Department – no written report provided.

Tax Reports – February report attached.

WBRA – January report attached.

Library – no written report provided.

Public Participation: - B Poulton again updated Council on the ‘grassy knoll’ project. The area is now to be called Crossroads Park. B Poulton and B Scott will meet and have a serious discussion about the project.

B Poulton will continue to update council as the project moves ahead.

S Kennedy is pleased that council is looking at things for kids. Mayor Ort will contact the school for student participation possibilities.

Individual Council members –

R Baker motioned to adjourn. S Shank 2nd the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

A Executive session was held to discuss legal matters. Council will not reconvene.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sholtis

Borough Secretary / Treasurer