MUNCY BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES May 4, 2021

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

Council Members present: Ed Feigles, Linda Stein(called in), Dana Bertin, Richard Baker, Scott Delany, Rick Umpstead, Thad Martin. Absent: Mayor Jon Ort.

Staff Present: Boro Manager C. Hall, Police Chief - J. Dorman, and J. Sholtis - Sec/Treas.

Guest: Fire Dept. 1st Asst. Chief Rupert. Sun-gazette representative John. McCormick Law firm representative Morgan.

Minutes: April 6 2021; approved on a motion by S. Delany, seconded by D. Bertin. The motion carried 7-0.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer J Sholtis reported April expenditures and bank balances. S Delany motioned to accept the Treasurers Report. Second by T. Martin all were in favor. Motion carried. 7-0

Old Business:

<u>New facility update</u>. The committee met with Fire co architect Mike Rumble. He will come back to the committee with recommendations in 3 weeks. Muncy Creek Township has agreed to the annexation of the maintenance shed property in order for the borough to build and eventually have meetings there. S Delany moved for the borough solicitor to move forward with the process. E Fiegles 2nd. The motion carried 7-0.

Non-uniform 2021 employee wages. The personnel committee is recommending a 3% wage increase for all non-uniform employees employed by the boro for more than 6 months retroactive to January 1st 2021. R Umpstead claims that the street work is not getting done. He also states that performance evaluations have not been done. It was questioned if J Gramling was ever named as streets 'coordinator'. The motion carried 6-1. R Umpstead voting no.

New Business:

Borough clean-up 2021: Manager C Hall reported that the borough clean-up days were a success. Special thanks go out to K Hakes for coordinating and participating in the event.

<u>Library Engineering RFP</u>: C Hall reported that the library is looking to accept RFP quotes for architectural services. E Feigles moved for the library to move forward to obtain quotes. T Martin 2nd. The motion carried 7-0.

<u>Hiring of PT police officer</u>: Chief J Dorman reported Amanda Barnes will be hired as a new part-time police officer. D Bertin motioned and R Umpstead 2nd. Motion carried 7-0.

Oil Spill invoice: a tank of used motor oil was spilled at the alley of 15 N Washington st. A invoice from Enviroserve for \$4,528.69 is to be paid out of the Emergency fund. D Bertin motioned and S Delany 2nd. The motion carried 7-0. Any reimbursement received against the invoice is to be placed back into the Emergency fund. The vendor is to be contacted to ensure the absorption sock is removed prior to paying the invoice.

<u>Lycoming County hazard mitigation plan</u>: C Hall reported that Muncy boro is to enter into the updated hazard mitigation plan with Lycoming County. T Martin motioned to enter into the agreement. S Delany 2nd. Motion carried 7-0.

Memorial Day parade: Chief Dorman reported that he was approached by the Muncy Legion to obtain a permit to have a Memorial Day parade. It is too late in the year to obtain a permit. Main street is to be under construction at that time. There are COVID concerns of large gatherings of people. The Chief is to contact the Legion and inform them that there will not be a Memorial parade this year. He will ask if they will consider a parade for July 4th and that they are to perform their own permitting thru Penndot.

<u>Individual Council members:</u> R Umpstead led a discussion regarding sidewalks. It was agreed by council to continue not to require sidewalk permits. This is due to the many homes in the boro that their sidewalk is not compliant and/or they have no sidewalk. Enforcement would be impossible. C Hall suggested that the boro encourage residents to contact the boro for guidelines if they are replacing their sidewalk. This will be put on the face book page.

Borough Reports

Borough Manager – C Hall is working thru the Comcast billing issues. He also provided a report on Waldron Park. The hole, pavilion and lighting was discussed. More graffiti has shown up in the ball field dugouts. J Dorman will check into pricing and options for security cameras. He will report back at the June council meeting. C Hall and the streets department are trying to come up with a procedure to use the wood chipper for residents. R Baker warned of following the grant guidelines and reporting in order to get reimbursement for the cost of the chipper.

Police Department - Chief Dorman provided the April report to Council.

Fire Department - Kevin Rupert reviewed the attached report for April.

Public Works - no written report provided.

Streets Department – no written report provided.

Tax Reports – See attachment.

Library – no report provided.

With no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sholtis
Borough Secretary / Treasurer