

**MUNCY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
October 3, 2023**

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 for our armed forces and first responders was led by President B Scott.

*Council Members present:* Scott Delany, Bill Scott, Linda Stein, Steve Shank, Brooke Bishop, Richard Baker, Thad Martin.      *Solicitor:* Scott Williams

*Absent:* none

*Staff Present:* Boro Manager C. Hall , Treasurer J Sholtis, Police J Dorman, D Williams, J Lyons, K Hakes.

*Guests:* Wayne Wolfgang, Dick Sutton, Lisa Higgins, Dick Sutton, Marco Colbert, Zach Dugan, Rebecca Bertin, Lew Johnson, Kevin Rupert, Jesse Smith, Lisa Lyons, Lea Rehm, Tara Ashby, John Lynch, Pharron Banghart.

**Guests/ Public Participation:** Dick Sutton started a lengthy and spirited conversation the first item of new business the borough manager position. He indicated, again, that some agenda items are vague and unclear. Various folks, council members and employees presented positive comments for borough manager C Hall. Marco presented a electric scooter to the Muncy police department.

**Minutes September 12 2023** – S Shank motioned to accept. S Delany 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

**Treasurer Reports:** J Sholtis presented cash disbursements and bank balances for approval. S Shank motioned to approve the reports. R Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 7-0. J Sholtis then presented the 9 month budget status report 2023 for review.

**Old Business:**

**2016 cruiser bid Resolution #2023-08** – J Dorman reported that that the highest bid on the cruiser is \$6,500. Motioned to accept the bid. L Stein 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The \$6,500 from the cruiser sale will also put into the police capital fund.

**Case tractor sale Resolution #2023-9** – C Hall reported that the highest bid on the Case tractor is \$9,500. T Martin motioned to accept the bid. S Shank 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passes 7-0.

**New Business:**

**Borough Manager position** - B Scott motioned to terminate the employment of manager C Hall immediately. S Shank 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. B Scott added that himself and others felt that it was time for a change. T Martin and S Delany felt that the issue should go in front of the personnel committee prior to coming to the board. Four of the council members have heard about this issue for the first time. It was discussed if this issue should be held in a council meeting or if a Executive session should be held. At 6:45 guest P Banghart was asked to leave the meeting due to being out of line and council members were only to speak on agenda items at this time. A roll call vote was taken. B Scott – yes, R Baker-yes, S Shank – yes, T Martin – no, S Delany – no, L Stein – no, B Bishop – abstain. “Im not going to vote. I don’t want there to be any issues with conflict of interest or presumptions, especially like the one that was posted on facebook that Bill has three guaranteed votes every vote.” Tie breaker vote, mayor – yes. The motion carried 4-3.

**Fund Transfer** - L Stein presented and motioned to move \$28,000 from the general fund into the police capital fund. The \$6,500 from the cruiser will also be placed in the police fund. S Delany 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion The motion carried 7-0. The concept being that the borough puts monies in the police fund each year.

SRO program – J Dorman indicated that the SRO officer contract should be terminated due to police man power issues. The contract requires a 180 notice. The elementary school has their own hired SRO. S Williams will work up a termination letter. D Williams will remain in the school until a replacement is found. T Martin motioned to terminate the contract. L Stein 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Disposal of borough property Resolution 2023-10 – B Scott presented a resolution to dispose of borough property less than \$2,000. T Martin motioned to accept the resolution. R Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Disposal of logs and stump Resolution 2023-11 – S Williams presented. R Baker motioned to accept the resolution. S Shank 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 6-1. S Delany voted No.

Muncy police MOU - B Scott reviewed the police MOU which was originally reviewed by the personnel committee and the police bargaining unit. The police are allowed to work overtime via DUI task force or Little League world series. S Shank motioned to accept the MOU. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Livic Civil proposal - B Scott presented a proposal from Livic Civil for engineering services for school crosswalks in the boro. B Scott motioned to approve the agreement. S Shank 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

Police Chief – the AEDS are in and staff training will occur.

Borough manager – no manager. Report attached.

Linda Stein – She wants to know now that we fired the boro manager, where do go from here? The finance committee will be meeting October 10th and 24<sup>th</sup>.

IPMC J Lyons – reported on various properties in the borough. Emphasis being on removing junk cars. 21 have been removed so far. More certified letters will be going out this week.

Council members – R Baker brought up the damaged Bishop pavilion and if the boro is doing anything. Another lengthy discussion occurred about the tree.

**Guests/ Public Participation:** Lew Johnson, a resident of Green street, again addressed council of the deplorable conditions of his neighbor on Green street. Rubbish and barking dogs. There is currently no ordinance in place that limits the number of pets a resident can have. Marco wants the borough to build a metal building to house vehicles and equipment.

**Executive Session:** none

**Correspondence/Announcements:**

Borough reports:

*Police Department* – Sept report attached.

*Fire Department* – Sept report attached.

*MBMA* – no report

*Streets Department* – Sept report attached.

*Tax Reports* – Sept report attached.

*WBRA* – July report attached.

*Library* – no report

*IPMC* – Sept report attached.

T Martin motioned to adjourn. S Shank 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Sholtis

Borough Treasurer / Secretary