

Muncy Borough and Muncy Creek Township
Public Meeting
September 3, 2024

A joint Public Meeting with Muncy Creek Township on Proposed Ordinance to change the boundary lines between Muncy Borough and Muncy Creek Township to move the real property located at 143 Old Glade Run Rd from the township to the borough was called to order in the Library/Media Center of the Muncy High School at 6:30pm by President Scott Delany.

Roll Call for Muncy Borough: George Henry, Thad Martin, Ryan Scruggs, Steve Shank, Richard Sutton and Scott Delany. Bill Scott was absent.

Roll Call for Muncy Creek Township: Eric Newcomer, Gary Phillips, and Dan Whitmoyer

Present were also Mayor Jon Ort and Solicitor Chris Kenyon for Muncy Borough

Guests Present: Wayne Wolfgang, Donna Sutton, Moke Wommer, Tyler Thompson, Craig Scruggs, Harley Fry, Linda Stein, Alice Maniscalco, Greg Delany, Crist and Alicia Myers, Pharron Banghart, Chris Ebner, Brian Vann

Borough Manager Charley Hall explained the process for annexation and the reason why the Borough is pursuing it. The Borough is in need of both a new maintenance building and a borough building. Current Borough building located at 14 N Washington Street is in flood zone and under a Dept. of Justice order to make building accessible which is cost prohibitive. As part of the process to determine the most cost-effective process to replace both facilities, The Borough is seeking permission from the township to annex the land the Borough currently owns in Muncy Creek Township that contains both the maintenance facilities and Borough Police building with the intentions on building a combined maintenance/borough building on that plot of land if annexed as public meeting facilities must be in the Borough.

Council President Delany asked if the parcel was currently on the tax rolls and it is not. Council President Delany also asked what happens if the Borough sold the property after it was annexed. Mr. Hall informed him that under the current agreement, it would have to go back to the Township.

Supervisor Eric Newcomer asked other than holding meetings at this property, is there another benefit to annexing this property to the borough? Mr. Hall shared that the property is owned by and used by the Borough and the annexation would enable the Borough to build one building. Hall mentioned that the Borough will be building on the property the questions is what will be included.

Council member Scruggs asked if the property being outside of the Borough would impact grants. Mr. Hall responded no because the Borough owns the parcel.

Tyler Thompson asked if there was room on that property to build a new maintenance building and borough building? Mr. Hall responded yes.

Brian Vann asked what needs to be done to get it out of flood plan? Mr. Hall responded that fill dirt has been placed and additional maybe required but we are awaiting direction from Township's permit officer.

Pharron Banghart asked if the borough could still qualify for grants if the parcel of land is still in the flood plain and if parking would be an issue? Mr. Hall responded that if it is vacant and elevated out of the zone it would not need to do anything because it is above base elevation and that parking would not be an issue.

Harley Fry member of MCT Planning Commission thinks the borough building along with the police department should be centrally located in the borough. Harley is concerned about flooding and parking in the township. He also questioned if the Borough obtained the proper permits when elevating the area in front of the existing facility.

Chris Ebner asked "Why annex now when there isn't a current plan in place?" Mr. Hall responded that we are currently in a borough building that we need to get out of. The Borough also needs to build a new maintenance building which will be built on the parcel in question for annexation. The borough needs to know if the parcel is available to build one building that includes maintenance, office, and meeting facilities.

Harley Fry mentioned that the Borough could use the parcel that the Borough building currently sits on.

MTC Supervisor Eric Newcomer asked when the current agreement expires which is December 31, 2024. Mr. Hall provided some additional background relative to the process of annexation and with the MTC and Muncy agreement specifically. Supervisor Newcomer asked if the existing agreement is easily extended. It is.

It was mentioned that the area in question is 3.2 acres.

Richard Sutton made a motion to adjourn the joint public meeting. Ryan Scruggs 2nd the motion. All present voted in the affirmative. **Public Meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charley Hall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Charley Hall