

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Hummelstown Borough Council
Thursday, March 21, 2019
7:30 p.m.

The Thursday March 21, 2019 regular meeting of the Hummelstown Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance included Brian Foster, Bob Weber, Ryan Taggart, Amanda Donohue, Randy Lutz, Dee VanGavree and Patti Krow. Also in attendance were Mayor Dave Roeting, Manager Mike O'Keefe, Chief of Police William Ryan, Finance Director Deb Hummer, and Solicitor Jon Yost.

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Weber, second by Ryan Taggart. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of the following meetings:

Regular Meeting of February 21, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ryan Taggart, second by Patti Krow. Motion carried.

Workshop Meeting of March 14, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Amanda Donohue, second by Bob Weber. Motion carried.

Citizens Hearings

There were none.

Staff Reports

Manager's Report

Mike O'Keefe reported on the results of the bond rating and refinancing of the 2014 bond. The refinancing created \$361,520 in savings. Settlement is in May but the numbers are locked in. S & P did not change the Borough's rating of AA-.

Zoning Officer's Report

The Zoning Officer's report was accepted as submitted.

Police Report

The Police Report was accepted as submitted. Chief Ryan reported that the department has been busy but it's nothing they can't handle.

Fire Company Report

There was no report submitted.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported he had attended some Fire Company events including the swearing in of officers. Last Friday, March 15th was the High School Mini-thon. The students raised \$167,000.

Financial Report

A motion to accept the financial report was made by Bob Weber, second by Ryan Taggart. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's Report

A motion to accept the tax collector's report was made by Amanda Donohue, second by Patti Krow. Motion carried.

Tax Exoneration & Exemption Report

No report was submitted

Recreation Board

Mike O’Keefe reported that he had included a Recreation Board agenda in Council’s packets. They continue to be very active.

Emergency Mgmt. Oversight Committee

Dee VanGavree reported that she along with Mike O’Keefe, Jay Stanton, Doug Knoll and an engineer from HRG met with representatives of Norfolk Southern (NS) at the underpass on North Hanover St. The discussion reviewed the Borough’s desire to have NS assist in improving the appearance of the underpass along with safety of the structure. NS would consider doing some minor improvements but any major improvements would need to go through Shawn Sterling in their Atlanta office.

March 27th is an informational meeting regarding the potential effects of the closing on TMI on the school district at the Lower Dauphin Administration office.

Shade Tree Commission

Amanda Donohue said there was nothing to report. Mike O’Keefe mentioned that they are still in need of 2 members.

COG Meeting

Dee VanGavree reported the next meeting is April 15th. She is planning on attending.

New Business

- A. Motion: To authorize Borough Council to execute and transfer the deeds for the Borough owned properties at 136 and 130 S Hanover St (Tax parcels 31-47-6 and 31-47-5 respectively) to the Dauphin County Redevelopment Authority for eventual sale on behalf of the Borough**

Motion made by Amanda Donohue, second by Patti Krow. Dee VanGavree abstained due to a conflict of interest by a family member. Motion carried.

- B. Motion: To appoint Debra Hummer as the Borough’s delegate to the Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee and Mike O’Keefe as the alternate delegate.**

Motion made by Ryan Taggart, second by Amanda Donohue. Motion carried.

Other Business

Amanda Donohue said she is resigning from Council effective May 1st. She has been honored to work with everyone but her responsibilities with her job and family make it difficult to serve. She served with the Shade Tree Commission for 16 years. She is still planning on assisting Council with the stormwater issue.

Approval of bills payable dated March 21, 2019

A motion to approve the bills was made by Patti Krow, second by Ryan Taggart. Motion carried.

Executive Session (Real Estate Matter)

Council rose into Executive Session at 7:55 pm.

Council reconvened at 8:20 pm

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Hummer