

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Hummelstown Borough Council
Thursday, July 15, 2021
7:30 p.m.

The July 15, 2021 regular meeting was called to order by President Brian Foster at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance included Bob Weber, Chad Lister, and Randy Lutz. Mayor Dave Roeting, Borough Manager Theresa Eberly, Chief Justin Hess, Finance Director Deb Hummer, Zoning Officer Steve Wyld, and Solicitor Michael Miller were also present. Patti Krow joined the meeting later.

Before the meeting Lauren Zumbrun, of Herbert, Rowland, & Grubic, presented Council with a Scope of Work to determine the funding amount for the Multimodal Transportation grant. Council had agreed on an amount of \$1 million dollars at the July 8th Workshop meeting. She offered other improvements that would increase the Scope of Work and estimated construction costs to \$1,409,558. After a lengthy discussion Council agreed that they would present a match of \$210,000, approximately 15%, and request \$1,199,558 in grant funding.

John Curtis of Blue Mountain Velo Bike Club was present to continue the discussion regarding the request for the Borough to sponsor a bike race. He had brought a waiver for Solicitor Miller to review. Council had several concerns based on the short notice including the communication of details to residents along the bike route and the difficulty for the residents to leave their homes once the races begin.

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes of the following meetings:

Regular Meeting of June 17, 2021

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

Workshop Meeting of July 8, 2021

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

Citizens Hearings

There were none.

Staff Reports

Manager's Report

Theresa Eberly thanked Council for making her part of this community and mentioned how helpful the staff has been during her first week. She reported on everything that she had accomplished this week and what she hoped to accomplish in the coming weeks.

Zoning Officer's Report

The Zoning Officer's report was accepted as submitted.

Police Report

Chief Hess reported part-time officer Andrew Weaver started on Monday, July 12th. Tomorrow he will be receiving training and then qualifying on various weapon platforms.

There have been a few issues in obtaining internet service in the park for the cameras but they are being worked through.

Officer Mason has started a traffic study regarding diagonal parking on Poplar Ave.

Fire Company Report

Steve Weaver reported that the Firemen's Carnival was a huge success.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Roeting agreed that the carnival was successful. He hopes the FFO Carnival is as successful.

Financial Report

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

Tax Collector's Report

A motion to accept the tax collector's report was made by Bob Weber, second by Chad Lister. Motion carried.

Tax Exoneration & Exemption Report

There was no report.

Recreation Board

There was no report.

Emergency Mgmt. Oversight Committee

Mayor Roeting reported that EMA will have a stand at National Night Out and the Hummelstown Arts Festival. They are continuing the Keep Cool Hummelstown program and giving away fans to Hummelstown residents.

Shade Tree Commission

There was no report.

COG Meeting

Brian Foster reported that there is a meeting next week.

Communications Committee Report

A meeting was to be held this evening but it has been rescheduled until next Thursday.

New Business

Motion: to approve Resolution 2021-R-8 authorizing the submission of an application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority's Multimodal Transportation Fund to request \$1,409,558 in grant funding for the Hummelstown Pedestrian Safety Improvements project, and designating Brian Foster, Borough Council President, and Theresa Eberly, Borough Manager, as the officials to execute all documents and agreements between the Borough of Hummelstown and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

Motion made by Bob Weber, second by Randy Lutz. Motion carried.

After the motion was made and seconded Lauren Zumbrun explained that the amount of funding requested could not include the Borough's match of \$210,000. Bob Weber changed his motion to reflect the adjusted amount of \$1,199,558.

Motion carried.

Motion: to approve the agreement between the Borough and Norfolk Southern regarding painting of the railway under pass on North Hanover Street.

Motion to table the approval of the agreement was made by Bob Weber, second by Chad Lister. Motion carried.

Motion: to approve Sara Good-Wiest's request for Borough Council to be a Non-contiguous Municipality co-applicant on the non-municipal entity Local Share Municipal Grant application for the cost related to demolition and construction at 50 N Water St.

Sara explained that she and her husband purchased the property and they are planning on constructing a luxury car repair business. They had hoped to use the existing structure but upon inspection it was not salvageable and had to be demolished. She is planning on requesting grant funds of \$75,000.

Motion made by Patti Krow, second by Bob Weber. Motion carried.

Motion: to appoint Theresa Eberly as the Borough Right to Know Officer, Borough Secretary/Treasurer and Assistant Zoning/Code Enforcement officer effective immediately.

Motion made by Randy Lutz, second by Patti Krow. Motion carried.

Motion: to approve the low-cost bidder, H and K Group, Inc. for the 2021 Street Resurfacing Program at a cost not to exceed \$82,711.22.

Motion made by Chad Lister, second by Bob Weber. Motion carried.

Motion: to approve Social Media Policy and Procedures

Motion made by Bob Weber, second by Patti Krow. Motion carried.

Approval of bills payable dated July 15, 2021.

Motion made by Patti Krow, second by Randy Lutz. Motion carried.

Motion: to approve a bike race by Blue Mountain Velo on August 21, 2021 subject to the agreement approved by the Manager and Solicitor.

Motion made by Chad Lister, second by Bob Weber. Motion carried.

Other Business

Mayor Roeting told council the pay phone from the newly purchased 7-11 has been donated to the Historical Society. He feels the building itself should be posted with No Trespassing signs. He also mentioned that the Fire Company would like to use it for training. Brian Foster mentioned that he thinks the property should be surveyed.

Executive Session – Personnel Matter

There was no need for an executive session.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectively submitted,

Deb Hummer, Finance Director