

Minutes
 Regular Meeting
 Hummelstown Borough Council
 Thursday June 15, 2023
 7:00 PM

1. Call To Order

Borough Council meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

2. Devotions

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Roll Call

Council Members:		
Brian Foster, President*	Robert Weber, Vice-President *	Mayor Dave Roeting *
Christopher Black*	Chad Lister *	Dee VanGavree *
Kelly Williamson *	Randy Lutz	
Also in Attendance:		
Theresa Eberly * Borough Manager	Justin Hess * Chief of Police	David Willard Public Works Director
Issac Underhill HRG representative	Michael Miller * Solicitor	

5. Announcements

Executive Session was held prior to the meeting for discussion on personnel and legal matters. Mayor Roeting said that Council Member Lutz is well on his way to recovery after his recent surgery.

6. Approval of the Agenda Council Member Weber requested that Borough Council add the approval of the Planning Commission member appointment to the agenda after Item 14. Motion to **Approve** the agenda was made by Robert Weber and seconded by Dee VanGavree. Motion carried.

7. Approval of the Minutes of the Following Meetings

A. Regular Meeting of May 18, 2023

Motion to **Approve** the minutes was made by Kelly Williamson and seconded by Chad Lister. Motion carried.

B. Workshop Meeting of June 8, 2023

Motion to **Approve** the minutes was made by Robert Weber and seconded by Kelly Williamson. Motion carried.

8. Public Hearing (none)

9. Presentations

A. Arts Festival Committee

Terry Gawlas provided an overview of the Arts Festival Committee and acknowledged the recipients of the 2022 Arts Festival Scholarships. In the past 11 years, the Arts Festival Committee has given out 38 scholarships totaling over \$62,000. 2022 scholarship recipients include: Cameron Barber, Lily Ditty Abigail Nissley, Abrianna Nissley, and Aden Weigle.

10. Citizen Hearings

Brenda Pera at 290 W Main Street, expressed two concerns. First, she has still not received a letter from the Shade Tree Commission concerning her tree removal application for property at 403 Birch. President Foster indicated that the Shade Tree Committee is meeting on Tuesday. The other issue

concerns consideration of CU-2023-1. She requested that Borough Council consider denying the request.

Council Member VanGavree stated that she and Council Member Black will attend the meeting to offer the Shade Tree Commission support.

Tim Gesberg(?) at 290 W Main Street express concerns about CU-2023-1 and asked Borough Council to consider denying the request. He said he lived at his current address for over 35 years and is concerned about added traffic to the alley. He also wanted to know who was going to enforce the days/times beer would be sold.

11. Staff Reports:

A. Manager's Report

Processed Rental Registration invoices and have received approximately 50% of those billed. Reminder that the deadline for registering rental properties is June 30th. July 13th we will discuss Republic Services 2024 trash/recycling proposal and would encourage all residents to attend. Monday is Juneteenth and the office will be closed.

There is a community survey on our website and we are asking all residents to take the survey and provide us with important information concerning their input on the direction of the borough.

B. Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer's Report

Report Attached.

C. Police Report

May 18th attended the Derry Township Police Officer Michael L. Henry, Jr. Highway Interchange dedication. Michael Henry, Jr. grew up in Hummelstown, PA. May 25th Sergeant Spencer was awarded the Distinguished Citizenship Award by the Elks Harrisburg Lodge #12. Officers participated in several training classes including communication, first responder, missing children, safe school routes, and uniform crime reporting. This morning, Civil Service, Mayor and I interviewed a potential part-time police officer candidate.

D. Fire Company Report

Announced the new truck is in the fire house and think it will be in service in July. The Fire Company Carnival starts Monday. There will be rides at the carnival.

E. Mayor's Report

On Memorial Day there were many people who came out and lined the streets and the service was moving. Appreciate everyone's support on this important day. Two weeks ago, I was at Kirman Eye as they were celebrating being in business 65 years in the borough. June 9th attended Relay for Life. Last evening attended HRG's open house. They completed renovation of their office. Remind everyone that the Fireman's Carnival will be from June 19-24 and I will be there to help as needed. July 12th will attend the Rotary Club for a speaking engagement and swearing in the officers. This Sunday is Father's Day.

F. Financial Report

Motion to approve financial report was made Robert Weber and seconded by Dee VanGavree. Motion carried.

G. Tax Collector's Report

Motion to approve financial report was made Kelly Williamson and seconded by Robert Weber. Motion carried.

H. Tax Exemption and Exoneration Report (none)

I. Parks & Recreation Board

Council Member Williamson stated on Memorial Day the Board did cards for the troops and received 37 cards that will be sent overseas. Chicks Golf outing was a huge success and they raised over \$21,500. They donated \$6,000 to the Summer Recreation Program. Thank you, Lonnie. Personalized Park bench program will be announced in the newsletter. Council Member VanGavree stated she saw the brick they donated and said all the bricks look great in the park. She said it was a great idea.

J. Emergency Management Oversight Committee

Council Member VanGavree stated they had a two-hour meeting and were able to get a great deal accomplished. They reviewed their budget, and she thanked Manger Eberly for providing information on their financials. She said they wrapped up the Red, White, and Blue contest and thanked Borough staff for the support. The committee made the decision to invest in CPR equipment for Co-Deputy Chris Weaver. Chris is a certified Red Cross instructor, and he has agreed to hold certification classes throughout the year. EMC Martindale is working on an emergency event plan for the Criterium Bike Race. Two training courses they will be attending: 1) mitigation/assessment reporting and 2) Norfolk Southern Railroad train exercise. On November 6th Borough Council is asked to attend a train derailment exercise, Next meeting is July 12th.

K. Shade Tree Commission (none)

L. COG Report

Council Member VanGavree is not able to attend and President Foster will try to attend.

M. Communication Committee

Council Member VanGavree stated the committee is very busy. The committee meets next week and is working on the Summer with Sage video promotion. She has been talking with

Visit Harrisburg and Hershey and working on a marketing plan.

12. Condition Use 2023-01: 268 W Main Street

A. Solicitor Miller stated the Conditional Use was the subject of a hearing on May 18th. He stated Borough Council would make a motion to either Approve or Deny Conditional Use 2023-01. Several items he wanted to get on the record. The standard has already been indicated in the hearing and it is important to note the Conditional Use may be granted under the Zoning Ordinance to permit restaurants, tea rooms, cafes, and including other places serving food including alcoholic beverages if the applicant demonstrates it can control noise, lighting, odor, parking, trash and shall provide hours of operation to minimize the impact on the character of the surrounding neighborhood, vibration, glare, fire hazard, air pollution, water pollution and traffic. He further noted that Justin and Aimee Hoak are attending the meeting and invited them to make a comment prior to the decision. Mr. Hoak stated that at the previous meeting the representation and he demonstrated that they have met all standards and requirements previously stated. In addition, he indicated that all traffic safety concerns including signage should be directed to the Council and not a representation of the ability to do their business. Solicitor Miller asked if anything has changed between the date of hearing and today with respect to your license to operate. Mr. Hoak indicated that nothing has changed. Solicitor Miller asked if they had a valid license to sell food and beverages for consumption or has it been suspended. Mr. Hoak indicated that the license is pending on this approval as they need a certificate of occupancy before they can do their inspection. Solicitor Miller asked if the business has had any inspections from any licensing agencies since the last hearing. Mr. Hoak stated that there have been no inspections at that address. Solicitor Miller clarified that there have been inspections at the tap room but not at the garage. Motion to deny Conditional Use 2023-01 made by Robert Weber and seconded by Chad Lister. Motion Carried.

13. Alexander Park Bid

A. Motion to **Approve** advertising of the bid on June 16, 2023 with a letting date of July 7, 2023 made by Kelly Williamson and seconded by Robert Weber. Motion carried.

14. Talisman 7 Ventures Plan

A. Motion to **Approve** the Establishment of Improvement Guarantee in the amount of \$113,828 for the Talisman 7 plan made by Robert Weber and seconded by Kelly Williamson. Dee VanGavree and Chris Black recused themselves. Motion carried.

15. Planning Commission Appointment

A. Motion to **Appoint** to Rhen Bentzel the Planning Commission to serve the remaining term of Mr. Tom Christofes was made by Chris Black and seconded Robert Weber. Motion carried.

16. Approval of Bills Payable List dated from May 19, 2023 and June 15, 2023

Motion to approve the above bills was made by Kelly Williamson and seconded by Robert Weber. Motion carried.

17. Other Business (none)

18. Executive Session (none)

19. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm