

**June 11, 2024**

A Meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held June 11, 2024. Chairman Ian Mahal opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance:**

The following Council members attended the June 11, 2024 meeting: Mr. Jeff Enders, Mr. Joseph Slovick, Mr. Ian Mahal, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mr. Terry Raffety, Mayor Palmer, Solicitor Evans, Sargent Bowers and Borough Manager Bob Mahalchick.

**Citizens of the Year:** Mr. Mahal read a proclamation honoring Mr. Rivera, Mr. Heffron and Mr. Melochick for their heroism at the fire on Second Street. Members of the town fire companies, the recipients' families and Fire Chief Eichenberg attended the presentation.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Slovick made a motion, second by Mr. Enders to approve the minutes from April 2024. The motion passed as presented.

**Approval of Bills:**

Mr. Kuehn made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Mr. Raffety seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

**Approval of Officers' Reports:**

Mr. Slovick made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn.

**Communications:**

An email letter was received from Mrs. Securda withdrawing from council following the May meeting. Following discussion, Mrs. Securda's resignation was accepted affective today, June 11, 2024. Mr. Kuehn made the motion. Mr. Slovick seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

**New Business:**

The council position vacated by Mrs. Securda needs to be filled within 30 days.

Following discussion, Mr. Enders made a motion to approve the salary of the pool manager to \$4000 and the Assistant Manager to \$3250. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Enders made a motion to cap the salary of the returning guards at five years at 50 cents per year of experience. Mr. Slovick seconded the motion. Mr. Kuehn abstained. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Enders made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to approve the purchase of the playground equipment at \$5,351.50. The Mayor has prepared a list of equipment needed to be purchased with off road funds approved previously.

Mr. Raffety made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to accept the donation of landscaping at the area on the highway entrance to the borough by B&H Landscaping. The motion passed as presented.

The mayor suggested updating the Borough Website. Mr. Mahalchick will look into options.

Mr. Slovick made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to approve the request of Ariel Crawford to hold private swimming lessons at the pool on the condition she has her own insurance or insurance would be provided under our present policy. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Enders made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn to approve the request of the Historical Society for \$5000 from ARPA funds. The motion passed as presented. Mr. Mahal wants the check to be processed this week. Mr. Enders requested the summer workers help with pick up at the Historical Society building.

Parking permits for renters on Sunbury Street was tabled.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Mr. Raffety to approve Grizzly Exteriors, LLC to replace the center of the roof at borough hall in the amount of \$17,000.00. The motion passed as presented.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Kuehn made a motion, second by Mr. Slovick to approve Shane Clark, who has insurance, to cut the trees at the Little League Field/walking path at a cost of \$800. The motion passed as presented.

Removal of the trees on Delaware Avenue was tabled. Mr. Enders asked that ribbons be put on trees to be dropped. The borough can do smaller ones.

The issue of handicapped parking was again discussed. Mr. Mahal instructed the parking committee to make recommendations to the Solicitor. Sargent Bowers stated that if you have a placard you could park at any handicap space. Signs attached to buildings are not issued by the borough and are not legal.

Mr. Mahal informed council an informational meeting would be held at 6pm before the July work session on solar energy.

The Council went into Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary