

May 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held May 10, 2022. Chairman Ian Mahal opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance:

The following Council members attended the May 10, 2022 meeting: Mr. Mike Firestine, Mr. Ian Mahal, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mr. Joseph Slovick, Mr. Terry Raffety, Mrs. Ashley Securda, Solicitor Day, Kyle Crouse, Police Chief Combs, Bob Mahalchick, Borough Manager and Bond Council Paul Datti.

Citizens' Comments:

Solicitor Datti presented an Ordinance for the Borough to guarantee the Water Authority debt to fund a Capital Project in the amount of \$1,067,844.00. Solicitor Datti stated the Authority would not be raising rates to finance the loan. The loan is a twenty-year with a fixed rate of 1%. Mr. Raffety made a motion to approve the ordinance with closing taking place September 8. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented. Mr. Slovick made a motion to assign a corresponding number to the Penn Vest Loan Ordinance. Mr. Raffety seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Firestine made a motion, second by Mr. Raffety to approve the minutes from April 2022. The motion passed as presented.

Approval of Bills:

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

Communications:

Mr. Raffety made a motion, second by Mr. Firestine to approve the Minersville Library's request to hold a doggie swim pool party following the closing of the pool for the season. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Kuehn made a motion to accept the donation of a tree from the Brinich family with proper tree variety and placement, possibly placing the tree at the Rec Complex replacing trees that will be taken down for construction of Dustin's Adventureland. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

New Business:

Mr. Firestine made a motion to accept the bids for paving as follows-

Meckley's Limestone Products	\$82,403.00
H&K Group, Inc	\$80,558.11
Ronnie C. Folk Paving, Inc.	\$70,905.85

Mr. Raffety seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Firestine made a motion to award the bid to Ronne C. Folk Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$70,905.85. Mr. Kuehn seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

The Solicitor and Mayor continue to work on the Off Road Ordinance.

The Borough Citizens of the Year to be honored at the Memorial Day Ceremony are- Matthew Hinderliter, Lee Ruch, Jr. and Officer Timoty Walsh.

Mr. Mahalchick an Ed Houser will get quotes for winterizing the Veteran's Park landscaping.

Mr. Raffety made a motion, second by Mr. Firestine to approve the handicap renewal for 306 Carbon Street on the recommendation of Chief Combs. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Firestine made a motion, second by Mr. Kuehn authorizing Mr. Mahalchick and the Committee to hire and increase the lifeguard and concession workers by \$.50 per hour if necessary to staff the pool. Mr. Mahalchick stated that there was one application for pool manager and the former manager also is interested. Mr. Firestine made a motion, second by Mr. Raffety to offer the former manager the position and other applicant as assistant, deferring to Mr. Mahalchick and committee how hours are being covered at the pool with a maximum of \$7000.00. The motion passed as presented.

Old Business:

Mrs. Securda made a motion, second by Mr. Raffety to approve the Memorial Day weekend FRO event. The motion passed as presented. Police Chief Combs is waiting for Nerdy IT for a quote on borough emails. Mr. Mahal would like a noise ordinance by September. Mr. Crouse reported the property on 610 Sunbury Street conservatorship is progressing.

Council Reports:

Streets-Mr. Firestine reported an overlay for the road at 6th and Leis would be \$5750 for materials and \$2250 for labor. Liquid Fuels dollars cannot be used. Mr. Mahalchick suggested winterizing and turning off the heat at the Senior citizens Center. The street sweeper is expected by the end of the month. The new truck is expected by next week.

Public Property-Mr. Slovick reported the playground at the Rec Complex needs mulch. Mr. Mahalchick will contact Mr. Womer to order the proper mulch for all playgrounds.

Sewer, Water and Sanitation-Mr. Raffety reported the joint project of the Water and Sewer Authorities on Pine Street would be stating soon.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Mrs. Securda asked if the Little League Parade would be rescheduled if there were rain on Saturday. The Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony will begin at 9am.

Mr. Firestine made motion, second by Mr. Slovick to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary

