

## **October 11, 2022**

A meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held October 11, 2022. Vice Chairman Jamie Kuehn opened the meeting with The Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Attendance:**

The following Council members attended the October 11, 2022 meeting: Mr. Mike Firestine, Ms. Katielynn Milbrandt, Mr. Terry Raffety, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mayor Palmer, Solicitor Evans, Kyle Crouse, Police Chief Combs and Borough Manager Bob Mahalchick.

### **Citizens' Comments:**

No citizens wished to comment.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to approve the September minutes. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

### **Approval of Bills:**

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

### **Approval of Officers' Reports:**

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to approve the Officers' Reports. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

### **Communications:**

Boran Dental has once again requested reserved patient parking. Mr. Raffety made a motion to deny the request and suggest they contact the library for parking spaces.

Ms. Milbrandt seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Police chief Combs will have an officer at the Fire Prevention Open House on October 12 from 6 to 8pm.

Police Chief Combs will forward a request to our Fire Police for their presence at the Pine Grove and Tremont Halloween Parades.

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to authorize Mr. Mahalchick to find a qualified individual to do repairs to the concrete at the skate park not to exceed \$500.00. On the question the Solicitor suggested getting the former Skate Park Association to share information on the equipment. Mr. Raffety seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

### **New Business:**

Chief Combs reported the Law Enforcement Grant is ready to go.

Mr. Firestine made a motion to approve a heat pump for the police station from Jason Marks at the cost of \$6500.00 On the question, Chief Combs responded the heat pump can be moved to another location should the police station be demolished. Ms. Milbrandt seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion, second by Mr. Firestine to approve the MMO non-union obligation at \$48,801 and the Police MMO at \$116,348. The motion passed as presented.

Mr. Firestine made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to table the building proposal by the Gulotta Group. On the question, Ms. Milbrandt stated an itemized accounting of money spent and earmarked for COVID monies should be presented. Ms. Milbrandt amended the motion to refer the proposal to committee prior to our next meeting. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

Ms. Milbrandt made a motion to approve the single bid for oil. Mr. Raffety seconded the motion. Mr. Raffety made a motion to award the bid for heating oil to Reedy's at a maximum of \$5.99 a gallon. Mr. Firestine seconded the motion. The motion passed as presented.

**Old Business:**

Mr. Raffety made a motion, second by Ms. Milbrandt to advertise and test for ACT120 certified or eligible police officer candidates. The motion passed as presented.

**Community Updates:**

The Halloween Parade will be held October 22 with formation at 6pm and start at 6:30pm. The rain date is the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Trick or Treat will be held October 31 from 6pm to 8pm. The rain date is November 1<sup>st</sup>. The Haunted House will be held October 23, 29 and 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm.

Mr. Firestine made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Milbrandt seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Capik, Secretary

**Public Meeting**

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An advertised CDBG meeting was held at 6:30pm at the Water Authority meeting chambers on Carbon Street with the purpose of selling properties. The following attended the October 11, 2022 meeting: Faith Rickard, Mr. Mike Firestine, Ms. Katielynn Milbrandt, Mr. Terry Raffety, Mr. Jamie Kuehn, Mayor Palmer, Solicitor Evans, Borough Manager Bob Mahalchick and citizens JD Drasdis and Jeff Enders. A motion was made by Mr. Kuehn, second by Ms. Milbrandt to grant permission to advertise the properties for sale following receipt of information regarding guidelines of the sale by Faith Rickard.

