

APRIL 15, 2020
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
REGULAR MEETING

Council President C. Harold Mumma called the regularly scheduled meeting (telemeeting via the Zoom computer platform) of the Waynesboro Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m. He announced that Council met in Executive Session on April 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Personnel and Real Estate matters.

The following were in attendance: Borough Council Members – Jarred Knott, Patrick Fleagle, Jon Fleagle, Harold Mumma, Dade Royer and Michael Cermak

Mayor Richard Starliper

Junior Councilperson – William Young

Borough Staff – Jason Stains, Borough Manager
Sam Wiser (by phone), Borough Solicitor

ADOPTION OF TELEMEETING RULES OF DECORUM: Borough Solicitor Sam Wiser reviewed the Telemeeting Rules of Decorum. Councilman P. Fleagle made a motion to accept the Telemeeting Rules of Decorum. Councilman J. Fleagle seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

PRESENTATIONS:

Renfrew Grist Mill Feasibility Study – Mrs. Becky LaBarre, Executive Director of Renfrew Museum & Park and Mr. Don Smith, Architect, Bushey Feight Morin Architects, presented the plan for the building of a new Grist Mill on the foundation of the original mill near the Fahnstock House. This is a four-phase project that is anticipated to cost \$2,275,000.00. The goal is to complete the program by 2023. Councilman Cermak made a motion to send written notice to Renfrew Museum and Park to approve all four phases of the grist mill project. Councilman Knott seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Additionally, Councilman Cermak inquired as to the status of the trails and park areas for use by the public during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Becky LaBarre reported that the trails and park are currently closed but will be re-evaluated on a weekly basis. Councilman Cermak made a motion to send a letter to Renfrew Museum and Park requesting that they open the park, trails and fishing areas for the public while practicing Social Distancing. Councilman Cermak seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Finally, the request by Renfrew Museum and Park was removed from the Consent Agenda and acted upon at this time following a motion by Councilman Cermak to

change Renfrew's fiscal year from August 1 – July 31 to calendar year. Councilman P. Fleagle seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Personnel Committee reported concern with revenues and the current economy with the forced closure of many businesses and unemployment increasing. The Borough Manager reported that Real Estate Tax was trending \$100,000 behind the same quarter last year. As a result, Councilman Royer made a motion to authorize employees to volunteer for temporary furloughs, with selection and implementation to be handled by the Borough Manager. If a sufficient number of volunteers are not identified the Borough Manager is directed to report back to Council. Employee health benefits will continue during the temporary furlough. Employees who are furloughed will be subject to recall if a need arises. The Borough employees are a valued resource and the Borough Council wants to do all it can to protect their wellbeing. Councilman Knott seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

The Property Committee reported on discussion for use of the former golf course property. They reported that we have been approached by Innergex to potentially install a solar farm on the entire property. Councilman Cermak made a motion directing the Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor to discuss the needs of the Borough Authority for future expansion, to negotiate an agreement with William Martin to continue farming the property and to negotiate with Innergex for the possibility of the solar farm development. Additionally the Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor should report back to Council at the May meeting. Councilman P. Fleagle seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

CONSENT AGENDA: All agenda items were moved to the consent agenda due to the National State of Emergency as declared by President Donald J. Trump on March 1, 2020 related to the COVID-19 to allow for an expedited meeting. Councilman Knott made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows:

- A. Approve Minutes as Presented – December 18, 2019 and March 25, 2020.
- B. Accept Reports of the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Ambulance Chief, and Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer for the month of March, 2020
- C. Pay Bills – Check Detail(s) dated 03/30, 04/06 and 04/14
- D. Acknowledge and Approve Personnel Matters.
- E. Approve Request from RECON Construction Services, Inc. for Release of Retainage (\$18,262.00) for S. Price Avenue Cold In-Place Recycling Street Construction Project.
- F. Approval of Requested Sixty (60) Day Time Extension for Starbucks Preliminary/Final Subdivision and Land Development Plan Review.
- G. Approval of Requested Sixty (60) Day Time Extension for Mainstreet Waynesboro, Inc. for Plan Review of Proposed Upgrades to the Parking Lots Behind the Downtown Park and Adjoining Properties.
- H. Adoption of Proposed Ordinance (Traffic and Parking Regulations).

- I. Resolution No. 2020-10 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Greencastle to Allow the Borough of Waynesboro's Building Code Board of Appeals to Serve as the Building Code Board of Appeals for the Borough of Greencastle.

Councilman P. Fleagle seconded; the motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS:

Mayor Starliper reported that the police department is conducting increased foot patrols and the police are receiving many thanks from residents throughout the neighborhoods they patrol. Mayor Starliper also encouraged the public to sign up for the CrimeWatch Social Networking Platform to see information released by the police department.

Councilman Cermak reminded the public that our parks and playgrounds are open and that patrons should use good social distancing practices due to the pandemic. He also remarked that patrons should use the play equipment at their own risk due as we do not have the equipment to sanitize the playgrounds after each use.

The Borough Manager informed Council of the Governor's order that will go into effect on Sunday, April 19th at 8:00 PM. The order requires employees in essential businesses to wear masks while working and patrons of these businesses must wear masks also. Patrons not wearing masks can be prohibited from entering these establishments. Additionally, the order provides for handwashing breaks every hour. He further informed Council that he will be providing staff with information related to how this will be handled in Borough facilities. Currently, employees are required to self-check for symptoms by taking their temperature and recording answers to questions every morning before beginning their shift. Due to the shortage of thermometers, this practice has not been implemented at the Water Plant and Waste Water Treatment Plant. Additional thermometers are expected to arrive this weekend and this practice will begin at those facilities on April 20, 2020.

Having no further business to discuss, Councilman P. Fleagle made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Knott seconded; the motion passed unanimously at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason B. Stains
Borough Manager/Treasurer