

MOUNT JOY BOROUGH COUNCIL
May 4, 2015 Minutes

The Mount Joy Borough Council held its regular meeting on May 4, 2015, at the Mount Joy Borough Office.

Council President Glessner called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Bradley gave the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Roll Call- Present were: Councilors Metzler, Mowrer, Reese, Seidel, Youngerman, President Glessner and Mayor Bradley. Also present were Borough Manager, Scott Hershey; Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley; Interim Police Chief, Maurice Williams, Jr.; and Codes and Zoning officer, Stacie Gibbs. Councilor Deering arrived at 6:05. Councilor Bower arrived at 6:50.

Glessner announced that candidates for the vacant West Ward Borough Council seat will be interviewed in a public forum. Mary Ginder was interviewed first, followed by Dale Murray, and Keith Wilkes. Applicants shared about themselves and Council followed up with questions.

Glessner announced that action to appoint one of the candidates would take place following the Public Input Period so that residents and/or property owners would have the opportunity to comment.

Mayoral Proclamation

Mayor Bradley announced a proclamation declaring May 10 through the 16th Police Week in the Borough of Mount Joy, and publicly saluting the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

Report of Mayor

Mayor Bradley presented a Mayoral Citation recognizing officers and office staff for 2014, a year of extraordinary departmental challenge. Officer Kyle Hosking's was presented with an award recognizing him as Officer of the Year for Mount Joy Borough. He was also recognized for Officer of the Year for Lancaster County.

Report of the Chief of Police

A monthly written report was provided for March 15, 2015 through April 14, 2015. The report showed 12 traffic arrests and 22 criminal arrests for the month. There were 66 UCR reportable incidents and 359 CAD incidents for the month, with a total of 1028 incidents year to date. Monies collected by the Police Department for the month for tickets, permits, reports, and services totaled \$2,092.56. Bower asked if the overtime budget will go down. Chief Williams said we may not see as dramatic a drop as expected.

Report of Fire Department Mount Joy (FDMJ)

William Hall, Fire Chief, Fire Department Mount Joy, provided and reviewed the monthly report provided for April 2015.

Report of Main Street Mount Joy (MSMJ)

Kim Brewer, MSMJ manager, provided and reviewed the monthly written report provided for April 2015.

Report of the Milanof-Schock Library

Debra Rosser-Hogben, Executive Director of Milanof-Schock Library, provided the monthly newsletter for May 2015.

Bower asked whether the polling place for the West Ward was definitely at the Library. Gibbs said yes.

Report of Codes and Zoning Officer

Gibbs provided and reviewed the monthly written report for April 2015. Gibbs reported that the Permit Manager software is up and running and training continues. The June 2015 packets will have updated permits. The June 2015 packets will have the permit report generated from the new software.

Gibbs asked what the next action should be for 29 New Haven St. Reese asked what would be the normal process for this type of situation. Gibbs stated that a letter would be sent, if the property owner did not comply he/she would be in violation.

On a **MOTION** by Seidel, and a second by Deering approval was given to proceed with an enforcement letter to owner of 29 New Haven Street. Gibbs suggested the motion be amended to include authorizing the Borough Solicitor to file a draft order with the Court of Common Pleas for the owner to vacate should the owner not respond to Gibbs' enforcement letter within five days. Seidel agreed to the amendment and Deering seconded.

On a **MOTION** by Seidel, and a second by Deering approval was given to table the motion until after public input. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Reese asked why the date 1940 was chosen for the date of a Historic Resource Property. Bower stated that in working with Historic York and other entities that date was suggested because there weren't enough resources to go beyond 1940. He thought this date was well received by the public. Gibbs stated that one homeowner asked to be taken off the list, while another had asked to be put on. The list has not yet been approved. Deering asked if it would be easier to be put on the list or to be taken off, once the ordinance is approved. Bower stated neither and that the ordinance would have to be changed to be removed or put on.

Report of Stormwater Officer

Ken Barto, Stormwater Enforcement Officer, provided a written monthly report for April 2015.

Report of the Borough Authority Manager

Authority Manager, John Leaman provided a monthly written report for April 2015.

Report of the Borough Manager

Hershey provided and reviewed the monthly written report for April 2015.

Deering asked when the signalization project will be complete. Metzler stated that it was impermissible that the job has not been completed and he will try to get additional information on Wednesday.

Metzler shared concerns regarding the length of time spent by the Council on discussing matters prior to the Public Input Period. Glessner said that he would see what we could. Glessner closed report period and opened the public input period.

Public Input Period

Bill Hall, 209 Marietta Ave, stated that his home is on the historic property ordinance. He stated that he is in favor of it and that these buildings make Mount Joy what it is. He stated that it is absolutely the right thing.

Ken Taylor, 230 Blossom Trail, stated that 2 of the applicants for the West Ward position have already served on Council. He spoke of Keith Wilkes stating that he would have a new perspective. Ken stated that Keith was a successful business owner; he hasn't participated on Council and would be beneficial to Council.

Bruce Haigh, 504 Rose Petal Ln, stated that he had recommended the Borough request two copies of existing reports and a copy of future reports and asked if we have had success. Hershey replied that there is an item on agenda under Public Works for Council to discuss and direct staff as to how deeply staff should be involved in the project. Hershey stated that as information comes in, it is being forwarded to ARRO, the Borough's consultant.—Hershey asked consultant to advise the Borough if there is anything that should be of concern. He stated that under Public Works there will be a discussion of that particular project.

Haigh asked Gibbs if Council decides to proceed with actions towards 29 New Haven St., does she have authority to go in to the home and inspect to determine any other health or life threatening issues. Gibbs stated that she can do that.

Joanne Pinkerton, Mount Joy Rotary, Kids Joy Land Committee, 6 Pine St, gave written report to Council with an update on the Kids Joy Land. She stated that they have a construction permit and a 501c3 sponsor with Lancaster County Community Foundation. Pinkerton stated that the Campaign Kick-off on April 9 was successful. There was a goal of \$110,000 and so far \$100,000 has been raised. She stated that they are working on recruitment of volunteers including 156 people per shift with a total of 17 shifts. The construction date is set for September 22-September 27, 2015.

Items of Business

Glessner announced that Council would now consider taking action to fill the vacant Borough West Ward Council seat.

Metzler stated that there needs to be a motion for each candidate.

A **MOTION** was made by Seidel and a seconded by Deering to appoint Keith Wilkes as the next Borough Council Member. Mowrer, Bower, Youngerman, Glessner, Metzler, and Reese voted no. Seidel and Deering voted yes. *Motion does not carry.*

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Youngerman, Dale Murray was appointed to fill the vacant West Ward seat on Borough Council. Mowrer, Bower, Youngerman, Glessner, and Deering vote yes. Seidel, Metzler and Deering vote no. *Motion carries.*

Glessner reopened the tabled motion regarding 29 New Haven Street. Bower requested for Council to be emailed as things progress. Glessner and called for the vote. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On a **MOTION** by Bower, and a second by Reese, approval was given for the minutes from the Regular Borough Council Meeting held on March 2, 2015. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Administration and Finance Committee

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Bower, approval was given to award the Borough website rebuild project to Schell's Web Design.

Mayor Bradley asked if the website would be smartphone friendly. Dave Schell stated that it would be smartphone friendly.

Deering stated that using the PSAB would give the Borough an opportunity to save \$2,500.

Bower stated that he was excited about the online bill pay and he has heard good reviews on Dave Schell.

Metzler said using someone local will allow the website to be molded to Mount Joy specifically and there is value to keeping the business in town. *Motion carries, Deering voting no.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Bower approval was given for Amendment No. 3 to the Non-Uniformed Plan in the form presented, to authorize the Borough Council President to sign the amendment and authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare and advertise and ordinance to amend the Non- Uniformed Employee Pension Ordinance to incorporate the amendment.

Seidel stated that this contradicts what has been talked about regarding increased healthcare cost this year and being fiscally responsible. Glessner responded that this matter should have been taken care of a long time ago and that is has been earned and deserved. *Motion carries, Seidel voting no.*

Report of the Public Safety Committee

On a **MOTION** by Metzler, and a second by Deering, approval was given to purchase iRecord Anywhere Surface Bundle for a cost not to exceed \$2,995.00. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Metzler, and a second by Deering, approval was given for the purchase of Evidence Lockers from Storage Systems USA for a cost not to exceed \$4,800.00. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Report of the Public Works Committee

Nissley reviewed the monthly written report for April 2015. He stated that the Union School Rd/Crossroads Church stormwater project is scheduled to begin the week of May 11, 2015 and end June 15, 2105. He stated that Representative Hickernell is working to keep the pedestrian project on Marietta Avenue alive. Nissley also stated that PennDOT has requested that the Borough be the bidding agent similar to Phase 1 for the Rail Enhancement Project.

Hershey provided a written report on Manufactured Gas Plant Environmental Remediation Project located at 225 West Main Street.

Haigh spoke with concerns about the oversight of the project. He is concerned about chemical exposure and groundwater contamination. He stated that ARRO needs to look at reports provide a response relative to the Act 2 process. Haigh also stated that DEP should be willing to give current and future reports.

There was discussion about the previously suggested ordinance to prohibit future potable water wells within the Borough. Hershey stated he did not get the sense that they PPL/UGI were pushing the Borough to pass the ordinance, but it was more of a recommendation.

Reese stated that he can't imagine DEP would let PPL/UGI do whatever they want. Gibbs stated that they UGI/PPL provided were shown a PowerPoint presentation at a recent Public Works Committee meeting that provided examples of how these types of projects are completed. Reese also stated that DEP sets standards that need to be followed. Seidel suggested that the Borough let PPL/UGI know that an ordinance to prohibit potable wells would not be considered at this time.

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Bower approval was given to abstain from further engagement with ARRO Consulting concerning the MGP Environmental Remediation Project. *Motion carries, Seidel voting no.*

Any other matter proper to come before Council

Bower stated that during the Public Works Committee Meeting it was suggested to purchase a ceiling mounted projector to use at meetings to display agenda and any other items on the wall. He suggested we get pricing for this for next year's capital budget.

Glessner commented that Bower was looking ahead into the budget and suggested others do as well.

Authorization to Pay Bills

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Bower, the Council unanimously approves paying the bills as presented:

GENERAL FUND	\$	200,220.32
REFUSE/RECYCLING	\$	38,955.95
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$	-
HIGHWAY AID FUND	\$	16,215.00
TAX ACCOUNT	\$	219,811.74
ESCROW FUND	\$	1,394.75
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	476,597.76

Motion carries unanimously.

Meetings and dates of importance

See the lime green calendar for the month of May 2015.

Council went into executive session at 9:50 pm. Executive session ended at 10:10 pm.

On a **MOTION** by Reese and second by Metzler, Council approved increasing the Public Works Director's salary from 49,966.00 to \$50,000.00 per year effective immediately. *Motion carried unanimously*

Adjournment

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman and second by Seidel, Council approved adjourning the meeting at 10:10 PM. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott Hershey
Borough Manager/Secretary

