

Regular Council Meeting
April 10, 2017
7:00 PM

The Regular monthly meeting of Shamokin City Council was held this evening with Mayor William Milbrand presiding.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: All

PRAYER: Silent

ROLL CALL: Moyer, Verano, McGaw, Brown, Milbrand,

Update Report from Mark Schuster from Turnkey Taxes Regarding BPT was given.

BIDS: None

MINUTES:

A Motion by Verano to approve previous Council Meeting Minutes of
March 13, 2017 (Regular Council Meeting)

Second by: Moyer

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Brown, Milbrand, McGaw

BILL LIST:

MOTION BY: Verano to approve the bill list for March 2016.

Second by: Brown

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Brown, McGaw, Milbrand

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Joseph Leschinskie – 518 E. Pine Street, Shamokin – Mr. Schuster made some very good points about the BPT delinquent taxes. In April 2015, we had a meeting about hiring of Labor Attorneys for our Labor Contracts. So far, in 2016 we have spent \$29,000.00 on Police and Non Uniform contracts. If this money was spent in previous years, we might not in the same situations we are in. We talk about saving money and we have spent \$36,000 on Labor attorneys. In addition, are we going to spend about \$30,000 more on this? City Hall Council stated that they are trying to prevent what happened in the past to protect us in the future. Mr. Leschinskie asked what is the name of the business on Rock and Spurzheim Street? City Council is not aware of the name of this business. Mr. Leschinskie stated that this is junkyard and we have an ordinance that does not allow junk yards in the city.

Tim Vincent – General Community Service - Asked if his General Community Service program will have the same corporation as it has in the past. Mr. Slaby told Tim to just give us a call when something is needed and we will gladly help.

Lori Alderson - Sunbury Street, Shamokin - CERT is having a Community day and they are worried about the Peddlers Permit Fees. City Council will look into this for their event.

Sharon Tloczynski - 519 s 8th Street – Shamokin - The Barrels on 8th street. The Owner of the house is back. The barrels were inspected twice a year from Waster Management, the coder officer stated. DEP was also up there to inspect them. Sharon says the barrels are black and she is worried about insects carrying disease. The Code Officer and the Chief of Police will go up there this week and take a look at them.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

ACCOUNTS & FINANCE:

General Fund \$ 536,995.26
Motor License \$ 219,462.69
Library \$ 9,889.29
Debt Service \$ 110,311.49
Recreation \$ 155,664.07
FEMA \$ 6,962.85
Capital Projects \$ 2,377.53
Street Lights \$ 5,532.64
Total All Accounts \$ 1,047,195.82

Fund balances as of April 1, 2017 submitted by Brenda Scandle, City Treasurer.

PARKS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

There is a new roof at Claude Kehler Park. A Lighting upgrade is being done at the Legion by SYBL at no cost to the city. The Library bus top roofs are being repaired, & We are upgrading the Pool bathrooms to AGA Compliance

STREET & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS:

Mr. Verano wants to thank the Police, Fire, Public works and all citizens for being patient with the winter storm Stella. He thanked Mr. VanDoren who owns the lot by the Coal Hole for allowing the city to place the snow there. Mr. Vareno read a letter from Jennifer Seidel thanking the street department for wonderful job they did on Bunker Hill during the snowstorm. The water line on market should be paved soon and Shamokin Street should begin shortly.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department reported 971 calls for the month of March 2017.

Fire Department had 136 calls for the month of March. All apparatus in working condition.

Councilman Brown read the Code office report for the month of March, which the office revenue collected, was \$14,194.88 with total calls of 34.

CORRESPONDENCE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Coal Township VFW

MOTION BY: Brown to grant authorization for the Coal Township VFW to hold their annual Poppy Sale on May 13th from 7:30AM – 12PM on the corner of 8th and Independence Street.

SECOND BY: McGaw

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Milbrand, Brown, McGaw
Nays: None
Absent: None

God's Chuck Wagon

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization for God's Chuck Wagon the use of Claude Kehler Park on June 17th for a Health Fair from 10AM-2PM

SECOND BY: Brown

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Milbrand, Brown, McGaw
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Flower Tent

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization for the Flower Tent to place their Tent on the 3rd Street Lot from April 1- Mid June 2017.

SECOND BY: Moyer

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Brown, McGaw, Milbrand
Nays: None
Absent: None

Concert Series in the Park

MOTION BY: Moyer to donate \$2350 Maximum for the (6) Concert series in the Park from the City's Recreation Account to cover the entertainment.

SECOND BY: McGaw

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Brown, McGaw, Milbrand
Nays: None
Absent: None

BOARD & COMMITTEES

MOTION BY: Verano to reappoint Suzanne Kopitsky to the City of Shamokin Housing Authority for a Term of 5 years Jan 5, 2017-Jan 5, 2022.

SECOND BY: Brown

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Verano, Moyer, Brown, McGaw, Milbrand
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion to Change Parking meter Time was withdrawn until look over the Ordinance.

SOLICITORS REPORT:

Executive Session was held from 8:02-8:21

- **Citizens Comments contingent upon new business being added to the agenda at this part of the meeting.**

ADJORN:

Minutes taken by Doreen Annis, Administrative Accountant
Meeting ended at 8:22 PM