

Regular Council Meeting
December 12, 2016
7:00 PM

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

Executive Session was held from 6:00-7:00PM for Personnel and Contract matters.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: All

PRAYER: Silent

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

BIDS:

A Motion by Verano to accept the bid of 603-607 W. Mulberry Street from Kevin and Daniel Richardson in the amount of \$4300, Contingent upon court approval.

Second By: Moyer

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

A Motion by Brown to accept the bid for 524 N 2nd Street from Victoria Calabretta in the amount of \$7777.77, Contingent upon court approval.

Second By: McGaw

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

MINUTES:

A Motion by Verano to approve previous Council Meeting Minutes of

November 14, 2016 (Regular Council Meeting)

November 30, 2016 (Special Council Meeting)

Second by: Brown

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

Executive Session was held for Personnel and Contractual matters on December 7, 2016 at the City's Workshop for 7:50-8:50, upon returning to the workshop, the meeting was adjourned with no further discussion.

BILL LIST:

MOTION BY: Moyer to approve the bill list for November 2016.

Second by: Verano

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Joseph Leschinkie – 518 E. Pine Street - Hazelton got three million in grants in the last couple of months. Joseph was wondering if this is something the City of Shamokin could look into. The Mayor stated that we have reached out to DCED and we are not eligible for certain grants because of a prior grant that was mismanaged. The Mayor stated that he will reach out to the Mayor of Hazelton, he is friends with him. Joseph stated that we have not had any job growth in our area in a long time.

Angelo Baccarina – 626 West Pin Street - He has a restricted parking question. The Property line is on his property it's over seven feet over on his property line. The Chief recommends to speak to Kevin Richardson. Kevin measures them out so there are so many spots. The parking committee will go to look at this restricted sign placement tomorrow.

Gary Alderson – 25 N Marshall Street – Gary has a parking issue in front of his house. The City Administrator was up there along with Kevin Richardson and took a look at this . Gary said he has no say were his lines are posted. It was recommended that the parking committee take a look at this tomorrow as well.

Thomas Alderson – Thanks council for allowing him to speak. He is asking council's permission to plant a tree in honor of Gabi Gervasi, who recently committed suicide. The Mayor said that on Market Street there have been trees and benches placed in honor of loved ones before. All of council was ok with this request. Mr. McGaw will talk to Thomas after the meeting.

Tim Vincent – General Community Service – Community service is now shutting down for the cold season. They recently started at Darlene's and walked down to water street picking up trash. Mr. Vincent stated that most of the trash is coming from Penn Jersey. Chief Tobias stated that he will go down and talk to the owner of Penn Jersey. Mr. Vincent said that they can benefit by placing a trash can there. Mr. Vincent said they had 350 man hours saving the City \$4200.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

ACCOUNTS & FINANCE:

General Fund \$ 380,557.09
Motor License \$ 82,445.54
Library \$ 17,921.29
Debt Service \$ 223,180.66
Recreation \$ 124,740.95
FEMA \$ 6,959.97
Capital Projects \$ 2,377.13
Street Lights \$2,652.25
Total All Accounts \$ 840,834.88

Fund balances as of December 1, 2016 submitted by Brenda Scandle, City Treasurer.

PARKS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

The Christmas tree is up and it is beautiful. Mr. McGaw plans on having some dances at Claude Kehler Park in the warmer months.

STREET & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS:

Mr. Verano would like to thank the Public works department for helping with the Christmas Tree.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Department reported 915 calls for the month of November.

Fire Department had 133 calls for the month of November. All apparatus in working condition.

Mr. Brown would like to thank Chief Klembara

No Code report for month.

CORRESPONDENCE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Meeting Notice for 2017

MOTION BY: Verano granting authorization to advertise the 2017 Public meeting Schedule.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

2017 TRAN

MOTION BY: Brown granting authorization to the City Administrator to secure a \$300,000 TRAN for 2017.

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

Public Works Department

MOTION BY: Verano approving the hiring of Gary Timco to fill a vacant labor position within the city's public works department Mr. Timco's starting hourly wage will be \$12.00

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

Strategic Planner

MOTION BY: Verano approving the hire Nancy J. Hess Associates to prepare a Strategic Plan for the City of Shamokin. The Strategic Plan will be purchased through a Grant provided to the City by DCED under the ACT47.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

GPS Proposal

This request was tabled.

BOARD & COMMITTEES

Shamokin Landlord Tenant Appeals Board

MOTION BY: Verano to appoint Mike McLaughlin and Joseph Leschinskie to the City of Shamokin Landlord Tenant Appeals Board. The said appointment shall run in concurrence with said elected period of Mayor, Councilperson designate of Public Works and Public Safety.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

Shamokin Landlord Tenant Appeals Board

MOTION BY: Brown to appoint Jeff Fromm to the City of Shamokin Landlord Tenant Appeals Board. The said appointment shall run in concurrence with said elected period of Mayor, Councilperson designate of Public Works and Public Safety.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

SOLICITORS REPORT:

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the second reading of Ordinance 16-05

SECOND BY: Brown

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

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the First reading of Ordinance 16-06

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

MOTION BY: Brown to accept the First reading of Ordinance 16-07

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the First reading of Ordinance 16-08, and rescind Ordinance 15-05

SECOND BY: Brown

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

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the First reading of Ordinance 16-09

SECOND BY: Brown

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

MOTION BY: Brown to accept Resolution 16-12

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

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

Joseph Leschinksie – Has questions on the GPS. They city is only one square mile. Chief Tobias was not included in the meeting. The Mayor stated that the GPS will show vehicle maintenance, the GPS will send a text message when maintenance is needed on each vehicle. We currently have 32 vehicles in that city, the GPS will save the city money in the long run. This is for the safety of the workers. The GPS was tabled until a later date when more information is received.

ADJORN:

Minutes taken by Doreen Annis, Administrative Accountant
Meeting ended at 8:16 PM