

Regular Council Meeting  
May 8, 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,

**BIDS:**

**MINUTES:**

A Motion by Moyer to approve previous Council Meeting Minutes of  
April 10, 2017 (Regular Council Meeting)

Second by: Brown

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

**BILL LIST:**

MOTION BY: Verano to approve the bill list for April 2017.

Second by: Moyer

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

## **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Michael Robinson – 138 E. Lincoln Street – He is having a pig roast and all are invited.

Lori Alderson – April 29<sup>th</sup> Crime watch & CERT helped cleaned the playground and Thanks Mr. McGaw

Joseph Leschinskie - Joseph asked the about the lawsuit that was filed by Mr. Milbrand, The City Administrator stated that ewe have not received anything from any lawyers regarding the lawsuit. Joseph asked would the city be covering the suit and what is the city's deductible. The City Administrator stated that in a prior civil suit the we had a \$5000 deductible.

Isaac Wasie - He is having an event at Claude Kehler Park on June 10, He has started booking bands and would like the Street to be closed on West Arch from 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

John Kiersnowski - John is looking for an update on the Shroyer Building. His daughter lives up there. Council stated we are working with some government officials and SEDA COG to get some grants to get this building tore down. There are many stipulations and hoops we have to jump though. John askes who is liable if this building falls down. The County is just a trustee, they hold the deed as a hold, but they are the not the wonderof record. Mr. McGaw stated that we are in the process of this plan with the Housing Authority. We are trying to get them involved within the next two weeks. We are hoping to collaborate with another group and get structural engineers here soon.

Tim Vincent – There is a pothole by KC Decals that is so bad he had to buy two new tires. Mr. Verano stated that they need to call the water company. Tim stated that they are closing streets over there and if there is an emergency it will be hard to get though.

## **DIRECTORS REPORT:**

### **ACCOUNTS & FINANCE:**

General Fund \$ 667,117.43  
Motor License \$ 202,987.77  
Library \$ 11,596.85  
Debt Service \$ 188,970.68  
Recreation \$ 182,026.21  
FEMA \$ 6,963.18  
Capital Projects \$ 2,377.63  
Street Lights \$12,606.10  
Total All Accounts \$ 1,274,645.85

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

**PARKS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS:** Clean ups are going on in the City Playgrounds. Claude Kheler Park is all done; we need to put a sign up over there that says park is closed after dark. Mr. McGaw is planning a deadlock car cruise for some time in Mid-July.

**STREET & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS:** Any resident that is having issues with the Water company project needs to contact Aqua PA. PennDot will be coming though from June – November to work on Market Street up to Bear Valley Ave.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police Department reported 1127 calls for the month of April 2017.

Fire Department had 139 calls for the month of April. All apparatus in working condition.

Councilman Brown read the Code office report for the month of April, which the office revenue collected was \$7,298.00 with total calls of 41.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Donation from the AAOA of \$500.00

Letter from One Williams Center (Grant Money for improvements to the Pool Bathrooms \$10,000)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mountainside Assembly of God**

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization for Mountainside Assembly of God the use of Claude Kejler Park on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

**Witmer Memorial**

MOTION BY: Moyer to move the Witmer Memorial from Independence Street to Lincoln Street.

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

### **Police Car**

MOTION BY: McGaw to place Police Car #6 out of service and authorize the City Administrator to advertise to accept bids.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

### **Concert Series in the Park**

MOTION BY: Moyer to grant authorization for the Concert series in the Park to hold an end of season concert on September 17<sup>th</sup> at Claude Kehler Park.

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

### **Housing Authority of Northumberland County**

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization for the City Administrator to send a letter of support to Northumberland County Housing Authority Supporting their pursuit of grant monies o deal with blighted property in Northumberland County.

SECOND BY: Brown

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

### **Shamokin Housing Authority**

MOTION BY: McGaw to grant authorization for the City Administrator to send a letter to the Shamokin Housing Authority Board asking them to please reconsider the vote taken at an earlier meeting which prohibited the board from any future involvement in the Shroyer building.

SECOND BY: Verano

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

## **BOARD & COMMITTEES**

MOTION BY: Brown to reappoint Pamala Rhoades to the Shamokin Coal Township Library Board

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

## **SOLICITORS REPORT:**

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the reading of Resolution 17-04

SECOND BY: Brown

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

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the First Reading of Ordinance 17-01

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

- **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 7:59 PM