

Regular Council Meeting  
March 12, 2018  
7:00 PM

The Regular monthly meeting of Shamokin City Council was held this evening with Mayor John J. Brown presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** All

**PRAYER:** Silent

**ROLL CALL:** Moyer, McGaw, Verano, Roughton, Brown  
Absent: None

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

**Jerry Splane – 79 E. Sunbury Street** - Jerry stated he filled a written request from the City Hall last year and no one responded. City Hall has never seen this request. Jerry said that the 3<sup>rd</sup> class city code state that he has the right to look at the city books. Mr. Slaby will make a call to the office of open records to see what is allowed under them. Jerry stated there is dumpsters on the sidewalks and that is not allowed. On Sunday, there were four cars on the sidewalk and vehicles parked on the sidewalks. Chief Tobias is working on this issue and cars were cited.

**William Milbrand – 1015 N. Liberty Street** - Mr. Milbrand read a letter of intent for any vacant seat on the RDA Board. Mr. Milbrand asked us to consider moving all our tax collections to Keystone as it is a one stop shop and easier for businesses to use. We would see a big difference if we moved.

**Sharon Tloczynski - 519 s 8<sup>th</sup> Street** – Are we ever going to clean up this town? Are we going to clean up 7<sup>th</sup> street? Mr. Roughton stated we are looking at possibly using a Keystone Grant to demo these building. Sharon said that we are having a lot of good people move out of this town; The drugs are so bad in this town.

**MINUTES:**

A Motion by McGaw to approve previous Council Meeting Minutes of:

February 5, 2018 (Special Council Meeting)

Second by: Verano

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Moyer, McGaw, Verano, Roughton, Brown  
Absent: None

A Motion by Moyer to approve previous Council Meeting Minutes of:

February 12, 2018 (Regular Council Meeting)

Second by: Verano

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Moyer, McGaw, Verano, Roughton, Brown  
Absent: None

**BILL LIST:**

MOTION BY: Verano to approve the bill list for February 2018.

Second by: Moyer

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Moyer, McGaw, Verano, Roughton, Brown  
Absent: None

**DIRECTORS REPORT:**

**ACCOUNTS & FINANCE:**

General Fund \$ 76,145.78  
Motor License \$ 60,794.27  
Library \$ 3,390.59  
Debt Service \$ 2,378.62  
Recreation \$ 112,821.37  
FEMA \$ 6,153.69  
Capital Projects \$ 2,378.62  
Street Lights \$ 1,196.95  
Total All Accounts \$ 430,502.57

Fund balances as of March 1, 2018 submitted by Brenda Scandle, City Treasurer.

**PARKS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS:**

Concert Series in the Park is scheduled for this summer. Someone kicked in the door at Claude Kehler Park for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in three weeks. We received a donation of \$2500 from SYBL. There was a Grant put in for park benches at Claude Kehler Park. March 24<sup>th</sup> there will be an Easter Egg Hunt at Claude Kehler Park II for ages 10 and under, call city hall to preregister.

**STREET & PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police Department reported 894 calls for the month of February 2018.

Fire Report for Month of February 2018, 131 Fire Calls.

Code office report for the month of February reported 28 Complaints, which the office revenue collected, was \$28,376.47.

**BIDS:**

A Motion by Roughton to accept the bid from Ferdinand Diminick Demolition for the Demolition of 101-103 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Street as the lowest qualified bidder of \$20,000.00

Second by: Verano

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Univest ACT 205 & Actuarial Valuation Report were filled with the State Auditors.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Jason Soucy – CFO Shamokin Carbons**

MOTION BY: McGaw to grant authorization for Shamokin Carbons to add to an existing park on Market Street.

SECOND BY: Verano

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

**Flower Tent**

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization for the 2018 Flower Tent to be placed on the City's 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Lot, for the sale of flowers.

SECOND BY: Roughton

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

**Shamokin Area Band and Orchestra Boosters**

MOTION BY: Roughton to grant Permission to the Shamokin Area Band and Orchestra Booster the use of Claude Kehler Park on June 30, with Music in the Park Concert Series.

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

### **West End Fire Company**

MOTION BY: Roughton to grant authorization to the West End Fire Company to hold their annual Block Park on June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>.

SECOND BY: Verano

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

### **Street Sweep Schedule**

MOTION BY: Verano to grant authorization to the City Administrator to advertise the 2018 Street Sweeper Schedule.

SECOND BY: Roughton

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

### **CBC- Bell Project**

MOTION BY: Roughton to grant authorization for the Citizens for a Better Community to place the former Eagle Silk Mill Bell on Lincoln Street.

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

### **SUN P.E.T.S. Organization**

MOTION BY: Moyer to grant authroiztion for the City Administator to enter into an agreement with SUN P.E.T.S Organization for a spay and neuter clinic with a startup funding of \$1500.00 in an attempt to help control the cat population.

SECOND BY: Verano

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

**BOARD & COMMITTEES:**

**SOLICITORS REPORT:**

MOTION BY: Roughton to accept the second reading of Ordinance 18-01 (Claude Kehler Park)

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

MOTION BY: Verano to accept the first reading of Ordinance 18-02 (Capping of Laterals)

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

MOTION BY: Roughton to accept the first reading of Ordinance 18-03 (Snow Plow Permit)

SECOND BY: McGaw

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

MOTION BY: Roughton to accept the reading of Resolution 18-03 (Cooperation re: Shoryer Building)

SECOND BY: Moyer

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

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

**William Milbrand** - Mr. Milbrand thinks we should vote to relocate the Eagle Silk Mill Bell, he is concerned about the placement of the bell on Lincoln Street. He thinks it will be vandalized. Council stated that there will be a fence around the bell. Mr. Milbrand thinks that will not stop people from throwing things at it. His opinion is maybe placing the bell on mill square and it can be functional on the op of mill square. It will be safe up there. He would lead the charge for fundraising to place the bell on Mill Square.

**Jerry Splane** - Agrees with Mr. Milbrand on the placement of the bell.

**Tim Vincent** - Asked about the agreement with SUN P.E.T.S. Do we have an ordinance about feeding cats? Council stated that we never passed this ordinance.

**ADJORN:**

Minutes taken by Doreen Annis, Administrative Accountant  
Meeting ended at 8:00 PM