

MOUNT JOY BOROUGH COUNCIL
August 7, 2017 Minutes

The Mount Joy Borough Council held its regular meeting on August 7, 2017, at the Mount Joy Borough Office.

President Glessner called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

President Glessner announced that an executive session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Roll Call - Present were Councilors Joshua Deering, Mary Ginder, William Hall, Jon Millar, Michael Reese, Jake Smeltz, Brian Youngerman, President Charles Glessner and Mayor Timothy Bradley. Councilor Hans Seidel arrived at 7:32 PM. Also present were Borough Manager, Samuel Sulkosky; Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley; Stormwater Officer, Dave Salley; Police Chief, Maurice Williams; Zoning and Codes Officer, Stacie Gibbs and Administrative Assistant, Andrea Zell.

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

President Glessner announced that executive sessions were held on July 19, 2017, and July 24, 2017, to discuss labor issues. No decisions made.

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Youngerman, approval was given to accept the agenda for the August 7, 2017, Borough Council meeting.

Motion carries unanimously.

Mayoral Proclamation

Mayor Bradley recognized Joanna Harlacher for winning 1st place in the National History Day Contest for Senior Individual Website on her project entitled "Beyond the Cardigan".

Harlacher said the theme for this year was "Taking a Stand in History". She chose to do her project on Fred Rogers and talked about what he did through children's television to make sure that universal love was a message throughout many decades.

Mayor Bradley thanked Elizabeth Lewis, present at the meeting, for volunteering her time and investing in our community through the students at Donegal High School.

Public Input Period

Ryan Youngerman, 663 Florin Avenue and Timmy McKelvey, 47 West Donegal Street, presented an idea for Mount Joy to have a family fun center with laser tag, bumper cars and go carts, located at the Gerberich Payne Shoe Factory building. Youngerman thanked the young boys for bringing their idea before Council and stated that a family fun center would be a wonderful idea for the economic development in Mount Joy.

Ned Sterling, 13 West Main Street, asked for an update on the Turkey Hill appeal. President Glessner said there is no update at this time.

Dale Murray, 120 Farmington Way, said that at the last Council meeting, 48 minutes were spent discussing Main Street Mount Joy (MSMJ) and this is not an isolated incident. He reminded Council that at the last meeting he also complained about the micromanagement of MSMJ. Murray requested that Council create a policy that allows a Council member to ask any question of the entities that they support, but that a motion should be passed for a request outside of what the entity already provides to Council.

Nancy Hopple, 580 Church Street, said she sent two letters to Council regarding the issues with her shed placement and reseeding of grass in the easement. Hopple said she feels wronged by the Borough. She is not pleased with the job that was done by the Public Works Department on reseeding, weed control, and lack of watering which has resulted in poor grass growth. Hopple provided pictures to show Council and requested for someone to come and look at it again.

Clare Funk, 576 Church Street, stated that she is Hopple's neighbor and she came to support her. She reiterated Hopple's comments. Hall said he looked at the area and he was not pleased with the way it looked. He stated that reseeded areas take a while to grow in properly and it has been a difficult year for grass to grow. Sulkosky said that he and Nissley went out last week to view the property and he said that the Borough will revisit this in the fall once we are through the dry season of summer.

Don Longsderff, 307 West Donegal Street, said the Pit Stop Hobbies PA system is incredibly too loud and at times they do not finish until 11:30 PM. He said he called Pit Stop Hobbies and spoke to a gentleman regarding the volume of the PA system but nothing has been done about the volume. Longsderff said he can hear it clearly in his living room. Mayor Bradley asked if Longsderff contacted the Police Department. Longsderff said yes. Mayor Bradley stated that there is an acceptable decibel level set by Ordinance in the Borough and we could have a Police Officer check to see if they are within that decibel range. Youngerman asked if the cars are loud. Longsderff said no, it is the PA system that is the disturbance.

Presentation of the Pollutant Reduction Plan

A presentation was made by Nate Markel and Mike Knouse of ARRO Consulting Inc., on the Pollutant Reduction Plan for Mount Joy Borough. Public comments were received by Gregory Gurican, 603 Arbor Rose Avenue, Bruce Haigh, 504 Rose Petal Lane, Andy Sherwood, 708 Arbor Rose Avenue, Brian Youngerman, 663 Florin Avenue and Mayor Bradley, 315 East Main Street. Their comments were recorded to be added to the public comment section of the Pollutant Reduction Plan.

Report of Mayor

Mayor Bradley provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017. Bradley discussed the county wide initiative entitled, "Joining Forces" and their efforts to address the opioid epidemic.

Report of the Chief of Police

Maurice Williams, Police Chief, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for June 15, 2017, through July 14, 2017. The report showed 68 traffic arrests and 30 criminal arrests for the month. There were 84 UCR reportable incidents and 494 CAD incidents for the month, with a total of 3145 incidents year to date. Monies collected by the Police Department for the month for tickets, permits, reports, and services totaled \$5,125.60.

Report of Fire Department Mount Joy (FDMJ)

Phil Colvin, FDMJ Fire Chief, provided a written monthly report for June 2017.

Report of Main Street Mount Joy (MSMJ)

Kim Brewer, MSMJ Manager, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017. Brewer made a statement in regards to the Lancaster News Paper (LNP) article that was recently published making it sound as though MSMJ does not provide audits to the Borough. Brewer stated that MSMJ provides a complete audit every year to the Borough manager and has done so since 2003.

Report of the Milanof-Schock Library (MSL)

Barbara Basile, Executive Director of Milanof-Schock Library, provided a written monthly report for June 2017.

Report of Codes and Zoning Officer

Stacie Gibbs, Codes and Zoning Officer, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017. Gibbs reported that once a few items are addressed at Old Standby Park, the deed of dedication will be presented to Council. Gibbs also reported that the Rotary Park trail connection is underway.

Report of Stormwater Officer

Dave Salley, Stormwater Enforcement Officer, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017.

Report of the Borough Authority Manager

John Leaman, Authority Manager, provided a written monthly report for July 2017.

Report of the Borough Manager

Samuel Sulkosky, Borough Manager, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017.

Deering asked if Sulkosky is tracking his time spent on Right to Know Requests. Sulkosky said no but the time he spends on each one varies. He said he estimates that he spends about two to three hours per request.

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

On a **MOTION** by Seidel, and a second by Youngerman, a request was made to approve the minutes of the regular Borough Council meeting held on July 10, 2017.

Deering said that under the Report of the Public Works Committee, the letter e needs to be removed at the beginning of the second sentence.

Motion carries unanimously. Smeltz abstained.

Administration and Finance Committee

No matters to bring before Council.

Report of the Public Safety Committee

On a **MOTION** by Hall, and a second by Deering, approval was given for Resolution 17-17, a Resolution of Borough Council to allow the suspension of a banner across SR 230 from August 21, 2017, to September 7, 2017, near the Borough Offices at 21 East Main Street, Mount Joy.

Motion carries unanimously.

On a **MOTION** by Hall, and a second by Deering, approval was given to authorized staff and solicitor to develop an amendment to Ordinance Chapter §255-71(A) changing the \$15.00 fee to \$20.00 for all offenses except handicapped parking.

Motion carries unanimously.

Report of the Public Works Committee

Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, provided and reviewed a written monthly report for July 2017. Nissley said the Borough will be notified by September 1, 2017, on whether we will be awarded the Automated Red Light Enforcement (ARLE) grant to improve the pedestrian signals on five intersections on Main Street. Paving will begin on the South Plum Street project in the beginning of September. Nissley said that residents will be notified in regards to the project timeline. Rotary Park path extension ramps will be installed this week and the paving will take place by the end of August.

Mayor Bradley thanked Nissley for his quick response in regards to the preemption issue concerning the Fire Department.

Deering asked if the trees that were removed due to ash borer damage at Little Chiques Park will be replaced. Nissley said they will need to evaluate the area to determine where new trees would be placed.

Public Input Period

Dale Murray, 120 Farmington Way, suggested that since the Borough will be paving New Haven Street in 2018 that a plan be put into place to re-route 772. He said that a weight limit should be put on New Haven Street. Smeltz said he is working on it.

Ned Sterling, 13 West Main Street, asked if the presentation on Complete Streets that Gibbs gave to the Planning Commission would also be presented to Council. Gibbs said she did not have any plans to present to Council because the presentation was a trail run for the application process. She said if Council wishes to see the presentation she would do it. Hall asked Gibbs to send the presentation to Council in a PDF form. Sterling said there was interesting information in the presentation.

Bruce Haigh, 504 Rose Petal Lane, said that Gibbs, Nissley and Salley do a phenomenal job on stormwater with the limited resources that they have. Haigh said that he sees problems with the PRP in regards to the items that were to be performed by licensed professionals. He said it is the work of the engineer and what may not have been done or checked by licensed professionals where he sees issues. Haigh said the engineer stated that they did not find it necessary to notify the homeowners association that they were going to be in the PRP as a potential. Haigh believes it would have been common courtesy to talk with the homeowners association in regards to possibly converting a dry detention to a wet detention basin if it is on the PRP plan. He explained that homeowners associations have to pay to maintain stormwater basins and it can be very costly to communities.

Haigh stated that the licensed work was not done by licensed professionals because no licensed professional would have proposed a vegetative swale at Rotary Park in that extent of the drainage area.

Any other matter proper to come before Council

Deering announced that Kids Joy Land Community Day will take place on September 24, 2017. Mayor Bradley reminded Council that on August 25, 2017, the MSL will hold their annual benefit auction.

Authorization to Pay Bills

On a MOTION by Youngerman, and a second by Reese, the Council approved paying the bills as presented.

GENERAL FUND	\$	192,087.89
REFUSE/RECYCLING	\$	41,712.13
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$	20,323.50
HIGHWAY AID FUND	\$	3,381.50
ESCROW FUND	\$	1,344.72
JOY LAND ACCOUNT	\$	-
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	258,849.74

Motion carries unanimously.

Meetings and dates of importance

See the pink calendar for the month of August 2017.

Council went into executive session at 9:35 PM for personnel reasons and came out at 10:10 PM.

On a MOTION by Smeltz and a second by Seidel, approval was given to promote Detective Kyle Hosking to the rank of Sergeant, effective immediately.

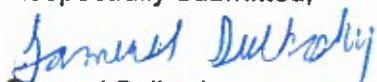
Motion carries unanimously.

Council went into executive session at 10:16 PM to discuss personnel matters and came out at 10:35 PM.

A MOTION was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 PM.

Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Samuel Sulkosky
Borough Manager/Secretary