

**MOUNT JOY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**October 5, 2020 Minutes**

The Mount Joy Borough Council held its regular meeting on October 5, 2020. In light of the Coronavirus this public meeting was held as a virtual meeting.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call- Present were Councilors Dominic Castaldi, Joshua Deering, Lu Ann Fahndrich, Mary Ginder, William Hall, Michael Reese, Bob Ruschke, Brian Youngerman and Mayor Timothy Bradley, Jr. Staff present were Borough Manager, Casey Kraus, Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley; Stormwater Officer, Dave Salley; Codes and Zoning Officer; Stacie Gibbs; Police Chief, Robert Goshen and Administrative Assistant, Lisa Peffley. Councilor David Eichler joined the meeting at 7:23 PM.

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

President Hall announced there were no Executive Sessions held since the last Council Meeting.

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Ruschke, approval was given to accept the agenda for the October 5, 2020, Borough Council meeting. An **AMENDMENT** by Deering, and a second by Ginder, to remove 12 C from the Agenda. *Amendment carries unanimously. Main motion as amended carries unanimously.*

**Public Input Period**

Ned Sterling, 13 W. Main St., inquired about the denial on Stacie's report regarding property at 140 Farmview St. and the removal of a street tree located at 212 Marietta Ave.

**Report of Mayor**

Mayor Bradley gave an oral report for September 2020.

**Report of the Chief of Police**

Robert Goshen, Police Chief, provided a written monthly report for August 1, 2020, through August 31, 2020. The report showed 48 traffic arrests and 24 criminal arrests for the month. There was a total of 718 incidents for the month of June, with a total of 4,615 incidents year to date. Monies collected by the Police Department for the month for tickets, permits, reports, and services totaled \$5,959.42.

**Report of Fire Department Mount Joy (FDMJ)**

Matt Gohn, FDMJ Fire Chief, provided a written monthly report for August 2020.

**Report of SVEMS**

SVEMS provided a written report for September 2020.

**Report of EMA**

No report.

**Report of Main Street Mount Joy (MSMJ)**

Dave Schell, Executive Director, provided a monthly report for September 2020. Schell informed Council that Main Street Mount Joy received their 2020 National Accreditation.

**Report of the Milanof-Schock Library (MSL)**

Barbara Basile, Executive Director of Milanof-Schock Library, provided a written monthly report for August 2020.

**Report of Codes and Zoning Officer**

Stacie Gibbs, Codes and Zoning Officer, provided a written monthly report for September 2020.

**Report of Stormwater Officer**

Dave Salley, Stormwater Enforcement Officer, provided a written monthly report for September 2020.

**Report of Public Works Director**

Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, provided a written report for September 2020. Nissley told Council that the gate system and fencing at the Compost site is in the process of being installed. Applications for the key fob will be available at the Borough Office or online beginning November 1<sup>st</sup> and key fobs will be available for pick up December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Report of the Borough Authority Manager**

Joseph Ardini, Authority Manager, provided a written monthly report for September 2020.

**Report of the Borough Manager**

Casey Kraus, Borough Manager, provided a written monthly report for September 2020.

**Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Ginder, approval was given for the minutes of the regular Borough Council meeting held on September 14, 2020. *Motion carries unanimously.*

**Administration and Finance Committee**

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Reese, a request was made to approve Resolution No. 22-20, appointing Interim Manager, Charles M. Kraus, III, as Borough Secretary. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Youngerman led a discussion on recommendation to proceed with reviewing and updating Borough Ordinance 40 Manager; review and update manager's job description; review the PA Borough Code section pertaining to Borough Managers, in preparation for developing an advertisement seeking applications for Borough Manager. Input from Council members on the Ordinance or job description should be communicated to Casey by October 16<sup>th</sup> in order to be discussed at the October Administration Finance Committee meeting with hopes of having a proposal for the November Council meeting.

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman and a second by Reese, a request was made to approve Resolution No. 23-20, appointing Borough Manager/Interim Borough Manager as chief administrative officer of the police and non-uniform pension plans. (Titles rather than individual names are recommended by RJ Hall pension funds manager). *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Reese, a request was made to approve memo from Interim Borough Manager notifying Borough Council of the 2021 MMO for the Uniform Pension Plan and attached worksheet. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Youngerman, and a second by Reese, a request was made to approve memo from Interim Borough Manager notifying Borough Council of the 2021 MMO for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan and attached worksheet. *Motion carries unanimously.*

**Report of the Public Safety Committee**

On a **MOTION** by Fahndrich, and a second by Eichler, a request was made change the crosswalk to a ladder crosswalk design, add signage and reduce the amount of available parking in that area of North Market Street. *Motion carries 8-1. Youngerman voting no.*

On a **MOTION** by Fahndrich, and a second by Eichler, a request was made to approve the noise exemption request for the Legion Fundraiser Event to be held on October 24, 2020, location 560 Clay Alley from 12pm to 5pm. *Motion carries unanimously.*

On a **MOTION** by Fahndrich, and a second by Eichler, a request was made to place the following wording on any of the Borough's social media pages and Borough's website to indicate that Mount Joy Borough will continue to follow the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Commission's long-standing Trick Or Treat scheduling policy. While not a Borough sponsored activity, we communicate this recommended date/time which is Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, for everyone's safety. The Borough will not be changing the date/time for any reason, including inclement weather. Participation in Trick or Treat is entirely up to the preference of individual families. We encourage those who do partake this year to follow available CDC and PADOH guidelines related to COVID-19. *Motion carries 8-1, Hall voting no.*

**Report of the Public Works Committee**

On a **MOTION** by Deering, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to recommend the Model Stormwater Ordinance to Council for approval to have ARRO and solicitor review it. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Nissley led a discussion to inform Council of the proposal for cleanup of Gateway Park by Boy Scout Troop 39, MSMJ and volunteers along with repair of the stone wall and stone arch. Emanuel Hoffer and Jeff Summy would donate their labor for the repair work on the stone wall and arch.

On a **MOTION** by Deering, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to allow Boy Scout Troop 39, Main Street Mount Joy and other volunteers as mentioned and beyond to clean up of Gateway Park this fall *Motion carries unanimously.*

Deering led a discussion of a request from Lifegate Church to rent the pavilion at War Memorial Park. The Mayor commented that this park is different from the other Borough parks. This park is a place for quiet and reflection and has reservations about using this park for any other uses than reflection purposes. He said he is fully supportive for use of the other Borough parks for church services and other activities and gatherings.

On a **MOTION** by Deering, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to grant use of War Memorial Park to Lifegate Church following the guidelines at War Memorial Park Thursdays in October from 5pm – 7pm. *Motion carries 8-1, Ruschke voting no.*

On a **MOTION** by Deering, and a second by Ginder, a request was made to waive the \$175 stormwater permit application fee for Mr. Newcomer associated with his small storm water project. *Motion carries unanimously.*

**Public Input Period**

Ferne Silberman, spoke on behalf of the Rotary Club and informed Council that the Rotary shredding event will take place Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Milanof-Schock Library 9am-11am and cash donations are requested. All donations will be given to the Mount Joy Christmas Tree decorations fund. The tree will be decorated November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Dale Murray, 120 Farmington Wy., inquired about the street tree removed by PP&L located at 84 W Main St. and asked if it was on the Borough work schedule for the fall.

**Any other matter proper to come before Council**

None

**Authorization to Pay Bills**

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

GENERAL FUND	\$	454,450.85
REFUSE/RECYCLING	\$	54,498.78
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$	8,190.66
HIGHWAY AID FUND	\$	76,946.18
ESCROW FUND	\$	2,495.00
JOY LAND ACCOUNT	\$	-
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	596,581.47

*Motion carries unanimously.*

**Meetings and dates of importance**

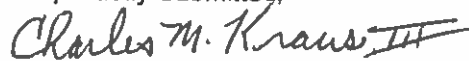
See the Orange calendar for the month of October 2020.

No Executive Session was held.

**Adjournment**

On a **MOTION** by Reese, and a second by Eichler, approval was given to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. *Motion carries unanimously.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Charles M. Kraus, III  
Interim Borough Manager/Secretary