# Mount Joy Borough Council Special Meeting Minutes November 2, 2017

The Mount Joy Borough Council held a special meeting on November 2, 2017, at the Mount Joy Borough Council Chambers.

President Glessner called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. President Glessner established a meeting time limit until 9:30 pm.

Roll Call - Present were: Councilors Deering, Reese, Seidel, Smeltz, Youngerman, President Glessner and Mayor Bradley. Councilors Millar, Ginder and Hall were absent.

Also present were; Public Works Director, Dennis Nissley; Borough Manager, Samuel Sulkosky, Parks Department Brian Brubaker. Members of the public present were Kim Brewer (MSMJ), Dale Murray and Katie Marcello.

### **Public Input Period**

Dale Murray asked if the police contract was completed. Councilor Reese said no.

#### **End of Public Input Period**

#### **Budget Discussion**

Brian Brubaker went of the Parks Department budget with Council. Some items discussed was the treatment and removal of trees in Chiques Park due to the Ash Borer infestation, fixing the basketball court.

Councilor Smeltz for the cost breakdown for the treatment and cutting of Ash trees. Brubaker said \$3,500 for treatment of trees.

Councilor Deering asked about Contracted Services 01.454.450. Brubaker send he would bring the cost breakdown to next budget meeting.

Mayor Bradley asked about the \$17,000 for a Public Works truck and could some of that be paid by the refuse fund. Dennis Nissley responded that it would be used in part by composting activities.

Dennis Nissley, Public Works Director, explained the departments street sweeping process and changing current practices. Nissley discussed the PPL streetlight of 80% maintenance and 20% electricity. PPL will replace all lights 10 years or older at no cost to the Borough. Mayor commented about doing an evaluation as to the best option.

Nissley discussed the 25-year road plan and specifically the cost over the next five years with putting money into the Capital Fund for major road projects. Nissley and the Borough Manager put \$100,000 from the general Fund into the Capital Fund along with the \$40,000 from streetlight expenses. The Public Works Committee added another \$144,000 for a total of \$244,000.

Deering asked about the yellow curb painting. Nissley said they did the Main Street corridor this year and did not do the rest of the Borough. Deering said that it made the town look better.

Dave Salley reviewed the stormwater budget and discussed the upcoming stormwater projects which is fund by the PA DEP grant. Salley explained the new line items added to the stormwater budget and the reasoning for the line items.

Councilor Youngerman discussed the administration budget including non-uniform pay adjustments, Borough Manager salary and putting \$70,000 into the pension fund or OPEB liability.

Mayor Bradley questions the pay increases for the Stormwater Officer and Borough Manager stating he thought they were excessive. Sulkosky responded saying the Stormwater Officer was transferring from hourly to salary with no overtime.

Sulkosky discussed the difficulties in budgeting this year considering the ongoing real estate reassessment and ongoing police negotiations.

Councilor Smeltz commended staff on their work on the budget. He found the budget to be much better than previous years.

Kim Brewer, Executive Director MSMJ, gave an update on MSMJ and discussed the possible revolving loan fund.

Council went into Executive Session at 8:50 pm for personnel issues and came out of Executive Session at 9:06 pm. No action was taken.

## Any other Matter proper to come before Council

There being no further business, Council adjourned the meeting at 9:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Samuel Sulkosky

Borough Manager/Secretary

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