

December 11, 2018

The regular meeting of the Royersford Borough Council was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Anil Dham at Royersford Borough Hall, 300 Main Street, Royersford, Pa.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was followed by roll call.

Present: A. Demchik, A. Dham, A. Metricarti, J. Moskal, T. Moyer, M. Stehman, T. Weikel, Mayor J. Antoniewicz, Solicitor R. Brant and Manager M. Leonard

VISITORS:

No visitors spoke at the meeting.

T. Weikel asked Council members if anyone had any questions on the 2019 Borough Budget, hearing none T. Weikel made a motion seconded by A. Metricarti to pass the 2019 Borough Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

R. Brant reported to Council he had three ordinances to present tonight. Ordinance #900 is setting the millage for the 2019 tax year. Solicitor Brant held a public hearing on Ordinance #900. Solicitor Brant opened the floor for public comment on Ordinance #900. There was no comment from the public. Solicitor Brant closed the floor and asked Council for a motion. Motion was made by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti to approve Ordinance #900 by roll call vote. A. Demchik –yes, A. Dham – yes, A. Metricarti- yes, J. Moskal- yes, T. Moyer-yes, M. Stehman- yes, T. Weikel –yes. Motion passed 7-0.

Solicitor Brant presented to Council Ordinance #898 setting the rate for collection of trash and garbage in 2019.

\$86 per quarter per residential unit
\$139 per quarter for residences with business
\$157 per quarter for 2-3 unit apartments
\$163 per quarter for 2 unit residential
\$174 per quarter for 3-4 unit apartments with office
\$192 per quarter for 3-4 unit apartments
\$258 per quarter for fire companies
\$356 per quarter for 4 or more apartments

Solicitor Brant opened the floor for public comment on Ordinance #898; there was no comment from the public. Solicitor Brant closed the floor and asked Council for a motion. Motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti to approve Ordinance #898 by roll call vote. A. Demchik-yes, A. Dham-yes, A. Metricarti-yes, J. Moskal-yes, T. Moyer-yes, M. Stehman-yes, T. Weikel-yes. Motion passed 7-0.

Solicitor Brant presented to Council Ordinance #899 setting the rate for sewer rentals. Sewer use charge \$4.20 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed. If the improved property has installed a meter to measure the volume discharge, the sewer use charge shall be \$4.20 per 100 cubic feet of discharge. The minimum charge is \$90.00 per quarter. Sewer rentals or charges for domestic waste discharge into the sewer systems from any improved property when the volume of water is not metered and when the actual volume of discharge is not metered as permitted in this ordinance shall be computed at the rate of \$130.50 per quarterly billing period per dwelling unit. Solicitor Brant opened the floor for a public hearing for public comment on Ordinance #899. There were no public comments on Ordinance #899. Solicitor Brant closed the hearing and asked Council for a motion. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by T. Moyer to approve Ordinance #899 by roll call vote. A. Demchik- yes, A. Dham-yes, A. Metricarti-yes, J. Moskal-yes, T. Moyer-yes, M. Stehman-yes, T. Weikel-yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor Brant asked Council President Dham for an executive session at the end of the meeting regarding personnel.

The Treasurer's Report and Sewer & Solid Waste Collection Report for November 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by T. Weikel seconded M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Leonard reported on the daycare at 380 Church Street.

Manager Leonard reported that the boat dock has been taken out of the water for repair.

Manager Leonard reported that the borough was sent an agreement and it was reviewed by our Solicitor to hire PFM Financial Advisors to study the possible sale of the borough's sewer plant, under Phase 1 of the process. The cost will be between \$8,000 and \$10,000. Motion by J. Moskal seconded by T. Weikel to sign the agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard informed Council that the borough would need a consultant for the Phase 1 Sewer Project; it was suggested to hire Khal Hassan who has experience in this process. Motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman to hire Khal Hassan. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard reported to Council that Phase1 Environmental Study was completed on the lot at 4th and Main Street.

Manager Leonard proposed Resolution #2018-19 Trail Grant for Phase 7 from DVRPC. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Disbursements in the amount of \$153,290.71 were presented and authorized paid upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti. The motion passed unanimously.

WASTE WATER COMMITTEE:

The report of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent for the month of October 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion of M. Stehman seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/CODE ENFORCEMENT:

The report of the Director of Public Works for the month of November 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by A. Demchik seconded by M. Stehman. The motion passed unanimously.

The report of the Code Enforcement Officer for the month of November 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by A. Demchik seconded by M. Stehman. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Demchik reported to Council that the mailbox for letters to Santa is a huge success; over 200 letters to date have been received.

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

The minutes of the November 1, 2018 committee meeting were presented and accepted upon motion by T. Moyer seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

There was a short discussion regarding movie nights.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

The report of the Borough Fire Marshal for the month of November 2018 was presented and accepted upon motion by J. Moskal seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

A. Metricarti reported the committee appointments and reappointments:

Park and Recreation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Julie Lacy	12/31/2021
Denise Cranata	12/ 31/2021
Caitlin Asbert	12-31-2020 (taking the term of Laurie Faust)

Zoning Board

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Scott Lail	12/31/ 2021

Planning Commission

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
James Bauer	12/31/2021
Shawn Ward	12/31/2021
Joseph Evans	12/31/2021

Civil Service Commission

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Gene Shantz	12/31/2022

Motion by A. Metricarti to appoint the borough committees seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Metricarti reported to Council the staff appointments for 2019.

Borough Manager- Michael A. Leonard
Emergency Management Coordinator-Dan Miller
Director of Public Works/ Fire Marshal- Craig Keffer
Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent- Jack Huzzard
Waste Water Engineer & Sewage Enforcement Officer-Alex Morrison, ARRO
Borough Engineer- David T. Kee, ARRO
Borough Solicitor- Robert L. Brant, Brant Associates
Labor Council – Chris Gerber, Sianna, Bellwoar & McAndrew
Building/Zoning Officer- Paul Labe, LTL Consultants Ltd.
Zoning Hearing Board- Charles Garner, Wolf, Baldwin & Associates
Auditors - William Breslawski, Maille LLP

Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by T. Weikel to appoint the borough staff for 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Metricarti presented the Borough Manager's contract for approval. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by T. Weikel to approve the Borough Manager's contract. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard thanked Council to allow him to serve Royersford Borough for another year.

A. Metricarti reviewed some issues regarding the borough parking lots. There was a short discussion among Council members on how to resolve some of the parking lot issues.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No report

President Anil Dham gave Council the state of Royersford Borough covering the accomplishments that were done in 2018.

Council President asked for a motion to cancel the December 26th Council meeting. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by J. Moskal. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR:

Mayor Antoniewicz reported to Council that she will officiate two weddings; one on December 22, 2018 and another wedding on May 17, 2019, charging \$150.00 per wedding.

Solicitor Brant asked for an executive session regarding a personnel matter, and might reconvene the Council meeting.

Council went into executive session at 8:13PM, and returned to the Council meeting at 9:04PM. The board met in executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Motion was made by M. Stehman seconded by A. Metricarti to not renew the Police Chief's contract between Thomas Nerlinger and Royersford Borough; the contract will expire December 31, 2018 at midnight. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti to appoint Scot Fennelly as Officer in Charge effective January 1, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Antoniewicz asked that a statement be put in the record. As Mayor I want what is best for the Police Department, that we can work for the public safety for our community, and would request that greater communication for the people in the room for regular administration process between our Borough Manager, Council President, Public Safety Committee, and me when necessary for the future.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Demchik. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Leonard
Secretary