

**MINUTES  
BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
May 1, 2017  
7:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Eberly. Council President Frank Webster, Jr., Council Members Charles Eckstine, Larry Faight, James Farley, Duane Kinzer, Matthew Smith. Absent was Craig Myers. Also present were Borough Manager Eden Ratliff and Borough Secretary Ericka Faight

Invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Council President Frank Webster announced that Council held an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss potential litigation matters.

**Public Comment**

Wade Burkholder, 235 E. Baltimore Street, announced that small electronics are being accepted at the Hagerstown Goodwill and WRGG Radio is having a shredder event Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Sunnyway.

Larry Pittman invited everyone to the Memorial Day Parade followed by a ceremony at the cemetery.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

***Minutes of previous meetings:***

On an Eckstine/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve Borough Council Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2017.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Report of Disbursement and Payment of Bills**

On a Farley/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the April 2017 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$63,680.32.

**Reports from Elected Officials**

**President's Report**

President Webster noted that he attended the Arbor Day event at the library and that it was a nice ceremony.

The Borough is officially designated as part of Tree City USA, Manager Ratliff presented a plaque and explained that having Tree City USA status will allow for grant opportunities. Mr. Webster stated that he is grateful to live in a community where most of the residents take pride in where they live.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Eberly added that he was also impressed with the Arbor Day ceremony and noted the tree that was planted was a new breed of Elm.

Chief Phillippy stated that the police report was included in the agenda and the monthly hours included a few training sessions with Women in Need that will serve as an additional tool in domestic responses.

Eckstine questioned overtime hours, Chief Phillippy explained that although the breakdown may not be complete, the total of 46 hours is correct.

Mr. Kinzer asked for an hour of foot patrol per shift, chief stated that foot patrol is done on an irregular basis and as time allows. Mr. Kinzer asked about the cruisers that he requested to be placed around town and Manager Ratliff interjected that Council should not be discussing policing strategies during a public meeting.

## **Reports from Committees**

### **A. Administration & Finance:**

1. On a Farley/Kinzer motion, Council voted unanimously to approve and adopt Borough of Greencastle Purchasing Memorandum 050117 as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Mr. Eckstine noted that the first quarter numbers look good and the Borough is just under 25% of its anticipated revenue, and expenses are in line with revenue. Snow removal is budgeted at \$32,500 and there is \$22,000 currently remaining so things look good right now.

### **B. Personnel:**

### **C. Public Safety:**

Chief Phillippy stated that the department received the updated Keystone Health Agreement from the solicitor with only minor changes.

### **D. Public Facilities:**

Manager Ratliff apologized for the cancellation of the Public Facilities Meeting that was scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **E. Community Development**

### **F. Correspondence**

## **Reports from Council Members**

Mr. Kinzer asked what was on the agenda for the Public Facilities meeting that was cancelled at the last minute and asked why it had been scheduled so late in the month. Manager Ratliff explained that it can take weeks to schedule committee meetings due to work schedules of the members. Mr. Kinzer questioned the manager's monthly report pertaining to the Storm Water Authority proposal being placed under old business when he was unaware of any previous conversation on the issue, and he asked for clarification on the changes to the purchasing procedures. Mr. Kinzer also commended the Mayor and the Shade Tree Commission on the Arbor Day activities.

Mr. Farley stated that the Shade Tree Commission does not get the recognition that they deserve and should be commended on their service.

Mr. Faight stated the ladies who plant the flowers around town should be recognized.

Mr. Eckstine said that he is thankful for this wonderful community and we should all be thankful as well.

Adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka Faight  
Borough Secretary