

**BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
April 1, 2019
7:00 P.M.
842 S. Washington Street**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ben Thomas Jr., Council President Steven Miller, Councilmembers: H. Duane Kinzer, Frank Webster Jr., Larry Faight, Joel Amsley, Matthew Smith, and Wade Burkholder. Also present were Borough Manager Eden Ratliff, Assistant Borough Manager Lorraine Hohl, and Chief of Police John Phillippy.

President Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Councilmember Webster gave the invocation.

President Miller led the Council, staff and audience in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

President Miller noted that the meeting was being recorded by staff for the purposes of recording the meeting.

Opportunity to be Heard:

President Miller invited Borough citizens may address Council at this time on specific issues of concern reminding them of the public comment policy.

Robert Johnson of 501 E. Baltimore Street brought up concerns about stormwater that flows across his property. He requested that members of Council and staff meet at his property to review.

Jeff Lonigan of 125 Orchard Circle suggested the Borough hold a community yard sale. The Community Development Committee was tasked with researching the proposal.

Ralph Burdick of 58 Homestead Drive reviewed the Planning Commission's recommendation for adding a conditional use to the general residential zone.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following is a list of routine items which do not appear to be controversial in nature and which likely do not require additional discussion. They can be acted on by one motion in their current form. If discussion is desired on any particular item, any member of Council, or the public, may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda and that item will be considered separately.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Borough Council Meeting March 4, 2019.

Bulk Item Disposal Day May 3rd 8:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. and May 4th 7:00a.m. to 10:30a.m.

Greencastle Flyers Pub Run on April 13, 2019 at 8:15a.m. closing streets and restricting traffic with Greencastle Police assistance as outlined in the March 8, 2019 correspondence.

Old Home Week permissions as outlined in the March 29, 2019 correspondence from the Old Home Week Committee President.

60 days of Free Parking on Saturday at all metered spaces beginning April 6, 2019 concluding June 1, 2019.

Permission to Bob and Michelle Spessard to recognize the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month

within the Borough of Greencastle and place blue bows on the parking meters within one block of the Square from April 1, 2019 to April 30, 2019.

Eden Ratliff and Lorraine Hohl to attend all or part of the Pennsylvania State Association of Borough's Conference June 9th through June 12th and Eden Ratliff to be the Borough's Voting Delegate.

Close N. Washington Street from Madison Street to Pine Lane from 12:15p.m. to 12:45p.m. on May 2nd for the National Day of Prayer observance.

Close streets and recognize the Memorial Day parade at 10:00a.m. on May 27, 2019 as outlined in the correspondence from The American Legion Post #373 dated March 6, 2019.

On a Webster/Amsley motion the Council voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

Payment of bills

On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to approve disbursements listed on the March 2019 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$229,680.71.

Reports from Elected Officials

President's Report

President Miller gave an interesting report going over the upcoming Pennsylvania Association of Borough's conference and rules about abstaining from votes.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor gave an interesting report that is attached to the minutes.

Chief's Report

The Chief gave a thorough report that is attached to the minutes.

Manager's Report

Ratliff gave a detailed report that is attached to the minutes.

1. Personnel:

2. Public Safety:

Amsley asked if there was a strategy concerning the deployment and/or usage of cameras in the Borough.

Chief indicated that the cameras can see vehicles and scenarios that pass them aiding in the solving of crimes.

Amsley asked if the cameras had plate readers on them.

Chief explained that they did not have plate readers due to the considerable expense and data storage issues.

Amsley asked that the camera and its benefits be added to the Chief's monthly report.

Faight clarified that the cameras are able to be monitored from the police vehicles.

1. On a Webster Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to approve quotes #58527 from Teleplus in

the amount of \$5,994.80 to install two (2) cameras on the town square and quote #48528 from Teleplus in the amount of \$3,959.20 to install one (1) camera at the intersection of U.S. 11 and S.R. 16.

2. Council took no action on quote #48754 in the amount of \$1,574.25 to install an emergency blue light call system outside the police station at 60 N. Washington Street.

3. Correspondence:

1. On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to approve a request from the Fire Chief of Rescue Hose No. 1 regarding air unit response assignments.
2. Mayor Thomas provided a brief overview of correspondence from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to Mayor Thomas on March 12, 2019. Mayor Thomas stated that the matter was still being reviewed to see what additional improvements could be made.

4. Community Development:

Ratliff gave an overview of a draft ordinance as prepared by the Borough Planning Commission adding a "multi-purpose events center" as a conditional use to the General Residential Zone.

Mayor Thomas expressed concern over the conditions outlined within including acreage requirements and hours of operations.

Ratliff noted that the Planning Commission wrestled with the philosophical question of whether they wanted to be more or less restrictive.

Kinzer agreed with Thomas in that he wanted the ordinance to be less restrictive.

Ralph Burdick of the Planning Commission noted that the restrictions came from public comments.

Faight inquired about the justification for limiting outdoor events.

Thomas cautioned against seeking restrictions without having a formal application for conditional use.

On a Webster/Burkholder approved for the ordinance to be re-drafted with less restrictions as recommended by the Community Development Committee.

5. Administration & Finance:

1. On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to award a contract with E. E. Mills & Son Painting, LLC in the amount of \$25,000.00 to scrape and paint the town clock tower.
2. On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to table action on a bid from Wyoming Electric and Signal.com in the amount of \$75,660.00 to install two rapid flashing beacons on Baltimore Street in accordance with the Green Light Go grant.

The Council adjourned into recess at 8:21p.m.

The Council resumed from recess at 8:30p.m.

Ratliff gave a thorough presentation on the budget for the stormwater utility that the Stormwater Pollutant Impact Fee will support. The presentation is attached to the minutes.

On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to adopt the proposed budget with an annual revenue requirement of \$780,000 as presented.

6. Public Facilities:

Opportunity to be Heard:

President Miller invited Borough citizens may address Council at this time on the stormwater utility budget presentation reminding them of the public comment policy.

Kendra Phiel asked that Council indefinitely defer the sidewalk program due to the MS4 costs.

Miller invited Council and Mayor to make final comments.

Burkholder: Inquired about switching Borough street lights to LED.

Webster: Made comments that required no action.

Smith: None

Amsley: Inquired about the approvals of the methods and definitions for the Stormwater Utility.

Mayor: Thanked the public for attending and noted that MS4 has been in the news.

Faight: Noted the importance of public education.

Miller: noted that the Council and staff have been pushing forward.

On a Webster/Faight motion the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Eden R. Ratliff,
Borough Manager