

**BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
July 9, 2019
7:00 P.M.
60 N. Washington Street**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Council President Steven Miller, Councilmembers: H. Duane Kinzer, Frank Webster Jr., 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. Councilmember Larry Faight and Mayor Ben Thomas were absent.

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

Reverend Brenda Clark 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.

Recess to attempt contacting Mayor Ben Thomas to participate in the meeting via phone, unsuccessful.

On an Amsley/Smith motion the Council voted to approve the proposed agenda for July 9, 2019 council meeting.

Opportunity to be Heard:

President Miller invited Borough citizens to address Council with specific issues of concern reminding them of the public comment policy.

Bill Little the Deputy EMS chief for Greencastle/Antrim Township exhibited a “show and tell” needle which he reported as drug paraphernalia that he believes can be found throughout the playground and various places downtown. After giving advice on how to appropriately avoid harm if one encounters a needle, Mr. Little discussed the issue of increased drug use in Greencastle and requested the creation of a drug task force.

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 Special Meeting May 30, 2019.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Payment of bills

On an Amsley/Smith motion the Council voted unanimously to approve disbursements listed on the June 2019

Disbursement Report in the amount of \$148,668.63.

Amsley asked if there are any areas the Borough is over budget. Ratliff stated the first half of the year will be reviewed with the finance committee once June is reconciled.

Reports from Elected Officials

President's Report

President Miller gave a supportive report relating to the community's response to the MS4 program deployment.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Thomas was not in attendance, but provided the council with his report which was delivered by Ratliff and is attached to the minutes.

Chief's Report

Chief Phillippy gave a detailed report highlighting incidents, violations, and related vehicle repairs. This report is attached to the minutes.

Manager's Report

Ratliff gave a systematic report including elaborations on feedback regarding the MS4 program, sidewalk & traffic issues, and a collaborative stream restoration project with Antrim Township. The report is attached to the minutes.

1. Personnel:

2. Public Safety:

3. Community Development:

1. On an Amsley/Burkholder motion the Council voted unanimously to adopt the proposed creation of a farmers market to take place in downtown Greencastle on the last Thursday of the month in August, September, and October.
2. To support advertising and promotional needs for the Farmers Market, the council approved expenditures not to exceed the amount of \$630.00.

4. Administration & Finance:

1. On an Amsley/Smith motion the Council voted unanimously to authorize the execution of a Schreiber Treatment Systems proposal in the amount of \$45,655.00 to replace 1 center wheel bearing at the wastewater treatment plant.
2. On a Smith/Amsley motion Council voted unanimously to authorize the execution of a quote Gano Paving in the amount of 13,175.00 to replace the meadow manhole.
3. On a Smith/Amsley motion Council voted unanimously to approve the demolition of the trickling filter by Scott's Hauling and Excavating for the bid amount of \$13,900.00.
4. On a Smith/Burkholder motion Council voted 5-1 to adopt the proposed Stormwater Utility Credit and Appeals Manual. Kinzer voted in opposition.
5. On a Smith/Amsley motion Council voted 5-1 to adopt the proposed Stormwater Utility Effectiveness Value Credits and SPIF Credits. Kinzer voted in opposition.

5. Public Facilities:

Nothing new to report, the Public Facilities Committee will meet tomorrow July 10th at 1:00p.m.

Correspondence:

1. On a Kinzer/Amsley motion the Council voted unanimously to approve a social event to take place on Brookview Drive on August 7th from 4:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. to include a band and food trucks as requested by Cherish Eby.
2. Miller noted the Borough's fireworks ordinance.

Miller invited Council and Mayor to make final comments.

Burkholder: None

Webster: None

Smith: None

Kinzer: Acknowledged the effort in developing a credit and appeals program, but feels like it is excessive for a small town. Prompted the importance of adhering to the weed ordinance noting specifically the possible violations at 43 and 45 W. Madison Street. Reminder of the excitement and pride associated with Greencastle's Old Home Week.

Amsley: None

Miller: We have a wonderful community.

On an Amsley/Smith motion the Council unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:22p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eden R. Ratliff,

Borough Manager