

**MINUTES  
BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
November 6, 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, Craig Myers. Absent was Matthew Smith. Also present were Borough Manager Eden Ratliff and Borough Secretary Ericka Faight.

*There was an Executive Session held on October 29, 2017 for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.*

Mayor Eberly gave the invocation and led the meeting in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

**Zoning Amendment Hearing**

**Public Comment**

Wade Burkholder 235 E Baltimore Street, encouraged Council to pass the proposed rezoning ordinance stating, it would be good business and he anticipates great things for the old Agway building.

Be Thomas, Jr., 302 S Washington Street, gave an overview on the how the rezoning fits into the Borough's strategic plan. The proposed change makes better sense than the current zoning,

Robert Wertime, 207 Leitersburg Street, questioned the content of the proposed rezoning ordinance, and recommend The ordinance be refined before it is adopted.

Robert Kendle, 367 N Carlisle Street, asked why the rezoning is being done. Manager Ratliff responded that there are a number of reasons for the change and the proposed Mixed Use District will be better in line with the current uses in the area. Mr. Kindle felt that the proposal was "spot zoning" and Mr. Ratliff responded that "spot zoning" happens when only one parcel is rezoned for an individual reason, this ordinance effects multiple parcels. Mr. Eckstine asked Mr. Kendle what his property is currently zoning and stated that to change just his property would be considered "spot zoning".

**Community Development**

1. On a Kinzer/Farley motion, Council Voted unanimously to approve the proposed zoning ordinance amendment:

*An Ordinance Amending Chapter 205 "Zoning" Section 205-3 "Zoning Map."*

**Regular Meeting**

**Public Comment**

Mr. Burkholder asked for a status on the street light in need of repair at the intersection of Rt. 11 and Walter Avenue.

Kendra Pheil, 30 Baumgardner Drive, asked hat meeting be advertised earlier in the paper so that people wanting to attend can plan accordingly and she asked that the meetings pertaining to the possible merger be advertised so that the Public is aware. Mr. Ratliff explained that meetings are advertised as far in advance as possible, and that advertisement of the potential merger meetings will be decided once the committee once it is formed. Mr. Farley reminded everyone that the committee's purpose will be to conduct an investigation to see what all of the options are.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

***Minutes of previous meetings:***

Approval of Borough Council Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2017 was tabled until the December Meeting.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **Report of Disbursement and Payment of Bills**

On a Kinzer/Farley motion (Mr. Myers abstaining) voted to approve the October 2, 2017 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$102,016.89.

### **Reports from Elected Officials**

#### **President's Report**

Mr. Webster said that local elections are notoriously low and encouraged everyone to go out and vote. Mr. Webster also commended everyone who was involved in the police bargaining agreement and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Eberly noted that Police Chief Phillippy was absent, and offered to pass any questions or comments on to him.

#### **Manager's Report**

Mr. Ratliff noted that a community development block grant was awarded to the Borough for just less than \$140,000.

The office hours change are now in effect and Mr. Ratliff hopes it will be a positive change.

The new police foot patrol is now in effect and there has been in an increase in the number of parking tickets issued.

### **Reports from Committees**

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

#### **B. Personnel:**

1. On a Faight/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to authorize the Council President to sign the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Greencastle Police Department Union effective January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2022.

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

1. On a Farley/Faight motion, Council voted unanimously to approve Police Department Policies 091917-1 & 2 for Overtime and Call Ins as recommended by the Police Chief and Public Safety Committee.
2. On an Eckstine/Faight motion, Council voted unanimously to authorize the Solicitor to prepare an ordinance eliminating parking on the eastern side of S. Carlisle St. from SR 11 to 20' beyond the access drive to the townhome complex as recommended by the Public Safety Committee.

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

1. On a Kinzer/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2017 Paving Program increasing the contract price \$6,083.77 for additional paving completed at the contract unit prices.
2. On a Farley/Eckstine motion, Council voted unanimously to approve Final Estimate 4302 for the 2017 Paving Program in the amount of \$105,160.73 as recommended by the Finance Committee and engineer.

3. Council tabled a motion to adopt a revised version of the Concrete Curb and Sidewalk Specifications revised October 2, 2017 as recommended by the Public Facilities Committee to be effective January 1, 2018.

#### **E. Community Development:**

1. On a Kinzer/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve a Subdivision Plan submitted by Shelly, Witter, & Fox on behalf of Dennis and Lisa Ward for property located at Moonlight Dr. and Celestial Terrace, parcel number 08-2B03-013 at the recommendation of the Community Development Committee and Planning Commission.
2. On a Kinzer/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve a request by the Chamber of Commerce to designate downtown Greencastle as free parking on November 25, 2017 for Small Business Saturday.
3. On a Kinzer/Faight motion, Council voted unanimously to authorize free parking in downtown Greencastle from December 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 for Heritage Christmas.
4. On a Myers/Faight motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6319 request to close N. Washington St. from Madison St. to Pine Ln. from 10:30a.m. - 12:30p.m. on November 11, 2017 for the Veteran's Day Ceremony.

#### **F. Correspondence:**

##### **Reports from Council Members**

Mr. Farley Congratulated Mr. Ratliff on his recent engagement.

Mr. Kinzer thanked everyone who attended the meeting stating that Council represents the community. We have a beautiful town and it takes a lot of effort to keep it beautiful. Mr. Kinzer also noted that there were two special meetings held recently, and in an effort to suit every member of Council, one meeting was held at 6:30a.m. and the other was held on a Sunday at 4:00p.m. Mr. Kinzer also asked that the residents of the downtown apartments leave the free parking during the month of December for commercial business customers

Mayor Eberly noted that Medic 2 sent a very nice letter of appreciation for the Borough's donation. On a motion,

Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka Faight  
Borough Secretary