

MINUTES
GREENCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
June 6, 2016
7:00 P.M.

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

President Webster gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Webster announced that Council held an executive session at 6:00p.m to discuss a potential litigation issue.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Public Comment

Roger Johnston, Shade Tree Commission Chair, thanked Mayor Eberly for the Arbor Day Proclamation and thank Council for appointing Ann Schnabel to create a full board. Mr. Johnston then presented an update on the activities of the Commission so far this year including: attending an educational courses on planting and maintaining trees, and urban forestry. The Commission continues to work with Borough pertaining to sidewalks and has recently applied to join Tree City USA. Mr. Johnston also expressed concern over talk that Council may abolish the Shade Tree Commission entirely and asked if they would have continue to have Council's support in the future, Mr. Webster and Mr. Farley both vowed to continue to support the Shade Tree Commission and Mr. Kinzer expressed that he has had issues with the previous Chairman and Commission and asked that the present Commission work with the Borough. Mr. Johnston stated that they fully intend to work with the community and will continue to provide updates and so there is a dialog.

Wade Burkholder announced that the Borough's new radio station WRGG will be live on the air starting June 14th. There has been a great deal of money, time and effort invested over the past two years to get the station up and running and Mr. Burkholder wanted to thank all of those who have offered encouragement.

Charles Myers, 38 Williamson Avenue, expressed concern over sidewalk installation requirements for Williamson Avenue, Mr. Myers doesn't think the Borough is treating everyone the same because his die of the street is required to have sidewalks installed by December 31, 2016 and the other side will have an extension. Ms. Armstrong explained that both sides were originally required to have sidewalks installed at the same time; however, in order to address issues and to make a more uniform result, the Borough engineer is working on a concept for the east side of the street and the plans are ready to go to PennDOT and will take a few months for their review. Because of delays in the proposed concept plan and the need for PennDOT review the east side of the street would not be able to comply with the original sidewalk installation deadline. Mr. Myers asked why both sides couldn't get an extension and Ms. Armstrong explained that he has the option to file an appeal to the SCBOA for an extension.

Kendra Fiel, 30 Baumgardner Drive, reiterated her position on removing the traffic triangle in her neighborhood stating that she spoke with her neighbors about the proposal to widen the road by reducing the size of the triangle and that they would not support that option.

Larry Pittman, 35 W Madison Street, noted that he pleaded with the Borough for six months and lost his case. *pertaining to keeping a portable toilet on his property.

CONSENT AGENDA

On an Smith/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda item:

Minutes of previous meetings:

Borough Council Meeting of May 2, 2016.

Attendance Approvals:

None.

REGULAR AGENDA

Report of Disbursement and Payment of Bills

On a Farley/Faight motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the May 2016 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$211,928.15.

President's Report

No Report.

Mayor's Report

Police report is included in the packet, Chief received a letter from the Drug Task Force pertaining to the Borough's Police Department's participation in the Drug Take Back Program. Kinzer asked for the mileage report and Mayor Eberly noted that it was included in the agenda packet and Mr. Kinzer noted that he would appreciate any downtown presence.

Reports from Committees

A. Administration/Finance:

1. On a Smith/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to ratify the Comcast Business Service Agreement Renewals for the Borough of Greencastle Public Works Garage and Town Hall facility (including Admin and PD offices) for the continuance of phone and internet services for a term of three (3) years.

B. Personnel:

1. On a Kinzer/Myers motion, Council voted unanimously to approve an Ordinance repealing previous police pension ordinances and restating the pension plan document to include all Federal Regulations and to incorporate any and all amendments.

C. Public Safety:

1. On a Smith/Kinzer motion, Council voted unanimously to authorize the drafting and advertising of an ordinance enacting an engine-brake-retarder prohibition within the Borough of Greencastle from Antrim Way (SR 0011) eastbound on Baltimore Street (SR 0016) to the Borough/Township line.
2. On a Kinzer/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve a May 31, 2016 request from the Greencastle-Antrim Old Home Week Association to utilize the Square of Greencastle for various activities associated with this year's celebration. The Old Home Week subcommittees will coordinate these events with the Borough's Police Department in advance of the intended celebration(s).
3. On a Kinzer/Faight motion, Council approved a request from a letter dated June 6, 2016.

The Rescue Hose Company No 1, Inc. (RHC) has scheduled their 2016 Annual Fireman's Carnival from Monday July 11 through Saturday July 16. The RHC is requesting your approval to hold our annual carnival on our property at 407 S. Washington Street. The RHC is requesting that a portion of the road be closed from 5-10pm as usual. The portion S. Washington to be closed is from Leitersburg Street to Oak Street.

Reports from Council Members

Mr. Smith stated that he knows of some people that are coming from out of town for Old Home Week and that serves as a testament to the event.

Mr. Farley noted that it was the 72 Anniversary of D Day and that everyone should never forget the sacrifices that were made.

Mr. Kinzer thanked those member of the public that stood up and spoke stating that they deserve a feedback from Council and he also stated that he doesn't agree with widening the road at the triangle on Baumgardner. Mr. Kinzer also asked about the line for the west bound turning lane at the intersection of US Rt 11 and US Rt 16 stating that the line is crooked and the lane should have been wider. Mayor Eberly responded that there was an issue with a building at that corner of the intersection and that is the reason it couldn't be wider. Mr. Kinzer also asked why it was suddenly an issue that the residents of 429 East Baltimore Street use the alley next to their house for parking, he understands that there is an easement and storm water drains and the Borough may have a future use for the alley; however, in the meantime the residents have been maintaining the alley and he do not understand why they cannot park in the alley until the Borough is ready to use it.

Solicitor Wisner explained that as a public alley it is to remain open for public use. There is no

parking allowed in public alleys and there is a drainage easement in the alley as well.

Mr. Faight remarked that Council all agreed that they wanted Ms. Armstrong to enforce all the ordinances and that they need to let her do that.

Ms. Armstrong stated that ultimately it is Council's policies that she is trying to enforce.

Adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka Faight
Borough Secretary