

MEETING OF THE MOUNT PENN BOROUGH COUNCIL
October 27, 2020

The Mount Penn Borough Council met in regular session on October 27, 2020 via Zoom. President Goodman brought the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Responding to roll call were, President Goodman, and Council Members: James Cocuzza, John Fielding, Richard Lombardo, Ryan Maurer, Roger Reto, and Tom Staron. Also in attendance were Mayor Nowotarski, Solicitor Tom Klonis, Chief Raymond Serafin, Engineer Christopher Falencki, Property Maintenance Inspector Adam Bender, and Secretary Bette Petrov.

I. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

II. ENGINEERING

- Mr. Falencki asked for any questions regarding his submitted report. Regarding 270 Friedensburg Road, work appears to continue; and we are still waiting for the zoning variance application. Discussion continued. Regarding the submission for the PennDot Multimodal Grant, due November 06, 2020, three items need action taken. Mr. Staron made the motion, seconded by Mr. Maurer, to apply for the PennDot Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant (\$325,150.00). The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Fielding made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lombardo to provide 30% matching fund commitment (\$139,433.60). The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Maurer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Fielding to request the PennDot Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant by Resolution #30-20. The motion carried unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Moved by Mr. Staron, seconded by Mr. Fielding to approve the minutes of September 29, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. FINANCE REPORT

- Moved by Mr. Maurer, and seconded by Mr. Mr. Staron to accept the Treasurer's Report for September 2020. The motion carried unanimously. The following balances were reported.

Checking	38,530.55
Savings	463,201.96
Liquid Fuels	83,368.20
PIB Loan	40,291.36
Fire Tax	13,622.63
Ambulance Tax	15,787.00
Petty Cash	50.00

Mr. Maurer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Reto, to ratify check #18505 - #18519 dated October 08, 2020 inclusive of on-line payments for a total of \$117,450.69; and check #18520 - #18537 dated October 22, 2020 inclusive of an on-line payment for a total of \$56,686.36 from the General Fund. Additionally, check #1319 dated October 22, 2020 for \$2,607.56 from Liquid Fuels. The motion carried unanimously.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**A. STREETS:**

Mr. Cocuzza brought up the issue of the road crew working on police vehicles.
Mr. Klonis is concerned over the liability. Our insurance carrier should be notified.
Discussion continued.

B. PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

- Mr. Maurer made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lombardo, to give the employees off on Election Day. The motion carried unanimously.
- Mr. Fielding made the motion, seconded by Mr. Maurer, to have the Borough offices deep cleaned, following Election Day, by David's Cleaning at a cost not to exceed \$400.00. The motion carried unanimously. The Water Authority has agreed to pay half of \$350.00 for the service.

C. SOLID WASTE & PUBLIC UTILITIES:

- An estimate was received from Signal Service and discussion was held regarding the preemptors. President Goodman suggested we table the issue. Mr. Staron will contact Signal Service and request they attend the November 19th workshop meeting.

D. PERSONNEL: No Report**E. INSURANCE/PENSION:**

- Mr. Fielding discussed the increase from UPMC and provided comparison costs for health benefits. Discussion continued. Mr. Lombardo made the motion, seconded by Mr. Maurer, to stay with UPMC. The motion carried unanimously.

F. CODES: No Report**V. LIASION REPORTS:****A. Fire Company:** No Report**B. MPBMA:** No Report**C. AVMA:** No Report**D. Planning Commission:** No Report**E. Police Commission:**

- Meeting Thursday, November 05, 2020
- Budget will be discussed, and they are wrapping up the contract.

F. RCAV: No Report**VI. OTHER REPORTS:****A. Mayor:**

- Received a request for Handicap Parking Space. All is in order and the Mayor has no objection.

B. Solicitor: No Report.**C. Secretary:** No Report**VII. ORDINANCES:****VIII. RESOLUTIONS****IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:****X. CORRESPONDENCE:****XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

- Mr. Staron made the motion for adjournment at 8:17 seconded by Mr. Lombardo. The motion carried unanimously.

Workshop meeting scheduled for 7:30 P.M., November 19, 2020 at Borough Hall.
The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be held 7:30 P.M., Tuesday,
November 24, 2020 at Borough Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bette E. Petrov
Secretary/Treasurer