

CARMICHAELS BOROUGH

December 14, 2022

5:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Marianne Gideon, Mark Hanley, Ralph Ewart, David Antonini, Joyce Fortney, Attorney Meghan Patrick

VISITOR: Jamie Harshman

ABSENT: Mayor Melodie Berardi

Minutes: Motion made by David Antonini to approve the minutes of November 9, 2022. Seconded by Mark Hanley. Motion carried.

Bills: Motion made by Mark Hanley to pay the current bills. Seconded by David Antonini. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Engineer: Jamie Harshman discussed assignment of a new Engineer for the Borough. It was explained to Jamie that we need someone who is proactive and very 'hands-on', especially regarding road bonding. Jamie will act as our Engineer until someone is assigned.

Discussion regarding BB&T and the marijuana plant using the Borough roads for heavy hauling and have not bonded those roads.

Jamie Harshman will contact BB&T regarding the heavy hauling.

Administration:

Motion made by Mark Hanley to adopt the 2023 Budget once the addition of the Liquid Fuels amount is added. Seconded by Ralph Ewart. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding moving some of the money in the Pine Street Account to a high interest money market account or a Certificate of Deposit. Certificate of Deposits are to possibly increase in January 2023. Tabled to January meeting.

Discussion regarding switching the phone account from Breezeline to Kinetic by Windstream. Motion made by Mark Hanley to switch to Kinetic by Windstream at the rate quoted by Windstream and eliminate the fax line. Seconded by Marianne Gideon. Motion carried.

Streets: Ralph Ewart noted that the amount quoted for the new shed was incorrect and an additional check had to be issued to Summit Five Star Buildings.

Discussion regarding removing the town trash cans. Liners are supposed to be put in on Monday mornings after trash pick-up. Mark Hanley will talk to Mary Hanley from Greene Waste Services to see if they will put in the trash liners after they pick up the trash on Monday mornings. Tabled to January meeting.

Discussion regarding a request from John Clarchick for Council to designate a handicap parking space in front of his home on S. Market Street. Council rejected the request.

Ralph Ewart noted that there are large items at the old water authority building and items in the Borough shed that need removed. He spoke to John Glendenning about removal of the old shed, scrap material and garbage at the Borough and the old water authority building.

Motion made by David Antonini to enter into an agreement with John Glendenning for removal of the old shed, scrap material, desks and garbage from the Borough and the old water authority building with the cost not to exceed \$1,000, without notice to the Borough. Seconded by Mark Hanley. Motion carried.

Ralph Ewart was contacted by a resident of Cranberry Alley nothing there is no speed limit sign on the alley. A resident in a wheel chair was run off the alley by a vehicle. Discussion regarding need for a traffic study to be done to add a speed limit sign.

Ralph Ewart noted that a few weeks prior when we experienced high winds a tree came down across Liberty Street. Fred Clark came and cut it up and removed it. The tree was from Joe Yurick's property. When the Borough receives an invoice for the removal of the tree, it will be forwarded to Joe Yurick.

The Secretary spoke to Farrah Doman regarding the Christmas tree ornaments she purchased for the Borough tree. She would appreciate it if we would purchase some Rubbermaid totes and store the ornaments in the Borough's shed.

Ralph Ewart discussed the need for new sign post sets. Motion made by Mark Hanley to call Chemung and order 5 sign post sets. Seconded by David Antonini. Motion carried.

David Antonini presented information electronic speed signs that are used to assist with traffic calming. There has been a speeding problem on many of the streets, however, Market and George cross the town square and people are speeding through the square. He will email everyone the information he received. George Street is a PennDot controlled street and the Borough would not be permitted to add these signs onto a PennDot controlled road. Bryan Walker from PennDot will be invited to meet with Council regarding what Council would like to do.

Code Enforcement: Report emailed to Council.

Police: Report emailed to Council

Detective Sams and Chief Smith will be here on the 19th to look at the evidence room and assess what needs removed and/or destroyed. Council would like the room cleaned out by January 10th

It is noted by David Antonini that none of the police reports contain any parking citations. All the new signs are erected regarding parking violations. Mark Hanley will speak with Chief Smith regarding parking an unmarked police car once or twice a week around town catching the people who are speeding through the town square and cars parking against traffic and adding parking violations to the report.

Engineer: No Report

Solicitor: No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion regarding hiring a local realtor to sell the property at 104 N. Pine Street. Howard Hanna will be contacted.

A letter will be sent to all organizations regarding proper procedures to submit information to the Borough Office regarding road closures for parades and public gatherings.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Mark Hanley to amend the Agenda for the purpose of purchasing a tv, wall mount, camera and necessary equipment for the meeting room. Seconded by Joyce Fortney. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mark Hanley to authorize the secretary to purchase a tv, wall mount, camera and necessary equipment from Best Buy to mount in the meeting room with the cost not to exceed \$750.00. Seconded by Joyce Fortney. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Mark Hanley to continue the meeting at President's call. Seconded by Joyce Fortney. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer