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**REGULAR MEETING
April 8, 2014**

President Alan Ilgen called the regular meeting of the Millheim Borough Council to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following persons in attendance: Ed Bowman, Marlene Corl, Alan Ilgen, Lauralee Snyder, Leslie Warriner, John R. Miller, III, Sharon Heckman, Mike Lesniak, Glenn Ripka, Michele Aukerman, David Grazier, Susan Haney, Mimi Owen, Carl Rote and Matt Weaver.

ABSENT: Kay Brown

CITIZEN'S INPUT:

Susan Haney raised concerns about the ability to get the burn ordinance on the Borough website.

Mimi Owen asked when a fence would be put around the tennis court at the Pool. She was told to talk to the Pool Board.

Michele Aukerman discussed with Council the engineering report and reviewed the Wastewater system corrective action plan. She also reported that the 2013 Chapter 94 report has been submitted. Ms. Aukerman explained that the NPDES Permit is due for renewal in December 2014 so it must be submitted at least six months ahead or by July 4, 2014. The fee for Uni-Tec to prepare the renewal application would be a not to exceed cost of \$3,000. By the May meeting, the Secretary will look at the form to determine how much of the application she and Mr. Rupert can complete.

Ms. Aukerman reported on the documentation from the concrete pouring of the West Main Street sidewalks. These walks were poured September 10-13. The temperature and concrete batch tests were all within proper specifications. The only possible thought was that the sealant may not have been done but the problem should have appeared the first winter since salt is usually the problem. After some discussion, the decision was made to send a letter to D.C. Ventre to see if they will correct the problem even though it is beyond the warranty period.

A motion was made by Leslie Warriner and seconded by Ed Bowman to approve payment of the two invoices submitted by Uni-Tec in the amount of \$1,125.35, one invoice for the Chapter 94 report and one invoice for balance due on Consent Order work. Motion carried.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/HARB:

Mike Lesniak reviewed with Council his written report. He reported on a request received from Ernest Auman for permission to use an air rifle in his back yard for target practice. After discussing Millheim Borough Codified Ordinance Chapter 6-Conduct, Part 2-Discharge of Firearms, Section 203-Exemptions, the Solicitor agreed with Mr. Lesniak's interpretation that the request doesn't meet exceptions #2 and #3. A motion was made by Leslie Warriner and seconded by Marlene Corl to deny the request because it doesn't meet exceptions #2 and #3 of the ordinance Chapter 6, Part 2, Section 203. Motion carried.

The Solicitor reported that the amendment to the Organizational Agreement for the Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency has been approved by all municipalities so the original should be returned with all signatures.

No HARB meeting was held.

EMPLOYEE REPORTS: None

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Planning Commission recommended that Council deny the request for a variance at the Warntz property at the east end of the Borough. A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Marlene Corl to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and deny the variance request for the Warntz property. Motion carried.

Planning Commission recommended that Council approve the 10-year Regional Implementation Status Review for the Penns Valley Regional Comprehensive Plan as presented to Council with the change to Task 15 on page 2 from "No Activity" to "Ongoing". A motion was made by Leslie Warriner and seconded by Ed Bowman to submit to the Regional Planning Commission the 10-year Implementation Status Review as recommended by the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

The consensus of Council was to submit to the Centre County Planning Office for the Economic Development Plan Update the following items: Jobs and Infrastructure.

OLD ACTION:

The brush collection issue was discussed as follows:

- Reviewed policies of other municipalities.
- Possibilities of opening up the dump and charging by the truckload to offset employee costs. Discussed requiring a week notice so a schedule could be established.
- Most municipalities have leaf collection once or twice.

The consensus was for the President and Secretary to meet with the Borough employees to discuss the brush/leaf collection process so a notice can be sent to Borough residents with the necessary information.

NEW ACTION:

A request received from the Little League for the Borough to mow and maintain both ball fields was discussed. In discussing a rate for this work, everyone agreed the idea isn't to make a lot of money but it should cover wear and tear on equipment. A motion was made by Leslie Warriner and seconded by Marlene Corl to charge the Little League an \$800 flat fee for maintenance of both ball fields with the understanding that expenses will be tracked and a refund will be given to the Little League if the costs are less than \$800. Motion carried.

A letter received from the Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture Bike Fresh event was discussed. This letter addresses the problems reported from last year's event. A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Marlene Corl to approve the Bike Fresh event being planned for Sunday, August 3, 2014 contingent upon receipt of the proper Certificate of Liability Insurance and a copy of PennDot's approval. Motion carried.

A request received from the Penns Valley Park and Rec for the Millheim Sprint Triathlon planned for Saturday, June 21, 2014 was discussed. This includes a request for Millheim Fire Police to take care of the Rt. 45 traffic signal from 7:45 a.m. until noon. A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Leslie Warriner to approve the Millheim Sprint Triathlon event as requested contingent on receipt of the proper Certificate of Liability Insurance and a copy of PennDot's approval. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President Ilgen reported on the Energy Committee meeting held on March 21, 2014. Ms. Richards of SEDA-Cog is working to make the energy analysis "no cost" to residents. David Grazier raised some concerns about the Borough's involvement in this type of program.

The Secretary reported that a section of the plaster ceiling fell down in the Artifacts Room. None of the donated items were damaged. President Ilgen will find a contractor to give an estimate to repair this damage.

Leslie Warriner reported that the Downtown Beautification Committee meets Wednesday at Fountain Park at 7:00 p.m. and that the Scouts helped clean the park.

An Employee Meeting will be held on April 18, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Marlene Corl to approve the March budget report as presented. Motion carried.

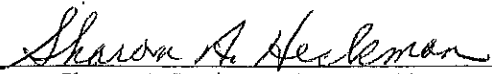
A motion was made by Marlene Corl and seconded by Ed Bowman to accept the March 11, 2014 as presented. Motion carried.

The written report submitted by the Secretary was reviewed and discussed.

President Ilgen reported on his meeting about fire company co-operation. This item will be added to the Regional Planning Commission agenda. He explained this came up when the Ambulance Association reimbursement for workers' compensation was discussed. The Solicitor explained that there is a provision that allows the Borough to pay but since we are not the host municipality the Borough needs an agreement.

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Marlene Corl to accept the Secretary's report. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ed Bowman and seconded by Marlene Corl to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried.


Sharon A. Heckman, Secretary-Treasurer