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REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 2021

Robert Zeigler called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. Council members in attendance: Robert Zeigler, Patty Beckenbaugh and Katie Blume. Also in attendance Denise Immel Borough Secretary/Assistant Treasurer and Sherry Corman Borough Treasurer/Assistant Secretary. Absent Beth Cowher, Steve Myers and Mayor Lauralee Snyder

Citizens Present: none

Katie Blume made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried.

New Action Items:

Roy's retirement proposal/discussion of full time hire.

A proposal was distributed in council packets. Various questions were presented to Mr. Rupert regarding his compensation, part time employee status or independent contractor status. Final decision was table to the May 11, 2021.

With the retirement of Mr. Rupert council will need to make a decision on hiring an additional full time employee.

Resolutions relating to HVAB:

Mr. Zeigler presented 3 resolutions to aid in a grant process thru Happy Valley Adventure Bureau. Katie Blume made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-03, Long Term Economic Growth in Millheim, and 2021-04, Collaboration for Millheim Walkfest in Millheim, after the addition of the clause or combination of local matching dollars and in-kind services, and to adopt Resolution 2021-02, Support of Ferguson Township as presented, seconded by Patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried.

Discussion of letter to Benninghoff referring to recycling funds:

Mr. Zeigler presented a draft letter to Majority Leader Kerry Benninghoff in regards to HB255, moving dedicated funds into the Commonwealths General Fund. This letter states the Millheim Borough cannot support this bill and strongly oppose it. Katie Blume made a request to have all council members and our mayor present to sign the letter. Action table to our May 11, 2021 meeting.

PAMA membership:

Katie Blume made a motion for the borough not to become a member of this organizations as PSAB fulfills our needs, seconded by Patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried.

Request to close Church Street:

A request has been received from David Grubb to close Church Street from East Main Street along property line of 126 East Main Street, on May 8, 2021 from 3 PM to 8 Pm to insure the safety of family

member during a family gathering. Katie Blume made a motion to approve this request seconded by Patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried.

Old Action Items:

Pollinator Update/Omar King Lease:

Mr. King has agreed to spray weed killer and assist with the trimming at the solar array in exchange for being able to use the adjacent property for farming purposes. Katie Blume made a motion for Mr. Miller to draw up a new one year agreement, seconded by Patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried.

Reviewing of employee insurance: no report

A grant of \$300,000.00 has been received from CFA for the purpose of bridge restoration/replacement. The original application was to \$700,000. 00 to be used to replace Plum Street bridge and restore Elk Creek Bridge and Mill Street Bridge. John Segursky is researching if we can accept the grant and focus on just one project. We will also explore other funding options.

Katie Blume made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Patty Beckenbaugh. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 AM.

Denise Immel Secretary/Assistant Treasurer