

BELLE VERNON BOROUGH
March 19, 2024

The regular meeting of the Belle Vernon Council was called to order at 7:00pm on Tuesday, February 20, 2024. Present were Joseph Minniti, Cliff Gorski, Frank Monack, and Mike Amoroso. Also, present was, Mayor Gerald Jackson, Engineers Robert Horvat, Conner Tuttle and Secretary/Treasurer Alison Figueroa.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fred Exley of 35 Wood Street asks what ordinance are we using at this time to enforce blight issues on abandoned properties? He would like to sit down with Council to resolve issues on Blight.

Stephen Amoroso stated that there is an issue on James Street with residents parking on both sides of street and disregarding "no parking" signs which makes the street difficult to plow. Stephen also states that the house located at 22 Grand Street is falling in, and is a safety issue for neighboring property.

Bob Stark, supervisor of Rostraver West Newton Emergency Services asks for any update on the request for funding donation of \$5,120, which is \$5/resident, He says that most municipalities are already locked in and the money will be used for employees and equipment. He also states that residents can pay a yearly membership fee and receive no copay if ambulance service is used. Fee is \$60/individual or \$70/household. If you have household coverage it will also cover anyone who is visiting your house that would require ambulance service.

MINUTES - Motion by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2024 regular meeting. All in favor, Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT - was read by Cliff Gorski with revenues of \$92,296.52 and expenses of \$82,176.74 for January. Motion by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to approve the treasurers report for informational purposes only. All in favor. Roll call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to grant \$5120.00 donation to Rostraver Emergency Services All in favor. Roll call. Motion passed.

Motion by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to pay General Fund expense checks in the amount of \$22,905.27 All in Favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to approve automatic payments in the amount of \$32,835.59 All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to pay \$8,252.66 from the General Fund for payroll. All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to pay PLGIT checks #1210 through #1218 in the total amount of \$10,061.47 All in favor. Joseph Minniti abstains from check #1216. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to pay check #9 out of the Sanitation Fund in the total amount of \$8,121.75. All in favor. Roll Call Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to table Tractor Purchase until the next meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Mike Amoroso to accept Lawns Unlimited Bid for \$18,000.00 to demo 119 Main Street, contingent upon receiving emergency funds from Fayette County. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to obtain bids for security system at the borough garage. All in favor Motion Passed

Motion made by Frank Monack and seconded by Cliff Gorski to set fees for council compensation at \$156 per meeting for council members and \$175 per meeting for the mayor All in favor Motion Passed

Motion made by Frank Monack and seconded by Cliff Gorski to advertise Ordinance for Council Compensation, contingent upon approval from Solicitor. All in favor Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to accept resolution to pay \$205.00 to Mid Mon Valley Transit Authority to match state funds. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to advertise for bids on a new Garbage Hauler. All in favor. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE –

KLH Report

SWRPD Report

MRM Safety Report

Mon Valley Sign Estimate

Pro Waste Sanitation

AGENDA:

Rostraver Emergency Service Funding Request

Tractor Purchase

Determine monthly salary for Council Compensation

Adopt Ordinance for Council Compensation

Advertise Ordinance for Council Compensation

Advertise for New Bids for Garbage Hauler

Mid Mon Valley Transit Authority Resolution

Award Bid for Demo of 119 Main Street

Security Alarm and Camera for Boro Garage

Bids for Electric Sign at Boro Building

MAYORS REPORT Mayor shares that there will be more police checks to slow traffic through town. Easter Egg Hunt is March 23rd, 2024 @ 2pm at Brewer Stadium

STREETS AND SEWERS REPORT –

FINANCE REPORT –

FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS –

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT-

ENGINEERS REPORT –

SOLICITORS REPORT-

TRANSIT AUTHORITY REPORT –

NEW BUSINESS –

Motion made by Cliff Gorski and seconded by Frank Monack to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

ATTEST:

Joseph Minniti, Council President

Alison Figueroa, Borough Secretary

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