

BELLE VERNON BOROUGH
August 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the Belle Vernon Council was called to order at 7:00pm on Tuesday, July 16, 2024. Present were Joseph Minniti, Frank Monack, Laurie Lazzari and Mike Amoroso. Also, present was, Mayor Gerald Jackson, Engineers, Robert Horvat & Conner Tuttle, Solicitor, Krisha DiMascio and Secretary/Treasurer Alison Figueroa.

PUBLIC COMMENT Elina Filander from NBV Library presented the borough with a flash drive of photos from yesteryear mainly of floods and fires from 1941 and school pictures of 1921. She also thanks the borough for their continued support.

John Smelko of 114 Main Street Suite 1, requests parking spaces in front of the building he owns, states that when he purchased the property in 2015, 2 parking spots were included but have since been removed. He would like to either have a handicap spot for residents or create a limited time loading zone. Solicitor states that according to borough code and PennDOT regulations a handicap spot would be a safety issue on a main road, also that it may not be eligible for handicap parking if off street parking is already issued. Council responded that our engineer will look into it and a traffic study will be done and have our solicitor notify Mr. Smelko by letter with findings. John also questions parking behind Maccabee's stating that they park along railroad tracks but other residents are not permitted. Council responds that the property belongs to the railroad.

MINUTES - Motion by Frank Monack and seconded by Mike Amoroso to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2024 regular meeting. All in favor, Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT - was read by Alison Figueroa with revenues of \$50,619.50 and expenses of \$50,239.61 for June. Motion by Frank Monack and seconded by Mike Amoroso to approve the treasurers report for informational purposes only. All in favor. Roll call. Motion passed.

Motion by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Frank Monack to pay General Fund expense checks in the amount of \$21,017.43 All in Favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Frank Monack to approve automatic payments in the amount of \$19,019.38 All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Mike Amoroso to pay \$7213.13 from the General Fund for payroll. All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Mike Amoroso to pay PLGIT checks #1243 through #1248 in the total amount of \$2,989.67 All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Frank Monack and seconded by Laurie Lazzari to accept Winter Maintenance Resolution. All in favor. Roll Call. Motion passed.

Motion made by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Mike Amoroso to accept the Quick Claim Deed Parcel #01-04-0037-01 All in favor. Frank Monack abstains. Motion passed.

Motion made by Laurie Lazzari and seconded by Mike Amoroso to accept the Quick Claim Deed Parcel #01-04-0022-01 All in favor. Frank Monack abstains. Motion Passed

CORRESPONDENCE –

KLH Report

SWRPD

Fire Escrow Ordinance

AGENDA:

KLH Motion to pass resolution for LSA Grant for Veterans Park

Motion to accept Winter Maintenance Resolution

Paper Alleys

Motion for Quick Claim Deed Parcel # 01-04-0037-01

Motion for Quick Claim Deed Parcel # 01-04-0022-01

MAYORS REPORT Mayor applauds Minitti Motorsports on doing a fabulous job planning and carrying out the annual Belle Vernon Block Party that benefits both BV and NBV Fire Dept.

STREETS AND SEWERS REPORT – Mayor states Market Street sidewalks were torn up by gas company and they are required to replace. Also, a resident on Market had an issue with rats and the Street Dept inspected and found holes in the driveway and sidewalk in which they filled in with concrete. Also, for safety reasons, the Street Dept, painted yellow lines around 4th and Wood Street to prevent parking around the curve to give Emergency vehicles better access to assist fires.

FINANCE REPORT –

FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS –

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT-

ENGINEERS REPORT – Motion was made for KLH to pass resolution to submit application for LSA Grant for Veterans Park

SOLICITORS REPORT- Paper Alleys. Krishna states if we do not maintain paper alleys after 21 years they can revert back to owner. Resident will need to present a quick claim deed to council and ownership will be split between residents on each side of alley unless one resident owns property on both sides it will be granted to one owner. A slight increase on the property tax will occur. Krishna also states she will look into Fire Escrow Ordinance.

TRANSIT AUTHORITY REPORT –

NEW BUSINESS – Armory Locksmiths will be installing new cameras for the security system this week.

Motion made by Frank Monack and seconded by Laurie Lazzari to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

ATTEST:

Joseph Minniti, Council President

Alison Figueroa, Borough Secretary

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