

# **Richland Borough Council Meeting Minutes**

**April 3, 2018**

**(Recording A 09)**

**Present:** Dennis Seldomridge, Jim Niethammer, Kelly Bricker, Larry Hartman, Mark Brubaker, Mayor Ray Shanaman, Attorney Chris Coyle (in the absence of Tom Harlan)

**Absent:** Matt Johnson, Travis Randler

President Seldomridge called the **Richland Borough Council Meeting** to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Seldomridge asked for a motion to approve the **March 2018** minutes. Kelly Bricker made a motion to approve the March 2018 minutes, submitted by Borough Secretary Perri Shanaman; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

## **Citizen's Comments:**

Kevin Bricker stated he lives at 14 W Main Street and he wanted to speak, to the council, about the packet they had received, regarding the illegal business he was running out of his home. He stated he merely stores his equipment at his residence; he does not operate his business there nor does he meet any clients at his residence. President Seldomridge stated the matter has been turned over to the Code Enforcement Officer and Lebanon Planning and Zoning for review.

Caleb Voydik questioned the appeal on the Zoning Board Duck Hearing. President Seldomridge stated the borough is appealing the Zoning Board decision.

Jay Horst informed the borough council he had purchased the old Leffler building and wanted to come to council meeting, as a courtesy, to inform them he would be moving his construction business and rental business to the building. He hopes to get several other businesses to lease the remainder of the building.

## **Communications:**

President Seldomridge informed the borough council they had received notification, from Spitler, Kilgore and Enck, stating the proposal for addition to an agricultural security area, filed with and approved by the borough, by S Cleason Nolt and Mary Joyce Nolt, for 34 Acres that lie

entirely within the Richland Borough, has now been added to the Millcreek Township Agricultural Security Area.

The borough received an email from the Mosquito Borne Disease Program Coordinator, of the Penn State Extension Office, stating no residents, from Richland, pre-registered for the tire collection. Therefore, \$100 is allocated to Richland residents to bring tires in free of charge. After \$100 worth of tires are brought in, the remaining residents must pay for the disposal of their tires.

Eagle Disposal notified the borough they collected **4.22 Tons of recycling** the month of **March**.

### **Invoices:**

President Seldomridge stated Jim Niethammer had reviewed the invoices, submitted for payment by Borough Secretary Perri Shanaman, and found them to be in order. Kelly Bricker made a motion to pay all the invoices submitted for payment; Mark Brubaker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

### **Financial Report:**

Jim Niethammer made a motion to approve the Financial Report, submitted by Gift Associates; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Water Committee** – Committee Chairman, Jim Niethammer, stated the committee met on 3/26, along with CJ. The DEP, DRBC and the Bog Turtle Study have all been approved to move forward with the testing of the well. CJ will contact the neighbors, for their approval of the testing. Mr. Hogland is allowing the borough to release the water onto his property. 300-350 gallons per minute will be released, over a 72 hour period. There is to be no rain, within 48 hrs, of the test.

**Highway Committee** – Committee Chairman Larry Hartman stated the gentleman on Church Street, who publicly complained, but never called into the office, or personally appeared at the office to complain, about getting water in his basement, due to the tar and chipping job done last summer; the water in his basement is not coming from the tar and chipping job and the cinders that appear on his sidewalk are from the winter plowing and cindering of the street.

**Property Committee** – Committee Chairman Kelly Bricker reported she is working on the swimming pool issue with Solicitor Tom Harlan. The roof is now off part of the building.

**Finance Committee** – Nothing to report

**Safety Committee** – Nothing to report.

### **Reports:**

**Road Supervisor's Report** –Larry Hartman made a motion to accept the Road Supervisor's Report, submitted by Road Supervisor Dwight Belleman; Mark Brubaker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

**Office Report** – Kelly Bricker made a motion to approve the Office Report, submitted by Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman; Jim Niethammer seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

**Code Enforcement Report** – Mark Brubaker made a motion to approve the March Code Enforcement Report, submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Bob Rittle; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

**Police Report** – Larry Hartman made a motion to approve the **March 2018** PA State Police Report; Jim Niethammer seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

**MRJA Report** – was made available for review. Jim Niethammer made a motion to accept the MRJA Report; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. President Seldomridge announced the electric panel has been updated and they are ready to move forward with the lighting and the walls. Kelly Bricker made a motion to move forward with the remainder of the remodeling; Larry Hartman seconded the motion. Motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. President Seldomridge stated last year's playground director, and assistant, are willing to come back again this year. The director suggested having playground open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, hoping they would have more children if they are open less days. Myerstown is doing the same thing this year. After discussion, Larry Hartman made a motion to have the Playground open Monday, Wednesday and Friday and also give the returning playground employees a \$.25/hour raise; Jim Niethammer seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
2. The president asked for a motion to approve the **First Reading and Advertising** of the **Amendment to Ordinance #220**, which is an amendment defining the definition of customary household pets. Kelly Bricker made the motion to approve the First Reading and Advertising of the Amendment to Ordinance #220; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

3. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to approve the **First Reading and Advertising** of the **Amendment to the Peddler's Ordinance #232**. Mark Brubaker made the motion to approve the First Reading and Advertising of the Amendment to the Peddler's Ordinance #232; Jim Niethammer seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.
4. President Seldomridge stated the **2017 Audit Draft**, submitted by Garcia, Garmen and Shea, was made available to each council member in their meeting packet.

President Seldomridge asked several latecomers to the meeting if they had any comments. They stated they did not.

The president asked if there were any other comments for the good of the Borough.

Since there were no comments, the president asked for a motion to adjourn. Jim Niethammer made the motion to adjourn; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Respectfully submitted by:

Perri Shanaman

Borough Secretary