

Richland Borough Council Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2017

(Recording A 02)

Present: Dennis Seldomridge, Matt Johnson, Larry Hartman, Kelly Bricker, John Mueller, Mayor Ray Shanaman, Solicitor Tom Harlan

Absent: Jim Niethammer, Travis Randler

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

The president asked for a motion to approve the **November 2017** minutes. Matt Johnson made a motion to approve the November 2017 minutes, submitted by Borough Secretary Perri Shanaman; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Citizen's Comments:

There were no Citizen's Comments.

Communications:

1. The borough received a **check for \$406.91, from the PA State Police**, for fines.
2. Gift CPA's sent the borough notification they are having an Open House, at their new location at 101 W Main Avenue, Myerstown, Dec 14 from 3-5 PM.
3. The PA Dept of Community and Economic Development sent the borough notification the **Uniform Construction Code permit fee** was recently increased **from \$4.00 to \$4.50**.
4. Anthony Tomeo acquired a Building Permit for a detached garage at 210 E Main Street.
5. Eagle Disposal reported they collected **6.79 Tons of Recycling** the month of **October**.
6. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to **renew the contract with the Human Society for \$180/year**. Kelly Bricker made the motion to renew the contract with the Humane Society; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
7. **United Way** announced they have a new **2-1-1 Program** to receive free, 24/7 non-emergency information in Lebanon County from a live call specialist.
8. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to approve Hubert Risser and Maybelle Morgan staying on the MRJA Board. Matt Johnson made the motion to approve Hubert

Risser and Maybelle Morgan remaining on the MRJA Board; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Invoices:

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

Financial Report:

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

Committee Reports:

Water Committee – Dwight Belleman reported the mixer is in. The reservoir and the tank are cleaned. CJ is waiting for the pump test, probably in the spring because the ground must be thawed for the test.

Highway Committee – Nothing to report

Property Committee – Nothing to report

Finance Committee – Nothing to report

Safety Committee – Nothing to report.

Reports:

Road Supervisor's Report – Kelly Bricker made a motion to accept the Road Supervisor's Report, submitted by Road Supervisor Dwight Belleman; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes. Kelly Bricker asked the Road Supervisor if the blank post, across from her home, could be removed. Dwight told her they would attempt to burn it off.

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

Code Enforcement Report – There was no Code Enforcement Report submitted because the officer's computer crashed and all his records are on it. It is at ELCO Computers for repair.

Police Report –Matt Johnson made a motion to approve the **October and November 2017 PA State Police Report**; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

MRJA Report – The October and November Reports were made available for review

OLD BUSINESS:

President Seldomridge asked for a motion to pass the **Second Reading of Ordinance #384 prohibiting parking in reserved handicap areas** and stating the fines for violations. Larry Hartman made a motion to pass the second reading of Ordinance #384; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to accept the **2018 General Funds Budget of \$595,006.00**. Larry Hartman made a motion to accept the General Funds Budget of \$595,006.00; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
2. The president asked for a motion to accept the **2018 Highway Funds Budget of \$48,811.51**. Kelly Bricker made a motion to accept the 2018 Highway Funds Budget of \$48,811.51; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.
3. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to accept the **2018 Fire Tax Budget of \$30,000.00**. Larry Hartman made a motion to accept the Fire Tax Budget of \$30,000.00; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
4. The president asked for a motion to accept the **2018 Water Account Budget of \$345,050.00**. Matt Johnson made the motion to approved the water account budget of \$345,050.00; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
5. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to approve the **2018 Total Budget of \$1,018,867.51**. Matt Johnson made the motion to approve the 2018 Total Budget of \$1,018,867.51; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.
6. The president asked for a motion to accept the **2018 Act 511 Taxes of \$5.00 per capita**. Kelly Bricker made the motion to accept the Act 511 Taxes of \$5.00 per capita; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
7. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to accept the **2018 Realty Transfer Tax of 1%**. Larry Hartman made a motion to accept the 2018 Realty Transfer Tax of 1%; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
8. The president asked for a motion to approve **Ordinance #385** for the **2018 Tax Rate of 2.49 Mills** and a **Fire Tax of .3 mills**. Matt Johnson made the motion to approve

Ordinance #385; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

9. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to approve the **2018 Borough Council Meetings**, as advertised in the Lebanon Daily News. Kelly Bricker made the motion to approve the 2018 Borough Council Meetings, as advertised; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.
10. The president asked for a motion to approve the **2018 Planning Workshops** to be held the **third Tuesday of each month at 6 pm**, as needed; as advertised in the Lebanon Daily News. Larry Hartman made the motion to approve the 2018 Planning Workshop Meetings, as advertised; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.
11. President Seldomridge asked for a motion to pass **Resolution #289** to prohibit gambling in the borough, **per PA Legislative Act 42** authorizing a municipality to **prohibit a Category 4 casino** to be located within its municipality. Kelly Bricker made the motion to pass Resolution #289; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with a show of hands from all members present.
12. President Seldomridge acknowledged and thanked John Mueller for his 12 years of service, as a member of Borough Council, since this was his last meeting in office.
13. Kelly Bricker brought up the issue of cleaning out the state road storm drains. Discussion followed but no decisions were made.

President Seldomridge asked if there were any comments for the good of the Borough.

Since there were no comments, President Seldomridge asked for a motion to adjourn. Larry Hartman made the motion to adjourn; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Respectfully submitted by:

Perri Shanaman

Borough Secretary