

Richland Borough Council Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2017

(Recording A 22)

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

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

President Seldomridge then turned the meeting over to Vice President, Jim Niethammer, due to health reasons.

Vice President Niethammer asked for a motion to approve the January 2017 minutes. Kelly Bricker made a motion to approve the January minutes, submitted by Borough Secretary Perri Shanaman; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with everyone voting yes.

Citizen's Comments:

There were no citizen's comments.

Communications:

1. VP Niethammer stated the borough received a notice, from Penn DOT, with information and an application for any events having a banner across a state road.
2. Received notification from PA One Call requesting April as PA 811 Safe Digging Month
3. The Lebanon Zoning Board sent us an Annual Report
4. Feb 25, 9-11 AM, our local representative, Russ Diamond, will be holding a Concealed Gun Seminar if anyone wishes to attend
5. The Lebanon County Conservation Department is having a Spring Tree and Plant Sale May 4.

Invoices:

VP Niethammer stated he had reviewed the invoices, prior to meeting, submitted for payment by Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman, and found them to be in order. Dennis Seldomridge made a

motion to pay all the invoices submitted for payment; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.

Financial Report:

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

Committee Reports:

Water Committee – The committee reported they continue to be in the process of getting permits for the new well

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 – VP Niethammer questioned the quote the borough received from CM High to replace the lights on the building, as well as the basketball court area. Dwight Belleman reported all the lights will now be LED. Larry Hartman made a motion to accept the Road Supervisor's Report, and move forward with the replacement of the lights, submitted by Road Supervisor Dwight Belleman; Travis Randler seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

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

Code Enforcement Report – No report

Police Report –Matt Johnson made a motion to accept the December State Police Report, submitted by the Jonestown Barracks of the PA State Police; Kelly Bricker seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

MRJA Report – Was made available for review

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Vice President Niethammer informed the borough council Steckbeck Engineering submitted a 45 page application, for a waiver, for the MS4 Stormwater Permit. The document is available for review by anyone wishing to see it. As a result of the document Steckbeck Engineering submitted, the borough received notification, from DEP, they

may be eligible for a waiver.

2. The Road Supervisor reported, upon further investigation of the spraying of the gypsy moth on our mountain property, it would not be worthwhile to go spend the \$10,000 to spray our land for gypsy moth because:
 - He checked with Womelsdorf/Robeson Water Co, who spent a large amount of money a number of years ago and it killed what was there, but there was no residual
 - Will cause potential drinking water issues
 - No benefit because the surrounding areas are not spraying and our money would be wasted spraying our area only

NEW BUSINESS:

VP Niethammer asked for a motion to pass **Resolution #285** amending the payment of fines for violators of various ordinances of the Richland Borough, and authorizing the borough to advertise the proposed changes. Larry Hartman made a motion to **pass Resolution #285**; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.

VP Niethammer reminded the council about the ELCO Baseball Teams needing a storage area, for their supplies. After considering various areas that would have to be constructed for the storage area, he announced Dwight and John contacted Myerstown Sheds for a price on a 4X4 Shed. They were given a price of \$450. Larry Hartman made a motion to purchase the shed for the ELCO Teams' storage and move forward with any permits required; Dennis Seldomridge seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes. It was also stated the Legion may be willing to contribute towards the storage shed. Someone from borough council will speak to them about it.

President Seldomridge asked if the council is in agreement to have the playground again this Summer? If so, the same personnel would like to be re-hired. He stated he felt the personnel did a good job last summer. After discussion, Dennis Seldomridge made a motion to have Summer Playground, in the borough, again this summer and re-hire the same personnel; Larry Hartman seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members voting yes.

VP Niethammer asked if there were any comments for the good of the borough.

Since there were no comments, Larry Hartman made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Travis Randler seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Respectfully submitted by:

Perri Shanaman

Borough Secretary

