Richland Borough Council Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2016

(Recording A 05)

Present: Larry Hartman, Matt Johnson, John Mueller, Travis Randler, Mayor Ray Shanaman **Absent:** Dennis Seldomridge, Jim Niethammer, Dan Auman, Solicitor Tom Harlan

President Pro Tem Larry Hartman called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr. Hartman asked for a motion to approve the February 2, 2016 Borough Council Meeting Minutes, submitted by Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman. John Mueller made a motion to accept the minutes; Travis Randler seconded the motion; motion was carried with all members present voting yes.

Citizen's Comments:

Mike Layser asked if the council is going to address the excessive stone situation on Elm Street. Discussion followed. Road Supervisor, Dwight Belleman, apologized for the excessive stone situation and stated they will instruct the street sweeper to take extra efforts with the Elm Street area, in May, when they do their street sweeping.

Andy Voydik stated some storm drains contain a lot of debris on top – gave examples of two in front of the legion and one near the Railroad Diner at the side street. Discussion followed.

Michelle Voydik questioned if the planning meetings have been advertised and, if so, when. Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman, stated the meetings were advertised at the same time as the 2016 Monthly Borough Council Meetings and the ad states the planning meetings will be held the third Tuesday of each month, AS NEEDED. Ms. Voydik further questioned the terms of the present Richland Zoning Board. Perri Shanaman, Borough Secretary, stated she has the terms in a file in her office.

Communications:

Mr. Hartman notified the borough council they had received notification, from Penn DOT, the borough would be receiving a check for **\$43,852.61** for the Liquid Fuels Fund.

He also stated the borough had received a thank you, and a Certificate of Participation, for the Young Lungs at Play Program.

The Richland Borough also received notification from the PA Liquor Control Board of a \$250 check, which the borough would receive, due to funds collected from the American Legion and George Savich Enterprises.

Invoices:

Mr. Hartman announced Matt Johnson had reviewed the invoices presented for payment; Matt found them all to be in order. Travis Randler made a motion to approve all the invoices submitted for payment; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

Mr. Hartman asked for a motion to approve the Gift Associates Report. Travis Randler made a motion to approve the report; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

Committee Reports:

Water Committee – nothing to report Highway Committee – nothing to report Property Committee – nothing to report Finance Committee – nothing to report Safety Committee – nothing to report

Road Supervisor's Report – Travis Randler made a motion to approve the Road Supervisor's Report, submitted by Road Supervisor Dwight Belleman; Matt Johnson seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

Office Report –John Mueller questioned one item on the report – the RTK request from American Transparency of Boca Raton, FL. He asked what interest they would have in Richland, PA. Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman, stated she wondered the same thing but, upon contacting the PA Open Records Office, learned that anyone in the US can submit a RTK request to any municipality within the US. John Mueller made a motion to approve the Office Report, submitted by Borough Secretary, Perri Shanaman; Travis Randler seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

Code Enforcement Report –Road Supervisor Dwight Belleman mentioned there are trailers illegally parked on North Race Street, South Park Street and also out in Richland Heights. He asked the Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Arnold, to check on them. Matt Johnson made a motion to approve the Code Enforcement Report, submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Jeff Arnold; John Mueller seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

Police Report – According to the PA State Police Report, there were 10 incidents, in the Borough of Richland, in February. Matt Johnson made a motion to approve the PA State Police Report; Travis Randler seconded the motion; motion was carried with all council members present voting yes.

MRJA Report – no report this month because MRJA meets Monday, March 7, which is after Richland Borough's Council Meeting.

Zoning – nothing to report

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Mr. Hartman asked if there are any comments for the good of the Borough.

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

Respectfully submitted by:

Perri Shanaman

Borough Secretary