

May 13, 2021

A regular meeting of the Council of the Borough of Trainer was held over the phone through a call-in service with Vice President Beck calling the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The meeting was vis Zoom due to COVID19.

PRESENT

Mayor Frances Zalewski, Vice President Jean Beck, Councilpersons John Mathews, Jim Cassidy, Awilda Burgos, Jenn Frazier, Tim Horgan
Manager Mark Possenti, Engineer Eileen Nelson, Mike Sheridan

ABSENT

President Greg Miley

MINUTES

The minutes of the April Council meeting were motioned for approval by Councilperson Cassidy to accept and seconded by Councilperson Burgos. No opposition. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

It was motioned by Councilperson Cassidy and seconded by Councilperson Mathews that the correspondence for April be accepted and any necessary action taken. No opposition. Motion carried.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE ON CORRESPONDENCE None

ANY MATTERS THAT NEED COUNCILMANIC ACTION: A motion was made to approve the purchase of PPE equipment such as braces, eye protection, etc. for the highway department.

*Bill Scharfenberg spoke in regards to the Adelphia pipeline project. Stating converting the pipeline to gas and building a new lateral. Informed of temporary lane changes on Ridge Rd. during the project work. Eileen stated she had some concerns in regards to traffic. She stated Council was not in favor of the Ridge Rd. lane diet from PennDot and just wanted to make sure Council was fully aware of the temporary changes.

MANAGER/FINANCE

Mark Possenti:

- Gave an update on the Covid guidelines. Announced select locations have the Pfizer vaccine available to children over 12 years old.
- Called for a motion to approve the paid April expenses for General, Recreation and Liquid Fuels Funds in the amount of \$ 141,623.23 which were provided for inspection. Expenses are filed in the Secretary's office where they can be requested to view.
- Called for a motion to approve the paid Payroll for the month of April in the amount of \$91,307.80 which was provided for inspection.
- Received the commitment letter from Republic Bank. The loan term is for 25 years at a 2.95% interest rate for the first 10 years then a fixed floating rate. Mike Sheridan stated that approval from the states is required to incur the debt. Explained it must be adopted through an Ordinance and advertise a notice of intent to incur the debt. Council must take action within 3 – 30 days and requested to have a Special meeting next Thursday.

- VP Beck asked Mark about a legislative update for America rescue funds. They are government funds that the Borough should receive to be used for infrastructure. We will receive 50% of the funds this year and 50% next year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR /POLICE

Mayor Zalewski: No report

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT/GRANTS

Councilman Jim Cassidy: Stated that he reached out to Opportunity zone and reached out to the chamber of Commerce but hasn't gotten a response back. Reported on the Mobile Home Park which Eileen Nelson stated their conditional use hearing is coming up and things are moving forward. Questioned the retaining wall at Ridge Rd. and the grass being covered with stone at the end. Eileen Nelson will find out about a possible conflict with the contractor and Peco in regards to the gas line.

HIGHWAY/BUILDINGS

Councilman Mathews: Stated there has been some maintenance needs with the tractors. Park doors will be picked up and the electrical work will be getting started. Looking into prices for a new zero turn tractor and push mower.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Councilman Tim Horgan: Stated he was removing Karen Cassidy from the Board of Health and Marcia Kline was appointed secretary. New playground signs are done. Stated there is a water problem from a front yard on Chestnut St. running off onto the neighboring property. Also inquired about the Tattoo parlor trash disposal and whether they need a dumpster. There is also an issue with 3rd and Clayton being a drop zone for trash.

PUBLIC SAFETY/FIRE

Councilwoman Beck:

- Read April Code enforcement report (attached)
- Read April fire report (attached)

PARKS/ENVIRONMENT

Councilman Miley: No report

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Councilwoman Burgos: Announced her office still has Johnson & Johnson vaccines available for anyone seeking to have it. Call her to schedule.

RECREATION/NEWSLETTERS

Councilwoman Jenn Frazier: Stated the Taco Fest was a success. Upcoming are this Saturday a creek clean-up with Marcus Hook then flower planting in the park, Memorial Day service, June 5th Penny Party. We will be participating in the Marcus Hook Memorial Day parade. Asked about get estimates to fence in the 3rd St. playground.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Charley Remaley: No report

TAX COLLECTOR

Mark Possenti: April tax collected was \$271,800.97 and trash fees collected were 5,425.00. Outstanding taxes are \$227,252.62 and trash is \$28,125.00.

Need a motion to approve a deposit of \$61,577.49 into the General fund.

ENGINEER

Eileen Nelson: See report attached.

SOLICITOR

Mike Sheridan stated:

- Councilwoman Frazier would like to circulate a letter to residents in regards to damages by a child to the playground areas to hold them accountable and why. Mike explained the statutes involved. Needs a motion to approve.
- Presented an update to the HJ Park rental application to require a deposit. There have been issues with renter not showing up at the time of their application. The Borough would have the right to keep the security deposit in these cases. A motion is needed to approve the changes.
- Need a motion to adopt Resolution 1061 Award contract to JJ Dougherty for the Municipal Complex site work.
- Need a motion to appoint new members to the Zoning Hearing Board.

ORDINANCES

- None

RESOLUTIONS

- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to adopt Resolution 1061 Award contract to JJ Dougherty for the Municipal Complex site work and seconded by Councilperson Burgos. Councilperson Cassidy opposed. Motion carried.

OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- A motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to approve the purchase of PPE equipment. for the highway department and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Councilperson Cassidy to approve the paid April bills for General, Recreation and Liquid Fuels Funds in the amount of \$141,623.23 and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion made by Councilperson Cassidy to approve the paid Payroll for the month of April in the amount of \$91,307.80 and seconded by Councilperson Burgos. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to authorize a tax collector deposit for April collections to the general fund in the amount of \$61,577. and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. No opposition. Motion carried
- Motion was made by Councilperson Frazier to advertise the notice of intent to consider Ordinance 769 to incur debt and seconded by Councilperson Mathews. Councilperson Cassidy opposed. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Mathews to advertise for Special meeting to be held on May 20, 2021 at 7pm to consider Ordinance 769 to incur debt and seconded by Councilperson Horgan. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to approve circulating a letter to residents in regards to damages by a child to the playground areas to hold them accountable and why under the state statutes and seconded by Councilperson Burgos. No opposition. Motion carried.

- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to approve the changes to HJ Park rental application requiring a security deposit in the event the renter does not show up in a timely manner and seconded by Councilperson Burgos. No opposition. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Councilperson Cassidy to appoint new members, Jerry Guglielmi, Charles Brogley and Mike Irwin as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board and seconded by Councilperson Frazier. No opposition. Motion carried.

OLD COUNCILMANIC BUSINESS

None

NEW COUNCILMANIC BUSINESS

None

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

Enyotta Watkins 3rd St. – Stated she was contacted by Faith King soliciting votes for the election and she did not appreciate the numerous contacts and calls late at night.

Marilyn Maher, Price St. – Mentioned there is a lot of flowing water and puddling on Price and 9th St. Also concern of the dip in the road at 13th and Langley.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Beck called for a motion to adjourn at 8:59 pm; Councilperson Cassidy made the motion to adjourn. Councilperson Horgan seconded the motion. No opposition. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Orlando
Borough Secretary

TRAINER BOROUGH - ENGINEER'S REPORT

- **Buckley Cable – 9th Street and Price Street Improvements**

We inspected the site on March 25th. The construction is substantially complete and we will perform a follow-up inspection upon the contractor's notification the project is 100% complete. NO CHANGE

- **Buckley Cable – Nealy Boulevard**

We reviewed the permit requirements with Charley Remaley for his issuance of a Soil Erosion Permit.

- **Monroe Energy**

Monroe advised PennDOT has issued a conditional permit for the new driveway. Once they meet the conditions, they will provide an updated schedule for the work. We are also in receipt of plans and a modification to the NPDES permit application for several areas on the site to pave a parking lot, construct new Cooling Towers and provide for soil borrow and laydown areas. We have them under review.

- **Erosion Ridge Road**

MOR advised they completed the several areas requiring backfill and placed the stone within the vegetated area behind the wall. They informed our office they were advised by Councilman Mathews the asphalt berm is not needed.

- **Adelphia Cable Pipeline**

We reviewed the Adelphia Agreements and exhibits, responded to the Solicitor and participated in a Teams call regarding changes to Maintenance and Protection of Traffic (MPT). We provided a summary of the proposed lane restrictions for discussion with Council at tonight's meeting.

- **Dawes Court Erosion**

We spoke to the property Owner for Buckman Village who questioned their responsibility to address the erosion. DELCORA advised they reviewed the site and have no immediate concerns regarding the integrity of their sanitary sewer system. However, they are planning to install gabions (wirework container filled with rock) along the eroded areas of the creek bank in the future. We will inform Council once DELCORA has a schedule for this work.

- **MS4 Program**

- **Henry Johnson Park– Creek Erosion**

- We need to provide notice of the change to comply with PADEP's requirements for the change in location. In progress.

We also completed the screening of the several remaining outfalls required to be done during this permit cycle and completed the remaining annual site observations of the BMP stormwater facilities.

- **4011 Township Line Road**

We are awaiting paperwork regarding the easement and force main for permitting for connection into the DELCORA owned sanitary sewer in Roseanna Court. NO CHANGE

- **2021 County Aid**

We coordinated with the Borough Secretary and submitted the 2021 County Aid Application through DotGrants. We encourage the Borough to consider a project in 2021 where both the 2020 and 2021 funding can be used.

- **Eske Developers, LLC - Nealy Blvd. (McCarthy Tire)**

The developer contacted us and advised they would like to close the project and have any funds that may be remaining in the escrow account returned. We discussed and reviewed escrow account information with the Borough Secretary who mentioned she will confirm the account balance. The \$2,289.00 Stormwater fund is to remain in the Borough's account and used for our annual site observations of the stormwater management system required for the MS4 program. We reviewed information from the Solicitor.

We are reviewing the as-builts received from the project engineer. All other punch-list items have been satisfactorily addressed.

We confirmed the deficiencies with the stormwater management system we observed during our Annual stormwater O&M Inspections as noted in our letter of September 21, 2020 have been satisfactorily addressed.

- **Flood Mitigation**

I received a response from Justin Miller of the Army Corps of Engineers about the possibility of them providing assistance for the area of Marcus Hook below Main Street for both Borough Hall and the residential properties adjacent. His initial reaction was that the area seemed re: Flood Mitigation and review info provided re: potential programs. He provided documentation of their programs which are under review. **(ongoing)**

- **Parkview Mobil Home Park**

Our comments for the review of the Land Development application plans and documents are noted in our letter dated May 13, 2021. The applicant's engineer suggested the required Conditional Use Hearing be scheduled after we have completed our first review.

- **Chestnut Street Improvements**

Required field survey work will be scheduled in the coming weeks.

- **FY 2019 CDBG – 10th Street Improvements**

The One-Year Warranty / Guarantee period expires on June 14, 2021. We are requesting Council to advise if they are aware on any items they believe the contractor should address. We will review the site if requested by Council.

Monthly Report – April 2021

Charles Remaley – Code Enforcement

Building Permits Issued - 12

Commercial – 3

Residential - 7

Street Opening – 2

Certificates of Occupancy Permits Issued – 21

Sales - 2

Conditional Sales - 0

Rentals – 19

Re inspection – 0

Temporary Structure- 0

Contractor License Issued – 0

Total for 2021- 39

Zoning Permits - 1

Residential – 1

Commercial –0

Portable Structures -0

Property Maintenance – Violation Notices & Citation Warnings & Citations

Violation Notices

1217 Anderson Ave. – Citation Warning, Animal feces in yard.

4504 Post Rd. – Partial roof blown off house.

4210 W 7th St. – Vacant property violations.

3414 W 4th St. – Trailer parked on Public Street.

3326 W 3rd St. – Code Violation of trash rear yard.

4039 W 7th St. – Accumulation of trash rear yard.

4039 W 7th St. – TV placed out for trash pick-up.

4300 W 9th St. – Oil spill, Lot 58 maintenance advised.

4300 W 9th St. – Oil spill, Jim Horan from DEP notified on clean up by Serv Pro.

1203 Chestnut St. – Yard debris placed out for trash pick-up not bundled.

4003 Township Line Rd. – Stop work order posted, construction not meeting approved plans.

1363 Price St. – Trash in rear of property, high grass, weeds, over grown vegetation.

4426 Post Rd. – Excessive Police call notification.

1000 Sunset St. – Excessive Police call notification.

4041 W 7th St. – Mattress out for trash pick-up not bagged.

929 Chestnut St.–Citation Warning, no Vacant Property Registration.

4328 Ridge Rd. – Citation Warning, no Vacant Property Registration.

MARCUS HOOK TRAINER FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY REPORT

APRIL, 2021

INCIDENT TYPE	# INCIDENTS
Building fire	2
Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire confined	1
Trash or rubbish fire, contained	1
Passenger vehicle fire	2
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire	1
Medical assist, assist EMS crew	4
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	4
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	1
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	2
Power line down	1
Animal rescue	1
Assist police or other governmental agency	2
Public service	1
Unauthorized burning	1
Cover assignment, standby, moveup	9
Dispatched & cancelled en route	4
Smoke scare, odor of smoke	2
HazMat release investigation w/no HazMat	2
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1
CO detector activation due to malfunction	1
Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	1
TOTAL INCIDENTS:	44

IN TOWN CALLS: 28 CALLS

OUT OF TOWN 16 CALLS:

CALLS FROM 6AM-6PM: 19

CALLS FROM 6PM-6AM: 25

TOP RUNNER FOR THE MONTH: SLAYDE TURNER WITH 36 CALLS

REPORTING OFFICER: KENNY SMITH JR. DEPT. CHIEF.