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Council Meeting Minutes
08 Aug 2017

President Joseph Sain called the August regular meeting of the Matamoras Borough Council to order at 1930 hrs. on Tuesday, 08 August in the Borough Hall, 10 Avenue I, Matamoras, PA.

Attendance:

Sain	P	Losse	P	Hamill	P	Fire	A
Sigreto	P	Madsen	P	Myer	P	EPRPD	A
Clark	P	Rose	P	Drake	A	Recreation	A
Greiner	P	Clark, J	P	EMA	A	Fitch	P

Prior to Public Comment, President Sain went around the table and asked if any council members had items to add to the agenda. The following items were added to the agenda; dates for the 2018 Budget Workshops, Wednesday, 11, 17 & if needed 25 Oct in the Borough Hall from 1900 to 2030 hrs.

1. Public Comment: (When recognized by the President, please state your name and address for the minutes.)

- 1) **Helen Gassmann** - 904 Avenue L – Reported after speaking to Pat Cordova the new sign at the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Ninth Street had the word “poop” removed.
- 2) **John Dalton** – Westfall Twp. noted the Matamoras sign on the old Citizen’s Bank property was leaning.

2. Consent Agenda - Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Rose/Madsen passed with unanimous consent

- 1) **Approval of minutes:** 11 & 25 Apr 17
- 2) **Approval of Treasurer’s report:** April 17
- 3) **Approval of bills.**

3. Reports:

- a) **Mayor** – Reported on a good meeting with the Lt. Governor for coffee to discuss what he could do to help. Messieurs Clark and Sigreto were members of the Borough contingent. They showed the Lt. Gov. Airport Park and Firefly Field.
- b) **Jr. Councilwomen** – No Report.
- c) **General Government** – No Report
- d) **Fire** – No report.
- e) **Public Works and Facilities** – Mr. Greiner reviewed the activities for the month. Mr. Greiner reported on repairs to the firehouse, that he is working with an engineer on the design of a new septic for the firehouse. The septic design should be completed and ready to bid within two weeks. Report on File
- f) **Finance** – Pete Sigreto reported taxes are coming at a good pace, almost 99% of projected revenues. Budget numbers are due to Mr. Sigreto by 1 Oct 17.
- g) **EPRPD** – Report on File.
- h) **Recreation** – Mr. Clark reported the following: PAYAL practice has started; we will be receiving a \$2,500 grant from Lowes to establish a picnic area inside Firefly Field; Tuesday Tunes are continuing through the end of August; the Rec. Board is actively seeking field sponsors for 2018 and Pike County 4H did a four-day Science Camp at the park and will be doing a Solar Eclipse event on 21 Aug in the park.
- i) **Fire Chief** – No Report

- j) **EMA** – Mr. Sigreto reported the work on repairing the emergency sirens is complete, four were repaired at a cost of approximately \$8,000. During testing last Friday, one of the repaired sirens went down.

4. **Correspondence** – On File

- 5. **Unfinished Business: Motion** by Rose/Sigreto to appoint Jeff Lawler to the Zoning Hearing Board, Passed without dissent.

6. **New Business**

- 1. **Motion** by Clark/Rose to accept Ami Greiner’s resignation from the Recreation Advisory Board with regrets. Passed with Madsen dissenting.
- 2. **Motion** by Rose/Greiner to approve lot combination for Human Resources Center, Tenth Street, Lots #5 & #7. Passed without dissent.
- 3. **Motion** by Clark/Losee to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check for \$969.30 to Pike County to cover the engineering costs from the declined grant to place a generator at the Hope Church. Passed with Sigreto dissenting.
- 4. The Secretary has begun work for the 2020 US Census.
- 5. **Motion** by Rose/Losee to extend the Solloway lease for an additional 20 years. During discussions, it was stated that the building needs major repairs and the bank would not approve a loan with the parking area secured for the length of the loan. Passed without dissent.
- 6. **Motion** by Greiner/Rose to approve EPRPF request to hold a 3D archery shoot in the Benekill area on Saturday 09 Sep 17. Passed without dissent.
- 7. **Motion** by Clark/Rose to authorize the Solicitor to enter into an agreement with Wayne Bank to issue an unsecured Letter of Credit for \$77,150 to PennDOT for Highway Occupancy Permits for the Pennsylvania Avenue Sidewalk Project. The Letter will be inforce for three years with a cost of \$4879.00. During discussions, it was suggested that once the letter was secured that Mr. Clark have our state senator and representative make an appeal to PennDOT to release the Letter A.S.A.P. Passed without dissent.
- 8. Mr. Rose commented that the Borough should pass an ordinance making it illegal to blow grass clipping onto the street. Mr. Rose stated this creates a dangerous hazard for bikers and motor cyclists.

There being no further business to discuss, President Sain adjourned the meeting at 1959 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Fitch
Borough Secretary