

The Duncansville Borough Council meeting was held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Duncansville Community Center

Attendance Eric Fritz, Mayor
Dave Smith, President
Dave Shaw, Vice President
Cindy Blontz, Pro Tem
Donnie Detrick, Council Member
Jeanette Mills, Council Member

Dave Smith opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and roll call by the Borough Secretary

Donnie Detrick made a motion to approve the Council minutes held on June 8, 2020. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Dave Shaw made a motion to accept the Duncansville Municipal Authority minutes held on June 4, 2020. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Visitors: James Batzel, Guy H Leonard, Guy E Leonard, Chelsey Ergler, Sue Ammerman, Ed Blontz, Annette Lewis, Sue Kornowski, Katelyn Grados

Chelsey Ergler from the Blair County Conservation District was present with an amended contract for the Dirt and Gravel Low Volume Road Project for the 3rd Avenue Alley between 13th and 14th Streets. The amendment to the project was a time extension to extend the project completion date to October 2020. Jeanette Mills made a motion for Dave Smith to sign the amended contract. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Guy Leonard with Boy Scouts Troop 30 would like to do a project at the Duncansville Memorial Park as his Eagle Scout Project. He is proposing to put a brick walkway from the street to the monument. He would also put a park bench on each side of the walkway. Jeanette Mills made a motion to approve Guy Leonard's Eagle Scout Project. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Katelyn Gradoes, Sue Koronowski and Annette Lewis were here to give an update on the Tri Run Watershed Committee and they are still having meetings and if there was anything they could do to help with the Phase 4 to let them know.

Mayor Fritz introduced our new LEMC, Eizu Fredrickson. He looks forward to serving the borough.

Secretary:

1. We received the renewal for borough website from PA State Association of Boroughs in the amount of \$389.00. A few council members had said about going with a different vendor for our website. Paula wanted to make council aware that it was up for renewal. A discussion was held on the website. It was determined to table the subject until next month.
2. Paula requested an executive session after the meeting regarding personnel issues.

Mayor:

Cindy Blontz made a motion to accept the Police report for the month of June 2020. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

1. Mayor Fritz has contacted Brumbaugh Insurance regarding the parking situation in front of their business. They were going to send a letter or recommendation regarding this matter. As of now, we have not received anything from them.
2. Mayor Fritz introduced Sue Ammerman from the Blair County 911 Service. A discussion was held with here regarding how ambulance services are dispatched. She told council that if the Borough chose to make Duncansville Ambulance as their primary ambulance service, Duncansville Ambulance could dictate which service would come if Duncansville Ambulance was unavailable. If the Borough don't name a primary ambulance service listed it would solely be up to the 911 center and they would send the next closest ambulance service available. As it stands the 911 center will send the next closest ambulance service to any patient in Duncansville Borough that needs an ambulance. Sue stated that if the borough will need to make any changes to this procedure that 911 would like to have it in writing.
3. The EMA has been asking if we would like to designate a cooling station with the high temperature. Council did open the Community Center as a warming/cooling center in the past and they didn't receive any response.

Solicitor:

1. Jeanette Mills made a motion for Mayor Fritz to sign the resolution to remove a handicapped parking sign at 1141 4th Avenue. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
2. A discussion was held on the license agreement for the Hollidaysburg Area Summer Baseball League. The Baseball league would like to have a 5 year lease. Council would like to do year to year. Cindy Blontz made a motion to authorize Mike to send the agreement to the president and vice president of the baseball league to look over it make any comments. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Engineer:

1. Tom reported that he has met with all the effective property owners along the Gillans Run, Phase 4 project. He will apply for a joint water structure encroachment permit.
2. We received a letter from PennDOT regarding steel signal posts. If we have any signal post that are older than 1983, they will need replaced due to a flaw in the structure. It was determined that all our posts have been replaced after 1983.
3. We received the final payment request from Grannis Brothers for the 3rd Avenue Alley Project in the amount of \$5,526.50. Jeanette Mills made a motion to pay Grannis Brother for the Alley Project. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
4. Last year we were approached by the Southern Alleghenies Planning and Development Commission to get involved in grant program that was no expense to the Borough to evaluate how the borough is implementing the flood plain ordinance. We received a report from the consultant hired by the Southern Alleghenies stating that we are doing well with our flood plain ordinance administration. They are not recommending that we move into this program at this point due to our flood plain administrator is still new. We will reach back out to them in the future regarding this program.
5. A discussion was held on the Flood Study by the Army Corp of Engineers. The Army Corp is working on this study for Duncansville Borough, Allegheny Township and Blair Township for the watershed.
6. A discussion was held at a previous meeting regarding the DEP Bureau of Waterways Engineering & Wetlands Grant Program. There were issues on the resolution that we needed to start the program. Douglas Hill from DEP emailed Tom and told him to give the resolution to the Borough Solicitor to amend and send it back to

them. Jeanette Mills made a motion for Mike to review and amend the resolution. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

7. Tom received an application for a Flood Plain Review for 838 3rd Avenue for a pool. Tom's report shows that according to the size and location, it is not acceptable under the new flood plain ordinance. Jeanette Mills made a motion to accept Tom's report and have the letter sent to the resident. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
8. The Stuckey Land Development plans are at the borough building and they need signed by the president and secretary.
9. A discussion was held on Cherry Alley which is located between 8th Street and Sunbrook Manor Drive. There are alleys that run parallel to Cherry Alley that are not marked on the PennDOT road map. Mike needs to advertise to enact an ordinance for the naming of Cherry Alley. The subject will be tabled until a future meeting so members of council could research the subject a little further.

Committees:

Buildings & Grounds-Cindy Blontz: Jim Batzel stated that the baseball league has been using the dog boxes for garbage cans. A decision was made to put trash receptacles by the baseball fields.

There was a picnic table at the park that was getting wobbly. Jim and Andy will put new screws in and fix it.

Finance-Dave Shaw: Nothing at this time.

Fire Company-Donnie Detrick: The spring 200 club had to be cancelled.

There will be a chicken bbq on July 18th at 12:00 pm. Cindy suggested that they put on their facebook page that Matt May will be cooking the chicken.

Donnie reported that the fire department made a decision to sell the utility truck. They felt this was a good time to downsize.

Parks & Recreation-Jeanette Mills: Jeanette Mills wants to start looking into making the tennis courts into basketball courts. She would like to discuss some options with Tom at the next meeting.

Personnel-Dave Smith: Nothing at this time.

Streets & Equipment-Dave Shaw: Jim Batzel and Andy Long have been working on painting the curbs, putting new toilet at the park and new hot water heater at the borough building.

Water & Sewer-Dave Smith: Jeanette Mills made a motion to accept the water reports June. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

The sewer department is looking into purchasing a new press.

Duncansville Community Days: Nothing to report due to Community Days has been cancelled.

Unfinished Business: Mayor Fritz recommended that we continue to leave the office closed at this time. Council agreed and they will re-evaluate at next month's meeting.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Borough Council went into an executive session for personnel reasons at 8:34 pm.

Borough Council came out of executive session at 8:51 PM.

Donnie Detrick made a motion to change Jerrica Grance from part time to full time and keep her at the same rate of pay of \$14.00 per hour. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 10, 2020

Cindy Blontz made a motion to pay the monthly bills for July and accept the financial report subject to future audit. Jeanette Mills seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Dave Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:57 PM

Paula Fox
Secretary/Treasurer