

The Duncansville Borough Council meeting was held on Monday, September 14, 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

Cindy Blontz made a motion to approve the Council minutes held on August 10 & 26, 2020. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Donnie Detrick made a motion to accept the Duncansville Municipal Authority minutes held on August 6, 2020. Jeanette Mills seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Visitors: James Batzel, Ed Blontz, Andy Long, Jessica Sorge, Rodney Estep

Secretary:

1. Paula reported that she received a complaint about the garage at 1128 4th Avenue is in terrible condition and the neighbor is concerned that it might do damage to her property. Mike Emerick will take a look at the nuisance ordinance to see if Chief Ketner can do an inspection of the property.
2. Paula reported that when Liberty Fire Solutions did the suppression testing at the Community Center, he stated that under the new National Fire Protection Association guidelines we are non-compliant per the local fire codes specifications. There needs to be an audible or visual alarm on the system. Jeanette Mills made a motion to purchase the parts needed through Liberty Fire. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Fall leaf collection will start in October. Pick up days will be Monday and Thursdays. This information will be put on the website.

Mayor:

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

1. A discussion was held about the office closure. Mayor Fritz reported that the Municipal Authority would like to have it opened. Cindy Blontz made a motion to keep the office closed at this time and reevaluate on a month to month basis. Dave Shaw seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Jeanette Mills-No, Cindy Blontz-Yes, Donnie Detrick-No, Dave Shaw-yes, Dave Smith-Yes. Motion carried.
2. Mayor Fritz spoke with Ron at the Duncansville Pharmacy regarding the agreement that was set up 10 years ago that was discussed at a previous meeting. Ron was not interested in doing another agreement. Cindy Blontz made a motion to have Tom take a look at what part of Duncansville Pharmacy is on Borough property. Jeanette Mills seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Blair County has set Trick or Treat night for October 29, 2020 from 6-8 pm. Cindy Blontz made a motion to have Duncansville Borough participate in Trick or Treat. Jeanette Mills seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Solicitor:

1. A discussion was held on Cherry Alley. In 1989 designated the road between 6th and 7th Street as Cherry Street. Borough Council would like to rename that to Cherry Alley.
2. Jeanette Mills made a motion to adopt the Blair County Emergency Operation Plan. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
3. Jeanette Mills made a motion to adopt the Blair County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
4. Mike gave an update on two Right To Know Requests.
5. Borough Council needs to renew appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board.
 - a) Jeanette Mills made a motion to reappoint William Lloyd retroactive to January 1, 2020 and his appointment will expire January 2023. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
 - b) Cindy Blontz made a motion to reappoint Jennifer Maher retroactive to January 1, 2019 and her appointment will expire January 2022. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
 - c) Donnie Detrick made a motion to reappoint Steven Maher retroactive January 1, 2018 and his appointment will expire January 2021. Jeanette Mills seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.
 - d) Cindy Blontz made a motion to reappoint Ivan Neely as an alternate retroactive January 1, 2019 and his appointment will expire January 2022. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Engineer:

Tom was not present at the meeting but asked that we take action on the MS4 Annual Report. This report has to be filed at the end of the month. Dave Shaw made a motion to have Tom sign the annual MS4 report on behalf of Borough Council. Cindy Blontz seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Committees:

Buildings & Grounds-Cindy Blontz: Nothing at this time.

Finance-Dave Shaw: Dave reported that budget meetings will start this month. The first meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2020 at 10:30 am.

Fire Company-Donnie Detrick: There will be another chicken bbq on Saturday, September 19, 2020.

Parks & Recreation-Jeanette Mills: Jeanette Mills is looking in on grants for the basketball court and tennis courts.

Personnel-Dave Smith: Nothing at this time.

Streets & Equipment-Dave Shaw: Jimmy had the new backhoe in the parking lot so council had the opportunity to take a look at it.

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

Dave Smith reported that the Authority will be getting a new press and it will be installed in an area the street department is now storing things. Jim and Andy will need to start cleaning that area out.

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

Unfinished Business: A discussion was held on how employees would be paid while waiting on COVID-19 test when returning from a high COVID-19 state. Council decided on having masking and temperature checks when returning from a hot spot state. Mike will formulate a policy for this.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 12, 2020

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

Dave Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM

Paula Fox
Secretary/Treasurer