

The Duncansville Borough Council meeting was held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at the Duncansville Community Center

Attendance Eric Fritz, Mayor
Cindy Blontz, President
Donnie Detrick, Jr, Vice President
Dave Shaw Pro Tem
Annette Lewis
Jeffrey Lynn

Cindy Blontz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and roll call by the Borough Secretary

Visitors: Ed Blontz, Chad Beck, Michele Beck, Gayle Weir, Susan Koronowski, Gary Detwiler, Bill Newton, Joe & Beth Castel, Christine Lynn, Jordan Bard, Dave & Kara Brenneman, Ken Davis II, Dave & Jessica Brenneman, Lee Zeger, Ron Grados, Mary Kay Kovach, Annette Blair, Patricia Barroner, Erin & Drew Shubik, Chuck Blair, Lori Fritz, Ashely Glunt, Rich Morris, Eileen Court

Cindy Blontz stated the purpose of this meeting is to hear concerns regarding the proposed Brenneman Bridge project. She stated that each person would be allotted 5 minutes to speak.

Ken Koronowski had a slide show presentation showing how the proposed area floods with a substantial rainfall.

Joe and Beth Castel voiced concerns because they will be the most impacted by this bridge project. They are very concerned because they were never told that they would need to raise the road for the ramp of the bridge approximately two feet.

Lee Zeger, engineer for Dave Brenneman Jr, spoke with Borough Council and the borough residents. A lengthy discussion was held. The question was asked several times if he could guarantee the bridge isn't going to affect them detrimental. Each time the question was asked, it was stated that they couldn't guarantee there wouldn't be flooding. Mike Emerick asked Lee Zeger if the proposed finished elevation of 11th Street, will it be no more than one foot below the regulatory flood elevation. Lee could not answer that question at this time. He would like to see a copy of the Flood Plain Ordinance before he addresses this question. Annette Lewis made a motion to table this subject until the engineer can get an answer to the question asked. Jeff Lynn seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Secretary: Nothing at this time

Mayor: Mayor Fritz would like to go into an executive session.

Committees:

Buildings & Grounds: Donnie stated that he just found out about the damage that was done to the community center floor. It looks like someone dumped straight bleach on the floor and it went straight to the concrete. Someone will need to come in and try to buff the floor out.

Mayor Fritz asked if it would be alright for the boy scouts do an overnight event inside the community center. Council don't see any problem with them using the center. Paula will check with the insurance company to make sure we are covered for an overnight event.

Finance: Nothing at this time.

Fire Company: Donnie stated that the fire company is going through their reorganization and he will get an updated list for council.

Parks & Recreation: Annette asked if Jimmy had a chance to look at the tree at the park. Dave Shaw stated that Jimmy told him that the tree wasn't dead. They will take a look at the tree again in the spring and evaluate it at that time.

Personnel: Paula gave everyone a copy of the employee handbook that needs voted on every two years. Annette Lewis stated that she would like to have a change to take a look at it before voting on it. Annette Lewis made a motion to table voting on the employee handbook until next meeting. Jeff Lynn seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Cindy would like to go into an executive session at the end of the meeting.

Streets & Equipment: The personnel committee hired Brent Clowsin for the open position in the street department. His start date is January 26, 2022.

Water & Sewer: Nothing at this time.

Unfinished Business: Nothing at this time.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Borough Council went into an executive meeting for personnel reasons at 9:16 pm

Borough Council came out of executive meeting at 9:38 pm

Annette Lewis made a motion to promote Ryan Kochara as Lieutenant with a \$2.00 per hour raise effective March 1, 2022. Donnie Detrick seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 14, 2022

Donnie Detrick made a motion to pay the extra bills for the month of January 2022 and accept the financial report subject to future audit. Dave Shaw seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Cindy Blontz adjourned the meeting at 9:41 PM

Paula Fox
Secretary/Treasurer