

February 8, 2012

Mohnton Borough Council met in regular session on the above date. Members present were Dale Eisenhofer, Jane Hoffman, Brad Grauel, Kerry Hoffman, and Mike DeFeo. Member Shirley Stuebner was absent. President Kerry Hoffman presided. Also present were Engineer and Mayor Gary Kraft, Police Chief Richard Leisey, Sr. and Solicitor John Hoffert. President Hoffman swore in Bailey Jones to fill the unexpired term of Maralyn Mancias.

A motion to approve the minutes of the January meetings was made by Jane Hoffman, seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eric Burgis representing the Lions Club requested that Council approve a request to close F Skip Zerbe Street and a portion of Maplewood Avenue on May 19, 2012 for a Soapbox Derby. A motion was made to approve the request with Police Chief Richard Leisey and Gary Burgis pursuing the required paperwork with PennDot. Motion was seconded by Jane Hoffman and duly passed by Council.

Daniel and Kimberly Hinkle discussed issues they were having between themselves and a neighbor. The Hinkle's were advised that Council cannot intervene with this type of issue and that they need to work with Kraft Code Services for any code violations.

ENGINEER

Gary Kraft reviewed the scope of work for this year's sewer system televised review. The skate Park sustained damage due to a vehicle issue, an estimate for the repair work has been submitted.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Monthly report submitted.

POLICE CHIEF – Monthly report submitted.

Due to issues with vehicles in the area of the skatepark causing damage to the borough facilities along with residents, the Chief requested that Council have the Solicitor work on an Ordinance to make Front St and Lake St restricted for truck traffic. A motion was made by Brad Grauel, seconded by Jane Hoffman to have John Hoffert move ahead in drafting this ordinance, duly passed by Council.

FIRE CHIEF – Report submitted.

SOLICITOR

John Hoffert reported that Tom Klonis has 2 hearings before the District Magistrate on behalf of the Borough.

The Civil Service Commission held their Re-Organization Meeting.

There was discussion regarding exonerating any active serviceman from the borough Per Capita Tax. Jane Hoffman made a motion to approve this exoneration, seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by Council.

Approval was given to John to draft an Improvement Agreement requiring security in the amount of \$44,900.63 for the Wall Subdivision. Brad Grauel made a motion to this effect, seconded by Jane Hoffman and duly passed by Council.

PRESIDENT

A motion was made by Kerry Hoffman to appoint Bonnie Betz to fill the vacancy on the Civil Service Commission, seconded by Brad Grauel and duly passed by council.

A motion was made by Kerry Hoffman to appoint Joann Zampelli to the newly formed Vacancy Board, seconded by Brad Grauel and duly passed by Council.

MAYOR

Ordinance #800 and #801 – Amend Handicap Parking Areas in the Borough.

A motion was made by Brad Grauel to adopt these ordinances, seconded by Jane Hoffman and duly passed by Council.

Part time Police Officer testing took place, 6 tests were given and it is being requested that 3 be hired and start the process to complete their qualifications. Jane Hoffman made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Brad Grauel and duly passed by Council.

Authorization to send Officer Eric Pistilli to a Patrol Rifle Instructor Course was approved by Council after a motion made by Jane Hoffman and a second by Dale Eisenhofer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE – Nothing to report.

BUILDING & ZONING & FIRE & WATER – A new vacuum cleaner was purchased and a carpet cleaner is available for the borough to use.

RECREATION

A motion was made to set playground registration fees for 2012 by Jane Hoffman, seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by Council.

The 2012 Fees are: Ages 7-15 - \$50 per child for residents of Mohnton Borough, \$125 max per family; \$100 per Child for non-residents. Ages 3-6 - \$30 per Child for residents of Mohnton Borough, \$60 max per family; \$45 per Child for non-residents.

A motion was made by Jane Hoffman to advertise for a Part time Seasonal Park Maintenance Person, seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by Council.

A motion was made by Jane Hoffman to advertise for Playground Aides for the Summer Program, seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by Council.

A motion was made by Jane Hoffman to raise the large pavilion rental fee to \$140, seconded by Brad Grauel and duly passed by Council.

GRANTS, ACQUISITIONS & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Bailey Jones reported on the status of the Coordination Committee and their wait for all municipalities to appoint members.

The Navigator for 2012 has been published.

A motion was made by Bailey Jones to establish a Facebook page for the Borough, seconded by Brad Grauel and duly passed by Council. Jen Roy will be responsible for the Facebook page.

LIGHT & HIGHWAY

Brad will be working with the Street Crew to address areas of concern.

HEALTH & SANITATION

Mike reviewed a draft resolution for the formation of the GM Fire Services Committee. Issues need to be worked through, this resolution only acknowledges that the borough will participate in the committee and that cooperation is important moving forward. The resolution will be up for adoption at the March 2012 Council meeting

POLICE & PERSONNEL – Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A thank you to the volunteers that cleaned up the trash along F Skip Zerbe Street.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and to authorize payment of all bills was made by Brad Grauel, seconded by Jane Hoffman and duly passed by Council.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Roy
Secretary