

August 11, 2021

Mohnton Borough Council met in regular session at the Borough Office meeting room.

Members participating were Mike Anderson, Tim Moll, Mary Gudikunst, Dale Eisenhofer, Brian Simmon, and President Mike DeFeo who presided. Also, present was Mayor Gary Kraft and Solicitor Zachary Morey from Hoffert & Klonis. Dave Kurczewski was not in attendance

A motion was made by Tim Moll and seconded by Dale Eisenhofer approve the meeting minutes from the July Meeting with one correction, all voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sheri Sponagle, 209 E Wyomissing Ave, discussed abandoned properties near her that have become infested with rodents. A representative from Kraft Code Services will meet with her to review the properties.

Jon Davis questioned the police coverage and current gaps in coverage.

Daniel McDevitt commented on the police department and an encounter he had with Officer Jones when he had a concern at his property. He requested the resignation of Mike DeFeo.

Eric Burgis voiced his concerns about borough work sessions being cancelled and his perception of how that pertains to the sunshine law. He also requested that Mike DeFeo resign from Borough Council.

Lisa Shakespeare called for the resignation of Mary Gudikunst, saying she is an online bully.

Marco Cipolla talked about high weeds along the curbs in the borough and how he reported a long list of offending property owners, which he will continue to do. These weeds are the responsibility of the property owners. He also commented about the cancelled work sessions.

Val Hafer referenced a discussion from July pertaining to police coverage in the borough, describing a situation she dealt with that ended with the state police responding. She also described a police call from Cumru Township.

Gary Hafer spoke about his feeling of the importance of work sessions. He also questioned the COVID relief funding and the approved uses.

Jimmy Davis started speaking about spraying weeds when he was employed by the borough and then started yelling, calling councilmembers names and stormed out of the meeting.

ENGINEER

1. The 2021 Streetwork Project has been completed, there was one change order, the final contract amount was \$116,318.59. Approval to pay the contract amount was given after a motion was made by Tim Moll. Seconded by Dale Eisenhofer and duly passed by council.
2. A pipe repair is needed on Northridge Dr W, CMS will be doing the work on an emergency basis. An electrical transformer needed to be moved before work could begin which is tentatively scheduled for August 23.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

1. Report submitted.

POLICE CHIEF

1. Report submitted by Officer Jones.

SOLICITOR

1. Ordinance #927 – Handicap Parking space adopted after a motion was made by Tim Moll and seconded by Mike Anderson.
2. Ordinance #928 – No Parking update adopted after a motion was made by Tim Moll and seconded by Brian Simmon.
3. Ordinance #929 – Collections Update and Agreement approved for signatures and adopted after a motion was made by Tim Moll and seconded by Dale Eisenhofer.

PRESIDENT

1. Mike DeFeo commented on the council members trying to do what is right for borough even through the accusations and abuse that has been hurled towards them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION was held for personnel and possible legal issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GRANTS, COMMUNITY RELATIONS & INTERGOV COOPERATION – Mike Anderson

1. Mike Anderson commented on the status of the recycling grant that he is working on.

HEALTH, SANITATION, WATER & SEWER – Mary Gudikunst

1. Mary discussed recycling processing and rumors that the borough recycling is going to the landfill because it is picked up in a truck.

Jimmy Davis started yelling about wanting questions answered and was escorted out of the meeting by Officer Jones at the request of President DeFeo.

The Treasurer's Report and the bills to be paid were approved after a motion was made by Dale Eisenhofer and seconded by Tim Moll.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.