

MEETING MINUTES OF KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL

January 6, 2020 in the Borough Hall, 339 S. Kenhorst Blvd., Kenhorst, PA

The January meeting included the reorganization of borough council

CALL TO ORDER – JANUARY 6, 2020 BOROUGH COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

At 7:00 p.m. Mayor Hatzas called the January 6, 2020 meeting of the Kenhorst Borough Council to order with a pledge to the flag and roll-call. Present: Mayor N. Hatzas, K. Grassley, J. Smith, S. Stamm, P. O'Brien, T. Mohler, V. Gagliardo and R. Weidenheimer. Also in attendance, Fire Chief/Public Works Superintendent D. Hart, Reading Police Lt. Lance Lillis, Borough Manager Brian Cole, Jim McCarthy, and Chris Hoffman, Esq.

Taking minutes was J. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH REORGANIZATION

The following residents were sworn in:

Terry Mohler, Borough Council

Terrence Naugle, Planning Commission

Frederick Maryniak, Planning Commission

Brandon Moyer, Zoning Board

Todd Webb, Zoning Board

Anthony Avilla-Gibson, Municipal Authority

- *Mr. Grassley made a motion to appoint Mr. Smith council president, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- *Mr. Grassley made a motion to appoint Mr. Weidenheimer vice president, with Mr. Gagliardo offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- *Mr. Grassley made a motion to appoint Mr. Stamm president pro temp, with Mr. Smith offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

- Approval of Minutes – Mr. Smith presented the minutes from the December 5, 2019 Council Meeting for approval. *Mr. Grassley made a motion to approve the minutes, with Mr. Weidenheimer offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- Mr. Smith made the following committee appointments:
 - Finance Committee: R. Weidenheimer, Chair; S. Stamm and T. Mohler
 - Personnel Committee: K. Grassley, Chair; R. Weidenheimer and J. Smith
 - Properties & Supplies Committee: T. Mohler, Chair; V. Gagliardo and P. O'Brien
 - Safety Committee: P. O'Brien, Chair; R. Weidenheimer and V. Gagliardo
 - Sanitation Committee: S. Stamm, Chair; P. O'Brien and K. Grassley
 - Streets Committee: T. Mohler, Chair; K. Grassley and V. Gagliardo

BOROUGH REPORTS

- Mayor – Mr. Hatzas reported the fines collected in December, and commended the Reading Police for doing a great job in Kenhorst.
- Reading Police Department Report – Lt. Lillis reported there are arrests imminent in the investigation of an elderly scam.
- Kenhorst VFD Chief Report – Chief Hart reported there were 50 calls in December and two fires. The Christmas parade and children’s party were a success.
- Finance Report – Mr. Weidenheimer presented the treasurer’s report/P&L for December 2019. *Mr. Weidenheimer made a motion to accept the report, with Mr. Grassley offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- Codes and Emergency Services – No report.
- Personnel – No report.
- Property & Buildings Report – No report.
- Sanitation – No report.
- Streets –No report.

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

- Parks/Playground – The pavilion electrical work was completed \$500.00 under budget.
- Sanitary Sewers –A subcontractor for UGI hit a sewer lateral that affected the 1400 block of Lacrosse Ave. The company is currently making repairs.
- Stormwater – No report.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

- Solicitor’s Report – No report
- Borough Manager’s Report – Windfall Amusements filed a conditional use application, and a hearing has been scheduled for February 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. *Mr. Stamm made a motion to accept the application and hearing date, with Mr. Grassley offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.* There will be a zoning board hearing on January 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for converting a single-family house into two units at 1061 Commonwealth Blvd. *Mr. Grassley made a motion to have the borough solicitor file a letter of opposition for the plans, with Mr. Stamm offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- *Mr. Stamm made a motion to have the borough solicitor draft a Business License Fee proposition for review, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- 2020 Municipal Appointments were made for a period of two (2) years.

Final Remarks and Reminders

- Next Workshop Meeting – Tuesday February 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
- Next Municipal Authority Meeting– Thursday February 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting – Thursday February 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer