

MEETING MINUTES OF KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL

May 7, 2020 VIRTUAL MEETING DUE TO COVID-19

CALL TO ORDER – MAY 7, 2020 BOROUGH COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

At 7:00 p.m. President J. Smith called the May 7, 2020 virtual meeting of the Kenhorst Borough Council to order. Present: Mayor N. Hatzas, S. Stamm, R. Weidenheimer, P. O'Brien, V. Gagliardo, K. Grassley and T. Mohler. Also in attendance, Fire Chief/Public Works Superintendent D. Hart, Reading Police Lt. Lance Lillis, Borough Manager Brian Cole, Jill Nagy, Solicitor and Jim McCarthy, Engineer.

Taking minutes was J. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer

PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD

None

PRESIDENT SMITH

- Approval of Minutes – Mr. Smith presented the minutes from the March 5, 2020 Council Meeting for approval. *Mr. Weidenheimer made a motion to approve the minutes, with Mr. Stamm offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

BOROUGH REPORTS

- Mayor – Mr. Hatzas reported the fines collected in March and April.
- Reading Police Department Report – Lt. Lillis presented the crime report for April.
- Kenhorst VFD Chief Report – Chief Hart reported there were 42 calls in March, and 40 calls in April.
- Finance Report – Mr. Weidenheimer presented the treasurer's report/P&L for March and April 2020. *Mr. Weidenheimer made a motion to accept the report, with Mr. Gagliardo offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- Codes and Emergency Services – No report.
- Personnel – No report.
- Property & Buildings Report – No report.
- Sanitation – Mr. Stamm noted that yard waste collection resumed, and thanked Dwayne Hart and Jake Miller for arranging the dumpster program for residents to dispose of yard waste.
- Streets – Ronnie Folk Paving had the lowest paving bid. *A motion to award the contract to Ronnie Folk Paving for work on Liberty Ave. and Fayette Ave. was made by Mr. Grassley, with Mr. Weidenheimer offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

- Parks/Playground – A decision whether to cancel the 2020 Playground Program due to COVID-19 will be made shortly.
- Sanitary Sewers – No report.
- Stormwater – No report.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

- Solicitor's Report – No report.
- Borough Manager's Report – No report.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS – *A motion to extend the due date for regular tax payments from June 30 to September 30, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic was made by Mr. Grassley, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mr. Grassley stated that the dinner distribution by Olivet Boys & Girls Club, along Liberty Avenue, was causing traffic problems. Brian Cole will contact the group and have them change the location to S. Kenhorst Blvd.

Mr. Gagliardo stated that people are using ATVs, dirt bikes and quads on borough streets around 6 pm – 7 pm daily. He asked Lt. Lillis if the Grill and Commonwealth stop signs are being monitored, and mentioned the BARTA bus does not fully stop. Officer Smith will be posted at the intersection.

Final Remarks and Reminders

- Next Workshop Meeting – None due to Election Day June 2, 2020
- Next Municipal Authority Meeting– Thursday June 4, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting – Thursday June 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Council adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer