

## MEETING MINUTES OF KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL

November 4, 2021

### **CALL TO ORDER – NOVEMBER 4, 2021 BOROUGH COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING**

At 7:00 p.m. Vice president R. Weidenheimer called the November 4, 2021 meeting of the Kenhorst Borough Council to order with a pledge to the flag and roll-call. Present: Mayor N. Hatzas, S. Stamm, R. Weidenheimer, K. Grassley, V. Gagliardo, P. O'Brien and T. Mohler. President J. Smith was absent. Also in attendance, Fire Chief/Public Works Superintendent D. Hart, Borough Manager Brian Cole, Jill Nagy, Solicitor and Shawn Schwartz, McCarthy Engineering.

The following members of the public were present:

Al DeGennaro, J.P. Mascaro & Son

Patrick Manning, 711 High Blvd., Kenhorst, PA

Carolyn Gunster, 1548 Cortland Ave., Kenhorst, PA

Andrew Casey, Eagle Disposal

Brandon Moyer, 1469 Hancock Blvd., Kenhorst, PA

Justin Park, Hollenbaugh's Trash

Taking minutes was J. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer

### **PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD**

Mr. DeGennaro, attorney for J.P. Mascaro & Son, addressed council regarding the trash bids submitted. He proposed council consider the history, reputation and service of J.P. Mascaro over the price.

### **VICE PRESIDENT WEIDENHEIMER**

- Approval of Minutes – Mr. Weidenheimer presented the minutes from the October 7, 2021 Council meeting for approval. *Mr. Gagliardo 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 October.
- Reading Police Department Report – Absent, no report.
- Kenhorst VFD Chief Report – Chief Hart reported there were 46 calls in October.
- Finance Report – Mr. Weidenheimer presented the treasurer's report/P&L for November 2021. *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 – No report.
- Streets – No report.

## **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORTS**

- Parks/Playground – No report.
- Sanitary Sewers – 2022 Sewer Rates tabled until December.
- Stormwater – No report.

## **MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

- Solicitor's Report – No report.
- Borough Manager's Report – The trash bid process went well. Cumru Township was sent the final bill for the Woodcrest sanitary sewer project. There is a group of residents, Kenhorst Borough Neighbors, sending violation notices to other residents in Kenhorst. This is not permitted or authorized by the Borough. An investigation into the matter is being conducted.

## **OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- The 2022 Trash Bid was awarded to J.P. Mascaro & Son (trash and bulk items) and Hollenbaugh's Trash & Recycling (recycling, yard waste and Christmas trees). *Mr. Stamm made a motion to approve the bid award, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- *Mr. Gagliardo made a motion to approve the Road Closure resolution, effective January 1, 2022, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed unanimously.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- *Mr. Grassley made a motion to add the 2022 budget advertisement to the agenda, and advertise the budget shortly. Mr. Mohler offered a second. Motion passed unanimously.*
- Mr. Grassley questioned what plans have been made to fix Apple Alley. Mr. Cole reiterated that the Berks County Conservation District will accept grant applications in 2022 for funds to improve the entire alley. Mr. Grassley, Mr. Cole and the borough engineer are to meet at the alley to agree on a plan.
- Brian Cole has been appointed to the Berks County Solid Waste Authority for 2022.

## **Final Remarks and Reminders**

- Next Workshop Meeting – November 30, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting – Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer