

MEETING MINUTES OF KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL

August 5, 2021

CALL TO ORDER – AUGUST 5, 2021 BOROUGH COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

At 7:00 p.m. President J. Smith called the August 5, 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. Also in attendance, Fire Chief/Public Works Superintendent D. Hart, Borough Manager Brian Cole, Jim McCarthy, Engineer and Jill Nagy, Solicitor.

The following members of the public were present:

Raymond and Ruth Schmeck, 1436 Lacrosse Ave., Kenhorst

Jeromy Pacana, Rep. Houlihan's office

Patrick Manning, 711 High Blvd., Kenhorst

Jay Kerns, 1620 Commonwealth Blvd., Kenhorst

Taking minutes was J. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer

PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD

Raymond Schmeck would like the alley behind his house paved, perhaps using the American Rescue Plan funds the Borough received. Council will get back to him at 610-777-1898.

Jay Kerns complained about a tractor parked in a driveway on Commonwealth, also on Commonwealth & Broadway. Mr. Kerns also complained about the Lis property where the grass is overgrown and makes removing snow difficult.

Jeromy Pacana of Rep. Houlihan's office provided general information regarding the office and left brochures for the residents.

PRESIDENT SMITH

- Approval of Minutes – Mr. Smith presented the minutes from the July 1, 2021 Council meeting for approval. *Mr. Stamm made a motion to approve the minutes, with Mr. Mohler offering a second. Motion passed.*

BOROUGH REPORTS

- Mayor – Mr. Hatzas reported the fines collected in July.
- Reading Police Department Report – Police representative was not present.
- Kenhorst VFD Chief Report – Chief Hart reported there were 48 calls in July.
- Finance Report – Mr. Weidenheimer presented the treasurer's report/P&L for August 2021. *Mr. Weidenheimer made a motion to accept the report, with Mr. Gagliardo offering a second. Motion passed.*
- 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 – Mr. Stamm stated a stone façade will be installed on the Community Center chimney in the next month. Plans are to install a new swing set at the playground. Movie nights are scheduled for August 28 at 8:30 pm, October 16 at 7:30 pm and October 16 at 7:00 pm.
- Sanitary Sewers – No report.
- Stormwater – No report.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

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

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- *Mr. Mohler made a motion to approve CMS/DSA to add alley keyway work to their contract, with Mr. Grassley offering a second. Motion passed.*

NEW BUSINESS

- *Mr. Grassley made a motion to approve a 90-day extension to John Lis for the Woodgate project, with Mr. Gagliardo offering a second. Motion passed.*
- *Mr. Weidenheimer made a motion to hire Terry Mohler as a public works employee, with Mr. O'Brien offering a second. Mr. Mohler abstained. Motion passed.*
- *Mr. Gagliardo made a motion to move Mr. Mohler from the finance committee to the sanitation committee, and move Mr. O'Brien from the sanitation committee to the finance committee. Mr. Grassley offered a second, with Mr. Mohler abstaining. Motion passed.*
- A letter from the County of Berks regarding County-Provided Consolidated Dispatch Services was distributed to council members. Further discussion will be held next month.

Final Remarks and Reminders

- Next Workshop Meeting – Tuesday August 31, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting – Thursday September 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Council adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Frasso, Secretary/Treasurer