

MANHEIM BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
October 30, 2012

Roll Call: President Bonnie Martin, Vice President Chris Simon, Pro-Tempore Philip Enterline, David Fenicle, John Eshelman, Rebekah Bowers and Mayor Eric Phillips

Staff: Steve Gabriel, Interim Borough Manager, Linda Gerhart, Recording Secretary and Police Chief Joseph Stauffer

This was a Council Meeting with an abbreviated agenda due to the possible impact of Hurricane Sandy scheduled to hit the Manheim area Monday night October 29th into Tuesday, October 30th.

New Business:

- Mr. Bradley Roth, Manheim Emergency Management Coordinator was present to update council on the emergency management efforts that were put into effect for Hurricane Sandy. The Emergency Operations Center was opened at the Penn Township Office on Penryn Road at Noon on Monday, October 29th and was closed at 6:00 AM Tuesday, October 30th. It was a great team effort by everyone. The borough was very lucky with only minimal amounts of flooding on the roadways that are more prone to flooding events when there are substantial amounts of rainfall. There were no major issues. The residents on Mill Street were asked to evacuate as a precaution and all but two properties were evacuated. There were some live wires on West High Street near Fulton Street and an electrical pole snapped at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, but it was secured until it can be replaced. The Street Department was commended on their efforts in keeping all the storm drains clear and Mr. Newcomer did stay at the Public Works Facility during the storm. It was noted that the residents also assisted in keeping the leaves away from the storm drains. It was reported that the Water System and Wastewater Treatment Plant stayed within the necessary parameters during this event. The authority had personnel at each plant during the storm. It was explained that the EOC is set up to respond to emergency situations and not as a public center. The Storm Gauge at Hamaker when checked during storm was at 9 feet which was a 1 foot above what is considered flood stage. A Declaration of Disaster Emergency was declared verbally prior to Hurricane Sandy and was ratified by council during the October 30th Council Meeting.
- A brief discussion was held concerning the pool budget and the items that need to be addressed as we plan for the 2013 season. The flyers for the pool will need to be prepared for mailing in the next few weeks so rates will need to be reviewed.

Executive Session:

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Simon to go to Executive Session for the discussion of personnel matters at 7:40 PM. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eshelman and passed unanimously.
- A Motion was moved by Mr. Eshelman to adjourn from Executive Session at 8:55 PM. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Fenicle and passed unanimously.
 - A Motion was moved by Mr. Fenicle to have interim code enforcement coverage from Commonwealth Code Inspections and Rettew Associates until a new Codes Enforcement Officer is hired. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eshelman and passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Eshelman to adjourn at 9:00 PM. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Fenicle and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Linda Gerhart