

Manheim Borough Council Meeting

February 23, 2016, 7:00 PM

Manheim Borough Building, Manheim

- Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.
- Roll Call: President Carol Y. Phillips, Vice President Brad Roth, Chris Simon, Jean Gates, Elaine Leech & Mayor Scot Funk
- Staff: Borough Manager, James R. Fisher , Police Chief & Joseph Stauffer
- Signed-in visitors – Mr. Hilliard, Mr. Beard, Ms. Grissinger, Mr. Magot, Mr. McCracken.

President Phillips explained the change to the procedure for public comments during the council meetings. There will be 2 opportunities for public comments as listed on the agenda in the beginning of the meeting and at the end.

Public Comment – David Hilliard 23 Railroad Ave appeared and commented on the proposed noise ordinance, specifically related to the residential vs commercial trash removal and truck idling. George Beard 37 Railroad Ave appeared and commented on the proposed noise ordinance, specifically related to noise at McCrackens Feed Mill. Jane Grissinger 27 Railroad Ave appeared and commented on the proposed noise ordinance, specifically related to noise at McCrackens Feed Mill. James Magot 21 Railroad Ave appeared and commented on the proposed noise ordinance, specifically related to noise at McCrackens Feed Mill. Mayor Funk commented on other noise sources in the area, specifically related to trains, that have existed.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of 2/9/16 meeting minutes - Motion by Mr. Roth, second by Mr. Simon, approved unanimously.

Approval of 7/28/15 meeting minutes - Motion by Mr. Roth, second by Ms. Gates, approved unanimously.

VISITORS: Dan Wagner discussed the fire company report, and explained the need for the additional vehicle.

MAYOR AND POLICE CHIEF REPORT: Mayor Funk discussed the renovations at the Fulton Bank and his appreciation for the good work and the investment into this building located within the Borough. Chief Stauffer discussed his monthly report.

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT – Ben Craddock, PE discussed his report and provided updates on the various projects.

- a) MS4 Presentation will occur at March 8th Council Meeting
- b) Police Station Project – work progressing
- c) Penn & Stiegel Street Project – Advertised, with anticipated award in March
- d) Adele Ave Project – Work beginning next week
- e) NW EMS Financial Security Reduction – **Approval of reduction in the amount of \$108,572.79**
Motion by Ms. Leech, second by Mr. Roth, approved unanimously.

BOROUGH CODE OFFICER REPORT – Rob Moyer discussed his report and stated he will have updates on the next meeting on several properties.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Mr. Fisher discussed his report, highlighting the continuing and increasing requirements related to MS4 and the staff's and consultants' ongoing efforts to assure compliance. Mr. Fisher also stated that our auditors were in the office last week, and that the state pension auditor was in the office this week and will be returning for additional information over the next several weeks.

Treasurer Report/Payment of Bills:

Approval of Construction Loan Draw Requisition #3 – \$ 6,459.10 Motion by Mr. Simon, Second by Ms. Leech, approved unanimously.

Payment of Bills – Motion by Ms. Leech, Second by Ms. Gates, approved unanimously.

General Fund - \$ 81,420.31

Capital Fund - \$ 424.99

Fulton (Police Const) - \$ 6,459.10

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parks/Pool – Met prior to tonight’s meeting. Discussed new playground program for the summer of 2016 at Mummau Park, as well as other matters related to the pool. Approval of advertising banners to be hung on fences at field in support of youth softball was requested. Motion by Mr. Simon, second by Mr. Roth to approve request. Approved unanimously.

Public Works – V-Plow purchase, as discussed at PW Committee meeting, and recommendation of Committee **Motion by Mr. Roth, second by Ms. Leech to authorize purchase of V-Plow to replace existing damaged plow at a cost of \$5,570. Approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Chiques COB Sign Request to place signs on square in accordance with the Borough’s sign on public property policy. Motion to approve request by Mr. Roth, second by Ms. Gates, approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Traffic Ordinance Amendment – Ordinance 646 – **Motion to approve Ordinance 646 by Ms. Leech, second by Ms. Gates. Comment raised by Mayor Funk about bus parking in that area possibly blocking access drives. It was stated that the bus drivers remain with the busses during that time and therefore no emergency access issues would occur. Motion approved unanimously.**

Noise Ordinance – Ordinance 647. **Motion to approve Ordinance 647 by Mr. Roth, second by Ms. Gates. Chief Stauffer provided an explanation of Act 124 which governs truck idling. Mr. Magot commented about times of truck arrivals at McCrackens Feed Mill. Mr. Hilliard also commented about truck arrival times, particularly during the hours of 6 pm and 6 am. These comments were primarily related to the noise associated with the operations and the truck idling. Mr. Hilliard also commented on the times allowed for trash haulers for commercial purposes to operate in the Borough. Mr. Fisher explained the reasoning to adjust the time in the ordinance was to provide consistency between the residential and commercial trash hauler permitted hours of operation, and stated that the Borough’s current trash contract allows operations as early as 5 am. Mr. McCracken of McCrackens Feed Mill stated that he had previously contacted his commercial trash hauler requesting that they do not serve his business before 6 am, and Mr. Hilliard expressed his appreciation. Motion approved unanimously.**

Verizon Wireless – **Motion to submit revised lease agreement to Verizon by Mr. Simon, second by Mr. Roth, approved unanimously.**

Borough Building (EMS Building) – Nothing new, will be discussing at next PW meeting.

Police Grievance – Awaiting response regarding settlement agreement.

Solicitor RFP – **Motion to send out Solicitor RFP as prepared by staff by Mr. Roth, second by Mr. Simon, approved unanimously.**

Rock N Glow Event – **Motion to approve the running of spots for one week in April (beginning of month) and one week in May (end of month) on the electronic billboard for the event by Mr. Simon, second by Ms. Leech, approved unanimously.**

Correspondence (NW EMS)

Public Comment – no public comment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Council President Phillips at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

James R. Fisher, PE
Borough Manager, Secretary