

MINUTES  
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Danville Borough Council held a meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Borough Building, 463 Mill St., Danville at 6:00 PM. President Herritt presided.

Present were Councilpersons Woodruff, Gregg, Beers, Herritt, Walters, Stigerwalt, Walter and Mayor Swank. Also present were S. Berkey, B. Brady, J. Swank, J. Hart, B. Horne, J. Graham, B. Earlston, J. Buckenburger and Solicitor Marks.

The invocation was given by Solicitor Marks and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Recognition**

Ms. Berkey recognized John Rodman for his 5 plus years of service on Council by reading the plaque that was made for him.

**Public Comments**

1. Dr. Lenair Ahlum, Executive Director Susquehanna Valley Community Education Project, has requested a letter of support from the Council for a regional community college in the Susquehanna Valley.
2. Trevor Finn, Montour County Commissioner, has requested to enter an MOU to allow the use of the Borough's pole and meter at the East Market Street location to be used for their 3 LED parking lot lights.

**Consent Items Including Financial Reports & Payment of Bills**

Motion made by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Walter and a unanimous vote, Council approved the following:

1. July 14, 2020.....Regular Meeting
2. List of Checks – Jim Gregg abstains from the check paying, "Jim's Small Engine" invoices this is on record as a standing abstention.
3. List of General Journal Entries
4. Month end Financial Reports and monthly List of Bills for payment.

**Action Items from previous meetings**

1. MOU with the County (from public presentation). Motion by Mr. Woodruff, seconded by Mr. Walter, and a majority vote, Council approved the use of the Borough's pole and meter by the site of the new Police Station. Mr. Stigerwalt abstains due to employment.

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2. Motion by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Beers and a unanimous vote, Council appointed Mr. Christian Force as 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Councilman to replace Mr. Rodman.
3. Motion by Mr. Woodruff, seconded by Mr. Gregg and a unanimous vote, Council approved the adoption of Ordinance No. 563 entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", making DL&W Avenue NO PARKING.
4. Motion by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Beers and a unanimous vote, Council approved the adoption of Resolution 2020-8 – extending the KOZ zone until December 2027.
5. Requested letter of support for the community college was approved by Council with a motion from Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Walters and a unanimous vote.

**Topics/New Business**

1. Planning Commission requests:
  - 321 Lower Mulberry Street -Motion by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Walter and a unanimous vote, Council approved a project in which two properties were combined as one parcel to allow for the construction of an accessory structure.
  - 233 Water Street - Motion by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Walter and a unanimous vote, Council approved a project in which two properties were combined as one. This would result in the two existing dwellings being connected and utilized as one residential structure.
2. Motion by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Stigerwalt and a unanimous vote, Council approved a request from the United Way of Columbia and Montour Counties to use Memorial Park for a day yet to be determined in September for their recovery resource event.
3. Motion by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Woodruff and a unanimous vote, Council appointed Mr. Walters as President Pro-Tem.
4. Community Development Block Grant project review and selection for FFY 2020 funding was approved. Motion was made by Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Stigerwalt and a unanimous vote to select the Danville Fire Department Fire Truck as the project to be funded.
5. Award bid for Mill Street Streetscape Project – no bids received.

**Correspondence & FYI Items**

1. The Halloween parade has been cancelled for this year. The Chief of Police and Mayor are recommending that Council should not designate a night for Trick or Treating for 2020.
2. CareerLink will be at the Danville Municipal Bldg. on Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup> from 9 AM to 1 PM.

**Unfinished/Old Business**

1. Valley Township - Fire Police dispatch. Solicitor Marks has spoken with the Solicitor for the 911 station and talked with the Fire Chief. The Solicitor has stated that within 10 days he feels there will be a resolution.
2. Motion by Mr. Stigerwalt, seconded by Mr. Walters and a unanimous vote, Council has postponed Dumpster Day until 2021.

**Committees**

Finance

Budget meetings will start soon.

Personnel

The committee has started negotiations with the Police and are making progress.

Property

1. Borough owned wooded land – Mr. Woodruff reported that the Committee is in the position that due to all factors involved, they are not interested in entertaining the request.
2. Motion by Mr. Woodruff, seconded by Mr. Beers and a unanimous vote, Council approved to assess a \$25 fee to successful hunting permit holders to offset the cost of the administration of the permitting process.

Water

Public Safety (fire)

1. Fire Chief Buckenburger informed Council that the County has paid for 100% of the new radios for the Fire Department. He also updated Council on the fundraising efforts for the ladder truck. The following individuals were recognized Junior Firefighter Nick Sandri and his father Paul for their work on

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the fundraiser, along with Deanna Force for her work as the Public Information Officer for the department, the Fire Police for their ongoing assistance and recently during the storm that came thru the area on August 7<sup>th</sup>, and Nick Sandri, Stephan Burgess, Colby Kessler, Ryan Temple, Tyler Patterson and Cody Faust for their efforts on an EMT call.

Flood

Police

The Police moved in the new station today with the help of all the Borough Departments.

Streets

Sewer

COG

Next meeting to be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> at West Hemlock Township.

Parks & Recreation

MARC is looking for a Borough representative for their Board. Mr. Woodruff is interested if they receive no other.

Mayor's Report

1. Mayor recognized Jackie Hart for her ongoing efforts with the new Police Station.
2. A swearing in ceremony will take place on Saturday at 7:00 in the new police building.

Codes, Zoning & Health

Danville Borough Code Office Report 7/1/2020-7/31/2020.

1. Building Permits

D2020-22	669 Grand	Addition	154.50
D2020-23	126 Center	Porch Repair	54.50
D2020-24	667 Grand Street	Porch Repair	54.50
C2020-14REV	359 East Market Street	Electrical/Mechanical	675.00
D2020-18	771 Dey	Deck/Porch	79.50
D2020-19	824 A Street	Structural Repairs/Porch	254.50

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D2020-20	1025 Cherry Street	Porch Repair	54.50
D2020-21	95 Park Avenue	Deck	54.50

2. Zoning Permits

1585	996 Grand	Shed	40.00
1586	77 Park Ave	Shed	40.00
1587	641 E Market	Fence	40.00
1588	875 Laurel	Fence	40.00

3. Non UCC Electric Service Inspection

667 Grand                      200 amp electrical service                      50.00

730 Cooper Street              100 Amp Service Inspection                      50.00

4. Property Maintenance

- Door Hangers.....6
- Complaints.....0
- Prohibited Furniture.....15
- Personal Contacts.....6
- Courtesy Notice.....1
- Enforcement Notice.....1
- Condemnation.....0
- Quality of Life Courtesy.....12
- Quality of Life Ticket.....0
- Quality of Life Citation.....0
- Notice of Improvement.....0

5. Rental Inspections.....42

**Other Business**

Mr. Herritt thanked the Commissioners for the radio funding.

**News Media**

The news media had questions on the CDBG allocation.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25.



Shannon Berkey  
Borough Manager