

DANVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2023

Danville Borough Council held a meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at the Borough Building, 463 Mill St., Danville at 6:00PM. President Woodruff presided.

Present were Councilpersons Woodruff, Walters, Gregg, Beers Jr., Stigerwalt, Humphries, Deroba, Herritt and Mayor Swank. Also present were staff members Mordan, Roberts, Earliston, Fire Chief Buckenberger, Police Chief Swank and Solicitor Mike Dennehy.

The invocation was given by Reverend Sullivan, Iron Mill Church, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comments

Rebecca Dressler of the Danville Business Alliance commented she is happy that LERTA is not being repealed but is concerned with the exclusion of C2 District.

Notification: There was an executive session regarding personnel and a legal matter held on Thursday, March 30, 2023 at 8:10PM.

Consent items Including Financial Reports & Payment of Bills

Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Kevin Herritt with a unanimous vote to approve the following:

- 1. Minutes March 14, 2023.....Regular meeting
- 2. List of checks- Jim Gregg abstains from check paying, "Jim's Small Engine Repair" 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.....President Woodruff

Meetings.....President Woodruff

Topics / New Business.....President Woodruff

- 1. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Howard Beers and a unanimous vote to approve the Amendment of Fulton Loan Documents. Libor index was used to calculate the rate initially. The Libor index is no longer used and will be replaced with a Sofr index. The interest rate on the loan will not change.
- 2. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Mark Deroba with a unanimous vote to approve the Gift of Life Donor Dash Event on April 16, 2023.

3. Motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Joe Stigerwalt to approve the Geisinger House Staff Orientation Fair on June 19, 2023. Discussion occurred on the topic regarding alternative venues to avoid closing Mill Street during the busiest time of the day. The event is to invite new and current residents totaling 1,000+ to promote local businesses.

Roll Call

Yay

Deroba
Herritt
Woodruff
Stigerwalt
Mayor

Nay

Walters
Humphries
Gregg
Beers

The motion passes.

4. Motion was made by Joe Stigerwalt and seconded by Wes Walters with a unanimous vote to approve the Letter of Retirement from Bruce Earlston, Street Superintendent. His date of retirement is May 31, 2024.
5. A motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Joe Stigerwalt to table a request made by Mahoning Township to hold their annual dumpster day on August 12, 2023 from 8AM to 11AM at the soccer complex on East Market Street. Brindy Mordan will contact Mahoning Township regarding a rental fee (possible exemption of subdivision fees for the transfer of land to the School District), Soccer Park events and liability insurance. There was also a discussion regarding the history of the relocation of dumpster day.
6. Motion was made by Joe Stigerwalt and seconded by Wes Walters with a unanimous vote for the Amendment to the 2017 ARLE Program Funding Agreement (new signal at Bloom, Walnut and Ferry Street). A time extension is needed to allow PennDOT to reimburse the remaining grant funding.
7. Motion was made by Joe Stigerwalt and seconded by Kevin Herritt with a unanimous vote for Resolution 2023-03 appointing Brindy Mordan as Borough Treasurer.
8. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Jim Gregg with a unanimous vote to approve the provided scope of work from WSP in the amount of \$35,731 for the final stage of the levee certification with the addition to the schedule section – in any event must be completed in 120 days. Brindy Mordan reported the initial contract in 2021 with WSP was to submit the recertification of the levee in the amount of \$68,911.00. In October 2022, FEMA sent a letter that the submission was incomplete. Ken checked with BIA, since the initial work of submission was done by WSP they would need to redo the entire process and it would cost \$50,000.00. Legally there is nothing that can be

done with the incomplete submission from the contract in 2021. The initial contract was not well written.

Correspondence & FYI items.....President Woodruff

1. The Route 11 Flood Wall Closure exercise is scheduled for Sunday, June 25, 2023 from 6AM to 12PM.
2. First Public Hearing and Project Development Workshop for CDBG FFY 2023 Funds will be held Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 6:00PM in the Council Chambers. If Council has any project suggestions, please contact Melissa prior to the workshop.
3. Dumpster day is scheduled for April 15, 2023 from 7:00AM to 1:00 PM.

Unfinished / Old Business.....President Woodruff

1. Motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Jim Gregg with a unanimous vote to ratify the termination of NEIC for the provider of UCC services.

Committees

Finance.....Mr. Walters

Personnel.....Mr. Walters

1. An Executive session regarding personnel was held at the end of the meeting.
2. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Howard Beers with a unanimous vote to hire Ellie Erlston-Phillips for the Part-time Code Officer position at a starting hourly rate of \$22.00 per hour.

Property.....Mr. Humphries

Reported he is enjoying the newly renovated Council Chambers.

Water.....Mr. Gregg

Public Safety (fire).....Mr. Walters

1. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Howard Beers with a unanimous vote for intent to adopt Ordinance No. 575-Chapter 24 Fire Department.

Chief Buckenberger reported that training is going well. The problem during the daytime is getting drivers. He suggests other stations cross-train on apparatuses and he requests Councils backing.

Flood.....Mr. Gregg

Bruce Earlston reported the new hire is doing a good job.

Police.....Mayor Swank

Streets.....Mr. Stigerwalt

Thanked Bruce Earlston for his years of service.

Sewer.....Mr. Gregg

COG.....Mr. Humphries

The next meeting will be held May 18, 2023 at Liberty Township.

DBA.....Mr. Stigerwalt

Rebecca Dressler reported they are officially full for Spring Fling and there is a waiting list.

Mark Deroba reported Council is opening up the Borough Building for Spring Fling. They will possibly donate waters for attendees from their personal funds.

EMA.....Mr. Beers

Mayor's Report.....Mayor Swank

Keep Donnie Hunters family in your prayers.
Thanked Bruce Earlston for his years of service.

Codes, Zoning & Health.....Mr. Deroba

Discussion was held at the last Codes Committee regarding the sign ordinance and the chicken ordinance. No changes will be made to the chicken ordinance and Ken Roberts has sent over a draft of the sign ordinance to Mike Dennehy for review.

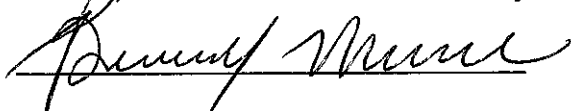
1. Motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Jim Gregg and a majority vote with Byard Woodruff opposed for intent to adopt Ordinance No. 576-Chapter 225, LERTA.
2. Code Administrator's report was attached.
3. Health Officer's report was attached.

Other BusinessPresident Woodruff

News MediaPresident Woodruff

AdjournmentPresident Woodruff

Council recessed for an executive session at 6:50 PM to discuss personnel. There being no further business, Council reconvened and then adjourned at 7:10PM.



Brindy Mordan, Borough Manager