

DANVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2023

Danville Borough Council held a meeting on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at the Borough Building, 463 Mill St., Danville at 6:00PM. President Woodruff presided.

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

The invocation was given by Mike Dennehy and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Comments - Open discussion is encouraged during any agenda item.

Notification: There was an executive session regarding personnel, contract negotiations and a potential legal matter held on Monday, August 14th at 5:30pm.

Consent items Including Financial Reports & Payment of Bills

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

1. Minutes August 8, 2023.....Regular meeting
2. List of checks- Jim Gregg abstains from check paying, "Gregg'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

Special Action was needed to add the request for the closure of Front Street and Fire Police for the rescheduling of the Iron Heritage Festival Fireworks. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Kevin Herritt with a unanimous vote to approve the rescheduling to Saturday, October 28, 2023. Due to inclement weather the fireworks were postponed.

Action items from previous meetings

Meetings.....President Woodruff

1. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Jim Gregg with a unanimous vote for intent to adopt Ordinance No. 580 amending Chapter 237, entitled Vehicles and Traffic, restricting sections of Canal Street to truck traffic. Howard Beers questioned how quickly the alley can be posted – in October after final approval at the Council Meeting.
2. Motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Wes Walters with a unanimous vote to approve Ordinance No. 579 vacating an Unopened Alley in the Second Ward.

Topics / New Business.....President Woodruff

1. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Kevin Herritt with a unanimous vote to approve the 2024 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Pension Plans.
2. Motion was made by Kevin Herritt and seconded by Wes Walters with a unanimous vote to approve Local Share Assessment Grant Application Resolution 2023-12.
Steve Humphries questioned if there is a match – No, price has been changed due to the contingency rate limitation of 5%.
3. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Mark Deroba with a unanimous vote to approve the lease with Warihay Farms & Harvesting for Borough Farm Land.
4. Motion was made by Mark Deroba and seconded by Wes Walters with a unanimous vote to approve the request for the closure of Front Street and Fire Police for the rescheduling of the Iron Heritage Festival Fireworks for Saturday, October 28th. Steve Humphries made a motion to add Trick or Treating to the October agenda to change the date from October 31st to the October 28th. Motion dies, keep the 31st this will be discussed next year.

Correspondence & FYI items.....President Woodruff

1. Act 14 Notification from Gannett Fleming.

Unfinished / Old Business.....President Woodruff

Committees

Finance.....Mr. Walters

Personnel.....Mr. Walters

1. Motion was made by Wes Walters and seconded by Kevin Herritt with a unanimous vote to approve Kristy Hart, Borough Clerk, to be hired as a full time Borough Employee now that she has successfully completed her probationary period.

Property.....Mr. Humphries

Water.....Mr. Gregg

Brad Horne reported the Water Departments project to help with water pressure to residents of Lower, Middle, Upper is underway.

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

John Buckenberger briefed Council on the siren malfunctions last week. Keystone recommended diagnosis be ran on the sirens. The Street Department is checking the sirens but EMA is not. Education for the public on the different signals needs to occur and eliminate the alarming of the siren for fire calls. Discussion will occur at the Codes and Fire budget meeting.

Flood.....Mr. Gregg

Ken Roberts reported he spoke to a FEMA engineer regarding the Levee Recertification and they are tying up loose ends in the next couple weeks. Submission by Wood was complete this time.

Police.....Mayor Swank

Streets.....Mr. Stigerwalt

Sewer.....Mr. Gregg

COG.....Mr. Humphries

Next meeting is Thursday, September 14, 2023.

DBA.....Mr. Stigerwalt

EMA.....Mr. Beers

Stated he will check on the sirens for Chief Buckenberger.

Mayor's Report.....Mayor Swank

1. In the absence of the Mayor, she requested Brindy Mordan proclaim on her behalf September as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. The Mayor already approved and signed off on the Proclamation.

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

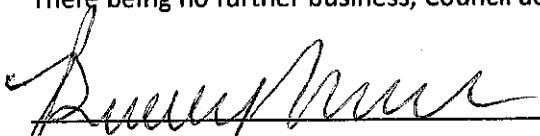
1. Health Report attached.

Other BusinessPresident Woodruff

News MediaPresident Woodruff

AdjournmentPresident Woodruff

There being no further business, Council adjourned at 6:30pm.



 Brindy Mordan, Borough Manager