

MEETING WEDNESDAY 2-7-2024 6:00P.M.
Municipal Bldg. 306 Byron Street McGrann

In attendance: Supervisors Palmer and Southworth, Chief Robbins, Kathy Heilman from the Planning Department and Secretary Davis
Citizens: J. Larry Rice, Carol Miller, Elaine Baileys, Ricki Evans, Chad Evans and Dennis Phillips from Leader Times.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Palmer at 6:00P.M. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Palmer stated there was a police shooting in Philadelphia. Changes in society are making police work more dangerous by the day.

Minutes of 1/19/2024 regular meeting were distributed, motion to approve by Southworth, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Palmer stated we have had stormwater complaints about McAuley Meadows, and Dollar General. Palmer would like to have a meeting with the Planning Department, Solicitor, LSSE our engineers and Bureau Veritas to go over the stormwater process step by step to see what needs to be changed going forward.

Heilman presented an amendment to revise Senate's professional services contract from Bishop Hill/Coal Street Reconstruction to include the engineering services at the cost of \$3,850 for Railroad Street Reconstruction and \$8,521 for Heilman Street Reconstruction Projects. Palmer made a motion to sign the amendment, seconded by Southworth, Miller ask if the roads will be done this year and was told yes, carried. Southworth ask Heilman if he could take down the sign for the Bishop Hill/Coal Street project, Heilman told him yes. Heilman told the Board to figure out what area they want to survey for their 2024 project.

Palmer stated the police officer's COVID claim has been denied by Heart & Lung and is under legal review. Heart & Lung says the COVID coverage was temporary but their website states it is covered.

Palmer stated Sheasley claims water runs out of the pond at Dollar General and erodes his field. LSSE did an onsite visit and there are some deficiencies so they are writing a letter to Dollar General to make the stormwater compliant.

Southworth made a motion to allow Palmer to mail out park donation letters, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried. Palmer stated all donations are put back into the park, this year they want to upgrade the fields and if we get the Pirate's charities grant the donations will be used as the match.

Police Business:

Police report was read by Chief Robbins. Southworth made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried. Chief Robbins, Detective Rensel and Officer Lazon went to Children's Hospital for River Schafer's birthday party. He is the only person with the 2 conditions. He was made an honorary police officer and when he gets out of the hospital our police car will meet them at Buffalo Bridge and escort him home. The promotions have been postponed to the first meeting in March. Car 9-2 needs a computer and printer that was budgeted for in 2024, Robbins received a quote of \$3,712.74 for everything. Robbins stated he has sent out

donation letters and has received a \$500.00 donation from an anonymous business towards the computer. Palmer is waiting on two additional quotes. Palmer made a motion to spend up to \$3,712.74 but take the lowest quote, seconded by Southworth, no public comment heard, carried. Robbins stated they have been awarded the Medical Marijuana Grant for \$34,105.00. It will pay the overtime and a replacement officer for officer training and 5 portable breath testers. Palmer stated Chad Evans, the Chief and himself need to have a meeting next week.

EMC Report:

Rice said Emergency Managers have to get continuing education credits every 5 years and to do this they need to belong to Keystone Emergency Management Association at a rate of \$30.00 per year for him and \$30.00 for R. Evans. They would like to go to PSATS in April to get these credits, the class is \$175.00 each. Palmer stated can't approve funds tonight since it wasn't on the agenda but will put on the middle of the month meeting. Palmer will have Davis look for the best prices on a hotel for them. Mike is off from 3 months at 911 and Jason will be in charge. Southworth made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Fire Department Report:

Evans read there were 20 incidents in January. They were awarded the state fire grant and it will be used to purchase pagers. He still isn't sure what they will do for radios, Palmer ask if they applied for any grants, if you apply for the Firehouse Subs grant you can't resubmit for 2 or 3 years. Southworth made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Comments:

Rice – the Kittanning paramedic has passed his state test and is working with another medic but will soon be put on orders. Evans said he is working on his.

Miller – ask if anything can be done with clutter under a carport, Robbins told her it is a fine constitutional line but will have Lazon do a knock and talk with the owner.

Baileys – Coal Street right beside her doesn't have trash collection and the water has been off for weeks with children there. They are doing their business in a bucket and throwing it in the back yard, Robbins will have Lazon check into this.

Motion to pay the bills by Southworth, and give the secretary the authority to pay any bills until the next meeting, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Motion to adjourn by Southworth, seconded by Palmer, no public comment heard, carried.

Adjourned at 6:30P.M.

Jill A. Davis, Secretary