

# November 4, 2018

The regular meeting of the Cleona Borough Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order by President Jim O'Connor with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Members attending were Bill Bechtel, Patrick Haley, Doug Hartman, Elizabeth Lindsay, and Robert Moyer. Also attending were Mayor Larry Minnich, Attorney Colleen Gallo, Chief Jeffrey Farneski and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Sam Wengert

## **ANNVILLE FREE LIBRARY - Gary Grieve-Carlson**

and Mr. Yeager provided the Council Members with a handout showing the statistics on usage of the library, and the diverse programs the library has to offer. Pat Haley thanked the library for Miss Cindy's reading program during the Park Summer Program.

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. **A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Patrick Haley to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Motion carried 6-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for October 2018. **A motion was made by Robert Moyer, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer's report for October 2018. Motion carried 6-0.**

## **FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Mike Hughes, President Fire Company**

In October there were two life safety Events: October 9<sup>th</sup> – Land Search for a missing youth in the Borough, later found in Grantville; and October 30<sup>th</sup> – The Wagon was called to a possible structure fire, later found was a fault furnace.

Mike presented copies of the Fire Company 2019 Budget.

Cleona Authority gave a donation to the purchase of SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus). Mike thank the Authority, Borough, and Borough residents for their support.

On October 24<sup>th</sup> was the sub-committee kick-off meeting for the merger.

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, a joint meeting between Cleona and Annville Union Hose was held at the High School.

Hours for the October were as follows: Incidents – 36.64, Training – 132.5, Miscellaneous – 187.3

Total Calls for the month were 32 with 9 calls in Cleona, 6 calls in Annville, and 6 calls in South Annville.

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### **POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich and Chief Jeffrey Farneski**

Report submitted by Chief

Mayor Minnich attended an event at Jonestown Bank where prizes were awarded with the winners designating an organization to donate the prize. Bill Shay from Shay's vending won second prize (\$300) and designated the Park and Recreation Board to receive the donation. The presentation of the check will be done at the December Council Meeting.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Rafael Jimenez-Gomez, 128 West Penn Avenue, asked Council if they had considered LED Street Lights in the Borough. He mentioned the benefit of improved lighting at a lower cost. Kerry will research this with Met-Ed.

Paul Buck, 217 East Chestnut Street, asked Council if crosswalk yield to pedestrian signs could be placed at Rt 422/Garfield Street and Rt 422/Christian Street.

Mr. Buck also mentioned his concern that four days a week there are five different trash haulers in the Borough and the impact they have on our alleys, citing the 300 block of Union Alley as an example. Elizabeth Lindsay had explained she had explored contracting for municipal waste but received resistance from the residents. Elizabeth will revisit municipal trash.

Mr. Buck questioned the Ordinance on parking Recreation Vehicles (Motor Home) on the Street. He interpreted that he would be allowed to park the Motor Home in front (the street) of his home. He also questioned about the 36-hour limit and changing the ordinance to allow Recreation Vehicles on the street between end of April to the end of October. Lebanon County Planning, Borough's Zoning Officer will be asked to review this ordinance.

Joe Auman, 202 South Mill Street mentioned to Council that he had installed the lights on the Christmas Tree at the Borough Hall.

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim O'Connor**

Jim thanked Kerry, Joe and Melody for all their work they do at the Borough.

### **BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland**

Kerry mentioned to Council that in the October Sewer Bill was a line item Stormwater Fee that showed the number of ERUs (Equivalent Residential Unit). This was done in October to allow Non-single residential properties that had multiple ERUs assigned an opportunity to appeal before the January 10<sup>th</sup> billing cycle.

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On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, a link was placed on the Borough's Website to allow on-line payments of sewer bills.

Working hard on Budgets, especially focusing on the 2018 Projection since Bill Bechtel uses this as a tool for setting the 2019 Budget.

One hundred and twelve (112) Rental License letters were mailed the week of October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Next Project will be the notification system for the Borough.

Kerry thanked Melody and Joe for assisting on maintaining the Borough Hall.

### **FIRE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Robert Moyer**

On October Merger Meeting, Bob and Kerry attended the Financial Sub-Committee meeting.

Bob received information from Jason Weikel on legislation that was passed for Volunteer Firefighters to receive tax breaks. Bob will research this.

### **PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Douglas Hartman**

Doug had the failing gutter replaced in the front of the Borough Building. Reduced two downspouts with one.

Demolition continues down in the basement.

Doug is researching the feasibility of moving the mechanics out of the basement

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert - Absent**

No Report.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley**

Fall Festival was cancelled for the first time in 16 years.

The Santa Event is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Board is expanding the event to include the Silent Auction originally planned for the Fall Festival.

Pat will be looking into the appeal process for the stormwater fee.

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**CODE ENFORCEMENT/POLICE – Elizabeth Lindsay**

Due to the winter season, the IPMC normally slows down.

Leaf clean-up will continue into the first to second week of December. Elizabeth asked that leaves should be placed away from the curb line.

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel**

Is researching increasing the amount contributed to the Non-Uniform Pension. The increase would be covered by State Aid, as long as State Aid is provided. He recommended that it would be limited to 5 years.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo**

Report Submitted.

**NEW BUSINESS**

First Reading of the 2019 Budget

**A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Robert Moyer to adopt Ordinance No. 321 prohibiting parking on the northside of East Pine Street between Laurel Alley and Morningside Avenue and the northside of West Locust Street between Wilson and Mill Street. Motion carried 6-0.**

**A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Patrick Haley to have Colleen prepare and advertise an Ordinance establishing the tax millage rate for 2019 at 2.77 mills for adoption at the December 3, 2018 meeting. Motion carried 6-0.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

National Incident Management Systems (NIMS) Training (100, 200, 700) Council Members to complete and provide copy of certificates to Borough Office was mentioned.

**A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Patrick Haley to pay the bills for October 2018. Motion carried 6-0.**

**The Council recessed into executive session at 8:12 pm for a personnel matter and initial negotiations on a possible contract.**

**Council returned to general session out of executive session at 8:52 pm**

**Council adjourned at 8:52 pm by motion of Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Patrick Haley.**

Respectively Submitted

Kerry L Rohland

Borough Manager