March 4, 2019

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, and Elizabeth Lindsay. Also attending were Mayor Larry Minnich, Attorney Colleen Gallo, Chief Jeffrey Farneski and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Robert Moyer (Reported), Sam Wengert

**Project on Melvin Hershey’s Property – Chad Smith, Steckbeck Engineering & Survey Inc.**

Chad provided Council with handouts of Melvin Hershey Properties, 2 parcels in Cleona Borough and one in North Lebanon Township. A proposed site plan for Bennett Toyota was presented and discussed with Council. Land development plans have been presented to both Cleona Borough and North Lebanon Township. Julie Cheyney, Cleona Borough’s Zoning Officer will be asked to attend a future Borough Council Meeting to explain the Borough’s options/requirements on this project.

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for February 4, 2019. **A motion was made by Bill Bechtel, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Borough Manager’s Minutes for February 4, 2019. Motion carried 5-0.**

The Treasurer’s report was presented for February 2019. **A motion was made by Pat Haley, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer’s report for January 2019. Motion carried 5-0.**

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Dustin Sider, President Fire Company**

Report submitted

Dustin thanked Council for their continued support of the Fire Company.

For the month of February, the Fire Company responded to 35 calls; 13 in Cleona Borough; 7 in Annville; and 1 in South Annville.

Volunteer Hours for February were 268.8 hours.

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

Report submitted by Chief

Mayor Minnich shared with Council that legislation is being considered to allow local municipal police to use radar guns for speed.
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The Mayor, Colleen and Kerry met with Giant representatives on February 27th. Giant Foods is proceeding to obtain a Liquor Referendum for the May ballot. “A Common Questions on Cleona Borough Liquor Referendum” was provided to Council and the audience in attendance. Copies will be made available in the Borough Office.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Comments

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Jim O’Connor

Nothing to report

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted.

FIRE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Robert Moyer Reported Absents

In an email, Robert reported that he will bring information to the next meeting involving tax credits for volunteer fireman.

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Douglas Hartman

Work has continued in the basement with Joe doing the demolition and painting. 

The Fire Company’s washing machine has been installed in the basement.

A motion was made by Doug Hartman, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to award the 2019-2020 Mowing Contracts for the Borough Hall ($50 per), Cleona Park ($280 per), and Cleona Borough Authority Pumphouse ($30 per) to the lowest qualified bidder, Shreve Landscaping at a price of $360.00 per mowing. Motion carried 5-0. The Authority will need to approve the mowing for the Pumphouse.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert Absent

Kerry reported that snow removal has gone well with no complaints received in the Borough Office. The use of the Borough Truck in the Walnut Mill Development has improved the timeliness of service to the Development.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley

March 9th is the bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show. Twenty-eight tickets were sold.

March 18th the FFA is scheduled to perform volunteer work for both the Park (spreading woodcarpet) and Borough Hall (Clean-up and Renovation of Basement)
On April 13th at 10:00 am, the Park and Recreation Board will hold an Easter Egg Hunt at the Cleona Park.

April 27th is Spring Clean-up at the Park. This coincides with Day of Caring.

Movies for 2019 have been scheduled as follows: June 21st – “Ralph Breaks the Internet”; July 19th – “Bumble Bee”; and August 16th – “Wonder”.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT/POLICE** – Elizabeth Lindsay

Elizabeth informed Council that 29 West Chestnut Street (vacant for several years) had been sold at Sheriff Sale. A lien is in place and the Borough will receive money through the disbursement of funds with the remaining balance collected from the new owner.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Doug Hartman to authorize Colleen to prepare and advertise the necessary ordinance to update the version of the IPMC from 2012 to 2018 used by the Borough. Motion carried 5-0.

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT** – Bill Bechtel

Bill reported that the Borough was under budget year to date by $44,000.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT** – Colleen Gallo

Report Submitted.

Colleen requested an executive session for an ongoing personnel matter involving an officer of the police department.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Patrick Haley allowing Doug Hartman to plow snow for the Borough using the Borough truck. Motion carried 5-0.

Lori Thomas, owner of LAT Designs & Vintage Boutique, 16A East Penn Avenue – would like to hold a Craft Show on June 1st in the parking lot behind the building (20 Vendors). No streets or alleys are proposed to be closed. Kerry suggested that the Police Department review the layout and make suggestions on traffic control.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Updating the 2012 IPMC to 2018 IPMC was discussed under Code Enforcement Report.
A motion was made by Bill Bechtel, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to appoint Rafael Jimenez Gomez to the Planning Commission with a term ending December 2019. Motion carried 5-0

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

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Pat Haley to pay the bills for February 2019. Motion carried 5-0.

The Council adjourned into executive session at 8:15 pm for an ongoing personnel matter involving an officer of the police department.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager