October 7, 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, 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

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for September 9th, 2019. A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Doug Hartman to approve the Borough Manager’s Minutes for September 9, 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

The Treasurer’s report was presented for September 2019. A motion was made by Robert Moyer, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer’s report for September 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Dustin Sider

Report submitted and Reviewed

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich and Sargent Rager

Chief’s Report reviewed.

Sargent Rager requested an Executive Session for a personnel issue.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Comments

COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Jim O’Connor

No Report

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted.

FIRE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Robert Moyer

Robert will provide additional information to Colleen for her to prepare the Volunteer Firefighters Earned Income Tax Credit Ordinance.
PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Douglas Hartman

Zoning Committee is scheduled to meet Wednesday, October 9, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert

No Report

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley

Pat thanked the following: The Mayor – Judge for Costume Contest; Beth for assistance on the Teak Torch set-up and ushering the kids for the Costume Contest; Jim O’Connor for assistance on set-up in the morning; Joe and Kris for the fence set-up and clean-up; and Melody, Pam Grunwald, and Kerry for ticket sales and handling the overall money. The event was also a success because of the Park Board and the many volunteers.

Pat reported that the Fall Festival grossed $6,039.21. The highest total since 2017 Fall Festival ($5,633 with the Silent Auction being $885). A washer pitch was added to the games this year. The Haunted walk attendance (250) was up over previous years.

Pat attributed the results to the good weather and the schedule of the event being changed from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm to 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/POLICE – Elizabeth Lindsay

Code Enforcement issues are starting to slow down.

Beth is working with the Police Department on the Police Contract.

Beth provided copies of the “Recycling Round-up” produced by the Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel

Bill reported the Borough was under budgeting spending by $21,000. Bill’s tentative projection is that we will perform better then the shortfall of $30,000 budgeted.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Report Submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Revised MMO for the Uniform Pension is $19,904.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2020 Budgets including 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. Council members have submitted their 2020 Budget worksheets during the last week. Kerry intends to have a preliminary budget ready for the October 21 Budget meeting. Council discussed paving projects and whether to consider obtaining another PIB (PA Infrastructure Bank) Loan. This would free up Capital Dollars allocated to street paving for other Capital Projects.

Discussion under Robert Moyer’s Report on tax relief for the Volunteer Firefighters.

Municipal Trash - With the sale of one of the trash haulers and some issues that occurred, Beth recommended looking into municipal trash once some of the hauler’s issues are resolved.

Recreational Vehicles Parking on Streets – Beth recommended that issues with this could be handled on a case by case basis. The Borough office would need to be contacted. This may require the current ordinance being revised. Kerry mentioned that at the last meeting, Colleen had recommended that it probably time (10 years since last done) to review all ordinance.

Review repealed Chapter 25 – Trees, pertaining to tree heights and shrubs partially obstructing sidewalks and roadways. This will be done with the review of ordinances overall. Kerry had contacted Chris Miller, Code Officer about if this issue could be addressed under the International Property Maintenance Code. Chris’s initial thoughts were that it could be done.

Belltown Panel – Solar Panel Farm on Agricultural Zoned Land. North Annville Township had advertised an ordinance to allow Solar Panels in an Agricultural Zoned Land. There has been no follow-up contact with Council.

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 September 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

Patrick Haley wanted to thank Sargent Rager for working overtime to cover the Fall Festival.

A motion was made by Robert Moyer, second by Patrick Haley to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:45 pm for a personnel issue.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager