

The regular monthly meeting of the Ebensburg Borough Council was called to order on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ebensburg Municipal Building, 300 W. High Street, Ebensburg, by Council President Doug Tusing.

Present: Doug Tusing, President
Susan Barber, Vice President
Cecilia Houser
Dave Kuhar
Theresa Jacoby
John Cobaugh

Absent: Joe Miller

Others: Daniel Penatzer, Borough Manager
Jeff Evans, Public Works Director
Randy Datsko, Mayor
Danea Koss, Community Development Director
Samantha Kemock, Recreation Director
Blair Pawlowski, Solicitor
Josh Byers, The Mountaineer-Herald
Sean Sauro, The Altoona Mirror

Audience: 5

A. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. **Public Comments** – Mr. Tusing noted that the meeting was being recorded by Josh Byers.

C. **Consent Agenda**

Ms. Barber made a motion to approve the consent agenda containing the following items. (Cobaugh) Motion passed unanimously.

1. Approve the minutes of the March 27, 2017 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.
2. Approve the Financial Statement.
3. Approve payment of the bills.

D. **Appointment to Address Council** – None.

E. **Mayor's Report** – Mayor Datsko announced that Chief Wyland had something come up unexpectedly and was not able to attend the meeting.

F. **Council President** – Mr. Tusing announced that May 16th is the primary election and that there are three Council seats up for reelection, as well as the Mayor and Tax Collector positions. He added that May 9th is the last day to get an absentee ballot.

Mr. Tusing added that Chief Wyland was selected and would be honored at the Carrollian Gala on April 29th as one of five graduates who have made a significant impact on the community. He acknowledged and thanked Terry for his service.

G. Water/Wastewater Committee

1. Mark Wirfel, plant supervisor, reported on activities at the water treatment plant. The plant returned 40 million gallons of clean water to Howells Run, all tests and operational requirements were met for March, 21.5 tons of sludge were sent to the landfill and there were no excursions for the month of April. Mr. Wirfel invited visitors to stop in at the plant any time, to meet with staff and to see all that they are doing.
2. **Disinfection Byproducts**
Mr. Kuhar reported that the need for flushing of the Saltlick line and the cleaning of the Ogden tank was discussed last month. The line from Saltlick to the tank has already been flushed. Utility Service Company will be in this week to clean the tank. The line will then be flushed from the tank to the Industrial Park. Recent test results still exceed the permitted maximum for HAA5, and results for TTHM are just under the maximum.
3. **Beech Street Stormwater**
Mr. Kuhar reported that the contractor has completed all work in the stream channel and in the street. Work now is extending through the fairgrounds property toward the holding pond and the new diversion structure. The project should be wrapping up soon.
4. **Pressure Testing Compliance**
Mr. Kuhar shared that a total of 92 compliance notices were mailed to customers in Elderwood and Industrial Park. Thus far, six have complied with pressure testing. Staff noted the pre-sale pressure testing is consuming a great deal of time and there have been several situations that have required the borough to perform some additional work.

H. Recreation Committee

1. Recreation Director

Ms. Barber announced that Samantha Kemock, Recreation Director had resigned effective April 28th. She has accepted a position with the Centre Region's recreation program. The position has been advertised, with twenty-five applications received. Interviews for twelve of the applicants are being conducted and a selection is expected to be made soon.

2. Swimming Pool

Ms. Barber shared the pool is scheduled to be open on Saturday, May 27th. It has been drained and cleaned and will soon be refilled. Several heater and pump parts have been ordered for repairs. The new pool manager and head lifeguard have already met with Ms. Kemock in order to assure a smooth transition. Season passes can be purchased at the

YPCC, and the “swipe cards” are provided to all season patrons age 13 and older. Individual passes are \$120; family passes are \$205.

3. Tennis Center Lighting

The new lighting at the tennis center has been completed for several months, and the response has been very positive. The contract included the completion of the rebate application, and that has not yet been completed. No payment has been made on the lighting project yet.

4. YPCC Gym Floor

Ms. Jacoby shared that arrangements are being made for resurfacing of the YPCC’s gym floor. The project will include sanding, new line marking and recoating, and should be completed in early June. The project is included in the capital budget for \$8,400 and we now expect it will be completed for less than that. It will be necessary to close the gym for a two week period following the resurfacing.

Certain types of events held at the YPCC damage the floor. After those already scheduled for May, the gym will no longer be rented for large gatherings and fundraisers involving large numbers of tables and chairs, or the serving of large numbers of drinks.

I. Street Committee - None.

J. Administration Committee

1. Summer Workers

Ms. Jacoby shared that applications for summer positions were due on March 27th and staff has reviewed those. The following are recommended for summer employment.

Summer Maintenance

Nathan Knopp	East High Street	4 th yr.
Zachary Nedwreski	Municipal Road	3 rd yr.
Dontae O’Neal	Manor Drive	1 st yr.
Shane Hunt	Municipal Road	1 st year

Summer Public Works

Will Seymour	South Center Street	2 nd yr.
James McCulley	West Ogle Street	2 nd yr.

Memorial Field

Evan Bopp	Winterset Road	1 st yr.
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Swimming Pool Manager

Phillip Miller	A Frame Road	4 th yr.
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Head Lifeguard

Tyler Weigle Mineral Point 5th yr.

Lifeguards

Gabrielle Girona A-Frame Rd. 5th yr.
Jordan Johnson East Highland Avenue 5th yr.
Jocelyn Simmers Vetera Road 4th yr.
Zander Johnson East Highland Avenue 3rd yr.
Megan Orange Tibbott Street 2nd yr.
Vincent Drapela Winterset Road 1st yr.
Cassandra Gabrielson Genwood Road 1st yr.
Nolan Johnson East Highland Avenue 1st yr.
Adam Savka North Julian Street 1st yr.
Cassidy Gelormino South Phaney Street 1st yr.
Samuel Swope Emerald Drive 1st yr.
Nathan Dill A Frame Road 1st yr.
Elizabeth Cronauer Glenwood Drive 1st yr.

Concessions

Madyson Simmers Vetera Road 4th yr.
Hannah Sivi Salix 1st yr.
Jenna Bauer Sylvan Glen Drive 1st yr.

Office Assistant

Melissa Leary W. Crawford Street 1st yr.

Make it a matter of record that the persons listed above have been hired to the respective positions in public works, summer maintenance, Memorial Field, lifeguards, concessions and office assistant at the rate of \$8.50/hr.

Make it a matter of record that the persons listed above have been hired as Pool Manager and Head Lifeguard at the rate of \$12.50/hr. and \$9.50/hr., respectively.

Make it a matter of record that Ronald Springer has been hired as landscaper at the rate of \$9.25/hr.

2. YPCC Janitorial Position

The part-time janitorial and front desk positions at the YPCC each pay \$8.50/hr. Total combined hours worked is 50-55/week. The Recreation Director recommends combining the two positions into one, paying \$9.50/hr. for 30-35 hours/week. The weekly savings will be approximately \$100.

Ms. Jacoby made a motion to approve combining the YPCC janitorial and front desk

positions at a rate of \$9.50/hr. effective 4/24/17, for a 3-month trial period. (Barber)
Motion passed unanimously.

3. Outside Employment

Make it a matter of record that the Borough Manager has been hired on a temporary part-time basis by the county to conduct a performance audit of a department.

K. General Business

Sale of Backhoe

Mr. Penatzer shared that the 1999 backhoe was recently replaced with a new machine. The old machine was advertised for sale. The value was estimated to be \$15 - \$17,000. Bids were due on on April 17th. The following bids were received:

Barney Chappell	Ebensburg	\$20,021.00
D. J. Greathouse	Stoystown	\$15,500.00
Mike Veneziano	Bellefonte	\$14,505.00
Allan Petak	Mineral Point	\$13,750.00
Samuel Firestone	York	\$11,051.00
Alan Mihakik	Johnstown	\$ 6,200.00
Kevin Hite	Ebensburg	\$ 5,561.00
Gaudino Brothers	Freedom	\$ 3,085.00

Mr. Cobaugh made a motion to approve the sale of the 1999 backhoe to Barney Chappell in the amount of \$20,021.00. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.

L. Department Reports

- 1. Police Department** – None.
- 2. Public Works Department** – Mr. Evans reported on last month's activities including cleaning of the Ogden tank, the stormwater project at the fairgrounds, cleaning the swimming pool and placement of the yard waste container.
- 3. Community Development Department**
Ms. Koss reported on last month's activities including the Main Street Program's participation in the Adopt-A-Highway program, event update including Art in Bloom, Wheels & Wings, Concerts in the Park and this year's Movie in the Park, and the Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony on Monday, May 29th.
- 4. Recreation Department** – Ms. Kemock reported on last month's activities including the winter leagues, the women's club donation of \$500 for new equipment and scheduling a lifeguard refresher course with Rory Coleman. She thanked Council for the opportunity to serve as the recreation director.

M. **Media Comments/Questions** – None.

N. **Public Comments** – None.

There being no further business Mr. Cobaugh made a motion to adjourn. (Jacoby) Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:49 PM

Minutes Recorded by: Danae Koss, Community Development Director