

A regular meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers at the Myerstown Community Center, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

Present were: President Bryan L. Rittle, Vice-President Michael D. Behm, President Pro Tem Park W. Haverstick, II, Councilmembers Eric L. Powell, Ronald L. Ream, Dana Reich, and Jeffrey L. Thomas, Solicitor Amy Leonard, Treasurer Lee C. Smith, Code Enforcement Officer John Neely, Assistant Manager Barry A. Ludwig, and Manager Michael R. McKenna. Absent was Mayor Gloria R. Ebling.

The President of Council opened the meeting at 6:35 p.m. and asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dana Reich moved and Park W. Haverstick, II seconded to dispense with the reading of and approve the minutes of the previous month's meetings, held on March 12 and March 13, 2018. Motion carried. Eric L. Powell abstained from voting and provided a written statement with his reason for abstaining.

The President of Council opened the floor for citizens' and visitors' comments.

Joann Steffy of 305 S Broad St expressed concern about criminal activity at 10 E Mill Ave. There was a discussion with Council about the lack of police presence in the borough, and the alleged ineffectiveness of the State Police in local enforcement.

Scott Yeagley requested Council reconsider the location of the scoreboards to be erected at the Legion Field. No action was taken.

Brian Boltz of 16 W Washington Ave requested recognition for the fire department and EMS after they selflessly aided his wife during an emergency.

The following reports were presented to Council and placed on file: Code Enforcement Officer's Report, Assistant Manager's Report, Solicitor's Report and Manager's Report.

Ronald L. Ream moved and Dana Reich seconded to authorize the Public Works Department to mow the islands on US-422. Motion carried unanimously.

Park W. Haverstick, II moved and Michael D. Behm seconded to amend the previous motion to be contingent upon receiving written permission from PennDOT.

Council Committee items were discussed.

Michael D. Behm moved and Dana Reich seconded to accept the monthly Treasurer's Report and place on file for audit. Motion unanimously carried.

Eric L. Powell moved and Jeffrey L. Thomas seconded to accept the payment of bills as submitted. Motion unanimously carried.

Dana Reich moved and Ronald L. Ream seconded to approve for the Borough Manager to hire pool staff for the 2018 season. Motion unanimously carried.

Park W. Haverstick, II moved and Ronald L. Ream seconded to approve two work orders by Choice Communications to install door hardware in the doors at the Myerstown Community Center. Motion unanimously carried.

The Borough Council recessed the regular meeting and entered Executive Session at 9:43 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

The Borough Council returned from Executive Session at 9:50 p.m. reconvening the regular session.

The President asked if there were any additional comments for the good of the borough. Seeing none Park W. Haverstick, II moved and Jeffrey L. Thomas seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R. McKenna, MPA  
Borough Manager/Secretary