

President Bryan L. Rittle called the regular monthly meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council to order at 6:35 p.m., on Tuesday, November 14, 2017. The meeting was held in Borough Council Chambers at the Myerstown Municipal Center, 101 S. Railroad Street, Myerstown, PA 17067.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a roll call was taken. 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, Jeffrey L. Thomas, Mayor Gloria R. Ebling, Solicitor Frederick S. Wolf, Treasurer Lee C. Smith, Assistant Manager Barry A. Ludwig, and Manager Michael R. McKenna.

A motion was made by Dana Reich, seconded by Jeffrey L. Thomas, to dispense with the reading of and approve the minutes of the previous month's meetings held on October 9, October 10, and October 11, 2017. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

The President opened the floor for Citizens and Visitors Comments:

Shane Pacine – 125 S. Broad St. – Mr. Pacine told the Council that his dog was attacked by a stray cat approximately four weeks ago. He expressed concern that his neighbors feed stray cats, and there are approximately 8 or 9 in the neighborhood.

Borough Note Counsel Joseph K. Pierce, Esq. of Eckert, Seamans, Cherin & Mellot, LLC and Borough Financial Advisor Daryl S. Peck of Concord Public Financial Advisors, Inc. presented Ordinance 843 for the General Obligation Note financing for in the approximate amount of \$1,000,000 plus costs.

A motion was made by Park W. Haverstick, II, seconded by Michael D. Behm to approve Ordinance 843 for the General Obligation Note financing for in the approximate amount of \$1,000,000 plus costs. All those in favor: On a roll call vote, Park W. Haverstick, II – yes; Eric L. Powell – yes; Ronald L. Ream – yes; Jeffrey L. Thomas – yes; Dana Reich – yes; Michael D. Behm – yes; and Bryan L. Rittle – yes. Motion unanimously carried.

The following reports were presented to Council: Mayor's Report, Code Enforcement Officer's Report;

James Rittle – 210 S. Railroad St – Mr. Rittle presented a concern about the possibility of a Kennel on Park Street.

The following reports were presented to Council: Solicitor's Report, Assistant Manager's Report, and Manager's Report.

A motion was made by Michael D. Behm, seconded by Eric L. Powell, to approve the Treasurer's Report and have it on file for audit. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Michael D. Behm, seconded by Park W. Haverstick, II, to accept the payment of bills as submitted. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

The President proceeded to the agenda's order of the business:

Heather Bowman and Char Newswanger from Char Co. presented the branding and marketing materials they created for the Borough.

A motion was made by Park W. Haverstick, II, seconded by Dana Reich, to approve the proposed Operating and Reserve Wastewater Budgets and authorize the advertisement for inspection. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

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A motion was made by Michael D. Behm, seconded by Park W. Haverstick, II, to approve the proposed Operating and Reserve General Fund Budgets and authorize the advertisement for inspection. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Ronald L. Ream, seconded by Eric L. Powell, to approve the proposed Special Funds Budgets and authorize the advertisement for inspection. (Pool Capital Construction, Municipal Bldg. Capital Construction, Unemployment, Liquid Fuels, Beautification, Street Light, and Swimming Pool) All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Park W. Haverstick, II, seconded by Michael D. Behm, to approve the Solicitor to draft and advertise Ordinance 844 to set the Property Tax and Street Light Tax for 2018. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Park W. Haverstick, II, seconded by Dana Reich, to approve pay applications for the Myerstown Community Center project for Spotts Brothers for \$2,985, and Woodland Contractors for \$5,504. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Michael D. Behm, seconded by Eric L. Powell, to approve the Auditing Contract from Stanilla, Siegel and Maser, LLC for the Borough and Wastewater Funds. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

On behalf of the Lantern Lodge, Councilmember Eric L. Powell presented a Bicentennial china plate that was recently discovered containing an image of the Hercleroth-Meier House. The Lantern Lodge is donating the plate to the Borough to be displayed as it determines best fit.

The Borough Council recessed the regular meeting and entered Executive Session at 8:31 p.m. to discuss legal and personnel matters.

The Borough Council returned from Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. reconvening the regular session and resumed consideration of and action on the regular meeting agenda.

The President asked if there were any additional comments for the good of the borough. Seeing none, a motion was made by Dana Reich, seconded by Jeffrey L. Thomas, to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. All those in favor: Motion unanimously carried.

Michael R. McKenna, MPA  
Borough Manager