# DALLASTOWN BOROUGH 175 E. BROAD STREET DALLASTOWN, PA 17313 COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 10, 2018 – 7:00 PM

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Dallastown Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Ronald Smith, followed by prayer, pledge of allegiance and roll call.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ronald Smith – President
Tomas Metz – Vice President
Gina Smith – President Pro Tem
Paul Liesman
David Simpson
Kim Sterner
Brad Capatch

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

Terry Meyers, Sr. – Mayor Connie Stokes – Borough Manager Peter Ruth – Stock & Leader – Solicitor Steve Malesker – C.S. Davidson – Engineer Joe Joines – Borough Maintenance

#### **VISITORS**

Bob Melcher – 140 N. Lombard St, Dallastown Rebecca Melcher – 140 N. Lombard St, Dallastown David Ruiz, Jr. – 138 N. Lombard St, Dallastown Matt Shields – Rescue Fire Company Bill Henry – Red Lion Cpl. Miller – York Area Regional Police Dept. Kevin Booker – 20 S. Charles St, Dallastown

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Read by Mr. Metz)

- December 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> The Office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday.
- January 1<sup>st</sup> The Office will be closed for the New Year's Holiday.
- January 26<sup>th</sup> The Borough Appreciation Night will be held at the Rescue Fire Company starting at 6 pm.

# **APPROVAL OF THE 11/13/18 MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. Smith found an error on page 3, under Visitors #5. The second line should read Mr. Smith not Ms. Smith. The correction will be made.

**Motion:** Ms. Smith moved and was seconded by Mr. Liesman to approve the 11/13/18 meeting minutes with the correction to page 3.

Motion carried 7-0.

# **APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Motion:** Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Liesman to approve the payment of bills as presented. **Motion carried 7-0.** 

#### **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Motion:** Mr. Liesman moved and was seconded by Mr. Capatch to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 7-0.

#### **POLICE REPORT**

Cpl. Miller was the representative present from York Area Regional Police Department.

- Residents should be mindful & vigilant with locking their car doors and having packages delivered to their residences. Theft is on the rise.
- Please call the police department if you see individuals in the act of destroying Christmas decorations.

#### FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Chief Matt Shields of Dallastown Rescue Fire Company gave the fire company report.

- They had a total of 78 calls for the month of November with 13 of them being in the Borough. The year-to-date total, as of the end of November, is 600 calls.
- The meeting that was scheduled between 4 of the local fire companies concerning the merger had to be postponed due to the weather. They will vote at their regular January Fire Company meeting. The votes will be sealed and the 4 fire companies will meet on January 22<sup>nd</sup> where ballots will be opened. Chief Shields will advise the Borough of the results.
- Donny Webb is not doing his annual Christmas Lights and Food Drive this year, so the Fire Company has taken it upon themselves to do the Food Drive. They were at Jerry's for 4 hours this past Saturday collecting canned goods, plus they collected over \$400.00 in donations for the Food Bank. They will be at Nell's this coming Saturday for 4 hours also. On Sunday, they will be following fire trucks with Santa around town, collecting canned goods and saying "Merry Christmas" to all the residents.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Meyers had nothing to report.

# **VISITORS**

- David Ruiz of 138 N. Lombard Street addressed Council concerning the quick claim deed that the new owner of 258 Railroad Street is requesting. The neighbors on Lombard use that un-adopted alley to access their garages which is the only parking they have since there is no on-street parking. None of the neighbors are in favor of the quick claim deed & are not sure why this is all coming about. They all have been very accommodating to Mr. Godfrey, the new owner, with the work he has done to the building, but are not sure why he is doing this. Attorney Ruth stated that the Borough has no claim to that road & it comes down to private property. The Borough will not sign anything until the property owners have a discussion and define the purpose for the quick claim. Attorney Ruth has been speaking with Attorney John Senft, Mr. Godfrey's attorney, and would like contact information for the neighbors, in order to reach out and speak directly with them.
- Mr. Melcher of 140 N. Lombard, also referring to the quick claim deed, stated that he is a disabled vet and has a pacemaker. If he has an emergency, he can't have anything impeding his entrance and exit from his home.
- Kevin Booker of 20 S. Charles Street received a phone call from the Borough concerning the parking situation with a truck & flatbed that he owns. He was told that neighbors are complaining about where he parks at S. Charles & E. Howard Streets. He responds to emergency roadside calls all hours and must

have his equipment accessible. Mr. Smith stated that where he parks on Howard is angled parking and not parallel parking and he is taking 3-4 spaces away by parking parallel. There is an ordinance that prohibits that type of parking and the Borough must enforce, being fair to all residents. Any time there is a complaint, it must be investigated. Mr. Booker asked if he would be allowed to parallel park on a portion of S. Charles Street. Council agreed that as long as it does not impose a traffic hazard, they would be okay with that.

# **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Ordinance #592-18 Fixing Tax Rates for the 2019 Fiscal Year was ready for approval.

**Motion:** Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Liesman to approve Ordinance #592-18. **Motion carried 7-0.** 

The 2019 Budget was ready for Council to adopt.

**Motion:** Mr. Liesman moved and was seconded by Ms. Smith to approve the 2019 Budget. **Motion carried 7-0.** 

- There is no update on the Quick Claim Deed.
- There is no update on the fireworks ordinance.

#### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

C.S. Davidson's office received Contract Change Order #3 from Kinsley Construction for the 10 different paving projects of 2018 in the Borough. The result of the change order was a net decrease of \$29,646.75 plus an increase in the contract time until 5/31/19. They will honor their pricing.
 Motion: Mr. Liesman moved and was seconded by Mr. Capatch to approve Contract Change Order #3 with Kinsley Construction for the 2018 paving projects.

Motion carried 7-0.

• C.S. Davidson's office also received Application for Payment #1 from Kinsley Construction for the paying projects. Ms. Stokes asked that the Gay Street project be broken out in order for it to be paid using the Liquid Fuel account instead of General Fund. The total amount was \$222,566.18, with \$165,685.63 being paid from General Fund and \$56,880.55 being paid from Liquid Fuel.

**Motion:** Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Capatch to approve the Gay Street portion of Application for Payment #1 in the amount of \$56,880.55 to Kinsley Construction from the Liquid Funds account.

Motion carried 7-0.

**Motion:** Mr. Liesman moved and was seconded by Mr. Capatch to approve the balance of Application for Payment #1 in the amount of \$165,685.63 to Kinsley Construction from the General Fund account. **Motion carried 7-0.** 

#### **BUSINESS FOR ACTION**

There was no business for action.

# **BUSINESS FOR INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

- There was no zoning report due to the Zoning Officer being absent.
- Mr. Smith announced Rescue Fire Company's Appreciation Dinner on January 19, 2019. Social hour starts at 5:00 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. If any Council member is planning to attend, he or she is to contact Ms. Stokes at the Borough Office.

# **REPORTS**

- Police Reports
- Animal Control Report
- Red Lion Ambulance Report

# **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Mr. Liesman moved and was seconded by Mr. Simpson to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried 7-0.** 

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Wertz