

## PORT ROYAL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

March 14, 2022

The Port Royal Borough Council held their monthly meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 7 pm at 111 East Eighth Street, Port Royal, PA 17082.

Members present were President, Mary Hubler, Vice President Brooks Gamble, Council Members, Adam Bryner, Bonny Ellis, Linda Pray, Glenda Leister, Nicholas Walters, Mayor Dan Henry, Jr Council Person Olivia Gamble, Council Member.

Others present were Kimbra Gray, Borough Secretary/Treasurer, Brian Book, Engineer cb<sup>3</sup> Solutions, Paulette Forry, Editor The Times, Becky Lock, Editor Juniata Sentinel, Borough Residents, Dave & Deb Martin, Dylan Cisney, John Towsey, Caleb Shertzer, Zack Bomberger, Kevin Carpenter and Grace Goss.

President of Council, Mary Hubler, brought the meeting to order and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance at approximately 7 pm.

**MOTION** was made by Adam Bryner to approve Minutes of the February Meeting with corrections as noted by Glenda Leister to January and February Minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brooks Gamble, approved by all, motion carried.

**MOTION** was made by Bonny Ellis to approve the Borough Bills for February, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenda Leister, approved by all, motion carried.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to approve the February Treasurer's Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nick Walters, approved by all, motion carried.

**MOTION** was made by Adam Bryner to approve the Code Enforcement Officer's Report for February, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenda Leister, approved by all, motion carried.

**Solicitor's Update:** Randall Zimmerman noted he had spoken with the Port Royal Speedway's lawyer. The speedway made a proposal to resolve several outstanding issues, he conveyed his conversation to Mary, council president so that it could be presented to council for discussion in executive session. Council acknowledged that they did not plan to reconvene to act on any of the items discussed. When asked, Attorney Zimmerman said the reason for the executive session was to discuss "pending or threatened legal action."

### Public Comments

Residents again questioned the agreement between the Agricultural Society and the Borough. Grace Goss brought up that the clause does not hurt the speedway, it hurts the kid in this county. Solicitor Zimmerman reiterated that the zoning hearing board would render a decision and they did. All interested parties had 30-days to appeal. With no appeal, it became a final order. Councilwoman Glenda Leister asked who determined the stipulations in the agreement. Solicitor Zimmerman responded to her that the Agricultural Society let the Borough know what they needed, and they chose the time frames. President Hubler spoke up that the Borough gave everything that they wanted. Councilwomen Leister then questioned who put the language in the contract. Answer to her question

was the agreement was generated by discussion with both parties. Resident Dylan Cisney disagrees that it was a mutual agreement, and the ag society did not want to move the campground, but the people at the table did. Residents asked what was involved to move a campground. Solicitor Zimmerman couldn't answer the question until the move was complete. There are stipulations that need to be complied with and it's the speedways duty to determine what they are and how to comply. It is not the responsibility of the Borough. Resident Caleb Shertzer believes that the only way to resolve the issues is to impose fines for infractions committed by any borough resident or entity and to make them high enough to hinder further infractions.

**Brian Book, Engineer cb<sup>3</sup> Solutions, LLC**

**Grants:** The Authority applied for a DCED Local Share, Statewide, Grant in the amount of \$960,222 for the combined work on Milford & 8th Streets. Borough has until 2025 to spend their portion of the grants.

**SR75 Bridge:** No Updates

**Long Range Project Planning:** Met with Randy Williamson and discussed the efforts to date on Moyer Park, Milford & 8th Street, and the Truck. A "wish list" was discussed and another meeting will be scheduled to prioritize the Borough's needs.

**Stormwater:** The Army Corp of Engineers will begin the Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) work shortly. We should assemble any Stormwater documents for them. The current contact is Karl Kerr, ACOE, 410-962-4417 & Karl.Kerr@usace.army.mil.

**Ag Barn:** The Agricultural Society is planning to install a 2-inch water service to the barn, and they were instructed to come to the Borough about ROW impacts to 8th Street.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to accept the Maintenance Report for February, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glenda Leister, approved by all, motion carried.

Randy Williamson was in attendance and updated his progress with upcoming events. A representative from Senator Corman's office is to appear at 9am next Monday, March 21, for a photo op with the new truck purchased with a grant through his office.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to order an additional 10 trash receptacles to place through heavily walked areas in town, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nick Walters, approved by all, motion carried. Suggestions for placement were Milford, Ninth & Eighth Streets and Fourth & Fifth Streets.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to purchase an additional 2 loads of salt at the offer of 3% reduction in price, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adam Bryner, approved by all, motion carried.

Spring Cleanup was discussed. Additional items will be accepted this year. Electronics will be accepted for a \$10.00 fee (keyboard, mice and computer will be considered one item) and the council nor staff will be responsible for any information on electronics. Regular tires will be accepted for \$5.00 with larger or tractor tires \$10.00. Appliances will also be accepted with no cost to the resident. All funds raised for scrap sales will be used to upgrade the equipment and tools in the shop. One load will be accepted from each residence with drop off hours being Monday & Tuesday 8 am to 4 pm; Wednesday through Friday 8 am to 7 pm and Saturday 8 am until noon.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to approve Teresa Murphy for the Board of Directors for the Port Royal Municipal Authority, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adam Bryner, approved by all, motion carried.

Moyer Park is unlocked for the season and will open fully on April 1st. Porta Pots need to be cleaned and repaired.

Glenda Leister has been working with the members of the Port Royal Lions Club Easter activities.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to donate \$150.00 toward the Easter expenses, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Pray, approved by all, motion carried.

Several ideas were suggested for community events and gatherings and will be addressed at upcoming meetings.

Notices will be given out in the future for blockages in the alley ways.

**MOTION** was made by Brooks Gamble to move to an executive session at 8:33 pm to address the legal issues with the Juniata County Agricultural Society/Port Royal Speedway, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Adam Bryner, approved by all, motion carried.

**MOTION** was made to adjourn from the executive session and conclude the meeting at 9:23 pm by Linda Pray, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonny Ellis, approved by all, motion carried.

Respectively Submitted,

Kimbra Jo Gray  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

Next Meeting: Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7 p.m.