

PORT ROYAL BOROUGH COUNCIL

August 12, 2024

The Port Royal Borough Council held their monthly meeting on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7 pm at 111 East Eighth Street, Port Royal, PA 17082.

Members present were Vice-President Glenda Leister, Council Members, John Towsey, Teresa Murphy, Grace Goss, and Mayor, Dylan Cisney. Council President Adam Bryner and Member Nicholas Walters were not in attendance.

Others present were Kimbra Jo Gray, Borough Secretary/Treasurer, Brian Book, Engineer cb3 Solutions, Becky Lock, Juniata Sentinel and Paulette Forry, Port Royal Times.

FIRST ON THE AGENDA

Vice-President Glenda Leister led the meeting in the absence of President Adam Bryner. She began by requesting a moment of silence in honor of fellow council member Steve Bargo who recently passed.

MOTION was made by Grace Goss to form a Vacancy Board to seek a new council member to fill Steve Bargo's term that will end in 2025, 2nd by Teresa Murphy, approved by all, motion carried.

The council members appointed to the vacancy board included John Towsey, Grace Goss and Teresa Murphy.

MOTION was made by Teresa Murphy to approve Minutes of the July meeting, 2nd by John Towsey, approved by all, motion carried.

MOTION was made by Grace Goss to approve Borough Bills for the month of July, 2nd by Teresa Murphy, approved by all, motion carried.

There were no new requests for information on Land Use Permits.

Public Comments – There were no public comments.

Brian Book, Engineer cb3 Solutions, LLC

Milford & Eighth Street Project – Application has been made to receive grant funds from DCED for Phase I. MidState Paving plans remain the same and will avoid any disturbances during the County Fair. Inlet structures have been ordered and will be arriving soon. If allowable, stormwater facilities may be installed prior to the fair. Any street work will take place after the fair.

Community Center – The grant application was submitted. Awards will be granted at either the September or November Commonwealth Financing Authority's meeting.

Sewer Authority Support Letter – The Port Royal Municipal Authority has requested a letter of support be addressed to PennVEST to be submitted with their application.

MOTION was made by John Towsey to approve President Adam Bryner to sign the letter of support for the Port Royal Municipal Authority's application to PennVEST, 2nd by Grace Goss, approved by all, motion carried.

For Information Only: Norfolk Southern/PennDOT has included the Port Royal Municipal Authority as a party to the Stormwater pipe dispute that flows under the tracks.

MOTION was made by Teresa Murphy to accept the Engineers Report for July, 2nd by John Towsey, approved by all, motion carried.

Maintenance Report

Moyer Park -- The tennis court project is complete.

The stormwater box on Main Street was not the issue for the property owner on Main Street. It's believed that the problem is caused by spouting or a basement drain.

Court Lane has been repaired. John Towsey will talk to JCAS officials to see about a shallow inlet box being installed.

MOTION was made by Teresa Murphy to accept the Maintenance Report for July, 2nd by Grace Goss, approved by all, motion carried.

Ordinance Committee

The amended Rental Ordinance has been advertised and posted for 30 days.

MOTION was made by Grace Goss to adopt the amended Rental Ordinance (Ordinance No. 1 of 2024) as published, 2nd by Teresa Murphy, approved by all, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Vice President Glenda Leister distributed information to councilmembers assisting with the Low/Moderated Income Survey. A percentage of random residents will be surveyed to determine eligibility for the County CDBG grant funding next year. If eligible the survey will allow the Borough a 5-year window for funding projects. The pilot project would be for funding the community building/firehall.

Eagle Scout Tree Planting Project is progressing. A meeting will be held to discuss the number and type of trees that could be planted. The Juniata County Agricultural Society has been included along with the Borough to be the recipients of the trees.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION was made by Grace Goss to approve the appointment of resident Dale Shields to the Port Royal Municipal Authority to fill the seat that has been since the resignation of Gladys Boyer, 2nd by John Towsey, approved by all, motion carried.

A **Budget Workshop** has been scheduled for Monday, September 23rd, at 6 pm.

General Discussion

Discussion was held on a proposal from Blue Valley Industries for a memorial bench in Steve's memory. The proposal includes a 6' powder-coated bench with a 4"x6" bronze plaque. To date \$525.00 has been received with more being anticipated.

MOTION was made by Teresa Murphy to order the 6' memorial bench in memory of councilmember Steven Bargo, 2nd by John Towsey, approved by all, motion carried.

John Towsey thanked Borough resident, Robert "Bob" Page for the donation of his artwork that has been put on display in the Borough building.

Mayor Dylan Cisney updated the Military Banner project. He was able to gain access to the original username and password from the original account set up by the late Clarence Allen to order new banners.

Grace Goss mentioned that the Christmas Parade will be held, Saturday, December 7th starting at 5 pm.

MOTION was made by Teresa Murphy to approve Saturday, December 7th Christmas Parade, 2nd by John Towsey, approved by all, motion carried.

Brian Book informed everyone that he would be "swimming with the fishes" the end of September/beginning of October for a vacation.

MOTION was made at 8:04 pm by Teresa Murphy to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Grace Goss, approved by all, motion carried.

Respectively Submitted,
Kimbra Jo Gray
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

Next Meeting: Monday, September 9, 2024, at 7 pm