

ASHLEY BOROUGH

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Brian Casey

Frank Sorokach, Council Vice Chair

Carl Byra

Gerald Maldonado

Brian Demchak

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Lisa Scharer, Borough Secretary

Moses & Galso LLP, Solicitor

ASHLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES

JULY 13, 2021

Attendance:

Lisa Wildes- Present

Frank Sorokach- Present

Gerald Maldonado- Present

Brian Casey- Absent

Carl Byra- Present

Brian Demchak- Absent

Mayor Donald Sipple Sr- Present

Secretary Lisa Scharer- Present

Police Chief David Fedorczyk- Present

Peter John Moses, Solicitor - Present

Code Enforcement Officer David Watkins- Present

Meeting was called to order by Attorney Moses. Attorney Moses called roll for Council, Mayor and Borough Officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all,

COUNCIL AND BOROUGH OFFICIAL PRESENTATIONS

Lisa Wildes- Ms. Wildes opened with an inquiry about the Carey St bridge. Mr Maldonado informed her that he has a call in to Penn Dot and is waiting for a return call.

Ms Wildes additionally expressed concern about the Rodgers St bridge. She stated there is a considerable amount of corrosion, pollution and sewage. She also expressed her fear of the bridge collapsing. Mr. Maldonado informed her that he had Penn Dot look at the structure and he was told it required extensive construction. Mr. Sorokach added that the street department did a wonderful job clearing the brush.

Additionally, Ms. Wildes asked if the salt shed was movable. She added that she would like it to be moved before the sale of the 8/10 N Main St building. Mr Byra informed her that the building is in poor condition and cannot be moved. He feels that the blocks are in good condition but the structure needs to be rebuilt. When asked if the repairs were budgeted, Mr. Byra stated that they had been in 2020 but that the cost of materials have increased significantly and we would have to revisit the budget.

Frank Sorokach- Mr. Sorokach opened by inquiring about the progress of the audit. Ms. Wildes informed him that Prociak and Associates would be here on Thursday July 15th.

My Sorokach also inquired about the line painting for driveways in Carey's Patch. He stated that the borough had painted them in the past and feels they should again. Ms. Wildes asked if there was proof that they were there before and Mr Maldonado said that due to the condition of the roads prior to paving, the lines were no longer visible.

Gerry Maldonado- Mr. Maldonado opened by addressing the fact that there are no manholes on Ashley St. He fears that should a sewer problem arise it would create a larger issue for the borough. Ms. Wildes asked that if the State would be responsible for the work. Mr. Maldonado informed her that they would not be

since the borough is responsible for the sewers. Mr. Byra asked if the cost could be taken from the sewer fund. Mr. Maldonado informed him that it can.

Mr. Maldonado added that the Multi Modal would pave Main St. but inquired if the State would fund the drains. It was determined that we would need to apply for a grant. He added that the sink hole would also be taken care of.

Lastly, Mr. Maldonado addressed a vehicle parked at the corner of Main and Wyoming Sts. He stated the vehicle is not registered nor inspected and the bumper is hanging off.

Carl Byra- Mr. Byra opened by stating that Jeff Moore of Lyon's Recreation is preparing a quote for new playground equipment. Mr. Maldonado asked if the plywood had been replaced. Mr. Byra said it had not but that there would be a slide there. Mr. Maldonado stated that it should be blocked off and offered to supply the piece of plywood.

Brian Demchak- Not present

Brian Casey- Not present

Mayor Donald Sipple- Nothing for this meeting.

Chief David Fedorczyk- Chief Fedorczyk read the Police Chief's Report {a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof}

David Watkins- Mr Watkins read the Code Enforcement Officers Report. {a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof}

Secretary Lisa Scharer- Ms. Scharer read the Treasurer's Report (a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof}

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

LEGISLATION

RESOLUTION 80 OF 2021- A Resolution to pay the June 2021 Payroll in the amount of \$33,719.37.

Motion- Carl Byra

Second- Lisa Wildes

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 81 OF 2021- A Resolution to pay the June 2021 Bills in the amount of \$24,640.39.

Motion- Carl Byra

Second- Frank Sorokach

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak- Y

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 82 OF 2021- A Resolution to approve the June 8, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion- Lisa Wildes

Second- Gerry Maldonado

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 83 OF 2021- A Resolution to approve the purchase of two B-600 Bio Metric Finger-Print Time Clocks from Fiber-Tel Inc. in the amount of \$2,769.93.

Motion- Frank Sorokach

Second- Carl Byra

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 84 OF 2021- A Resolution to transfer \$129,000.00 in Grant funds for the property at 8-10 N Main St. to the property at 49 W. Cemetery St.

Motion- Gerry Maldonado

Second- Frank Sorokach

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 85 OF 2021- A Resolution to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare and advertise a barnyard animal ordinance.

Motion- Frank Sorokach

Second- Lisa Wildes

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 86 OF 2021- A Resolution to authorize the Property Committee to enter negotiations for a private sale of the Borough Property located at 8-10 N. Main St., Ashley Pennsylvania.

Motion- Lisa Wildes

Second- Frank Sorokach

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

RESOLUTION 87 OF 2021-A Resolution to hire Michael Yaple and Jarrad Bogaski as part time Street Department workers at a rate of \$14.00 hr.

Motion- Frank Sorokach

Second- Lisa Wildes

Lisa Wildes- Y

Frank Sorokach- Y

Gerry Maldonado- Y

Carl Byra- y

Brian Demchak-

Brian Casey-

PASS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dolores Kaufer would like to offer a free movie night on August 7, 2021 in the park. She and her husband will provide the movie, projector and screen. She added that residents would not be permitted to park on the premises unless they are handicapped. She also stated that there would be a vendor selling popcorn and snacks.

Gildine Musial, on behalf of herself and Lorraine Bilski, revisited last month's complaint about 14 Rutz St. Mr. Watkins informed her that he had gone to the property and found nothing wrong. He added that a truck on blocks was handled by Hanover Twp. Ms. Musial stated that the work being done on vehicles happens in the middle of the night. Attorney Moses suggested that they obtain video of this happening and then presenting it to Council. Mr Watkins provided Ms. Musial

his business card and asked to be called when she witnesses them working on vehicles.

Karen Flannery mentioned that the web site is not up to date and stated that it is the heart of the community. Ms. Wildes informed her that Secretary Lisa Scharer is working on it and that Mr. Clyde Harvey has offered his assistance in bringing the site up to date and maintained.

MEETING ADJOURNED