

CLARK BOROUGH

MARCH 1, 2016 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

VISITORS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CVFC Fireman's Relief Audit

Boroughs Association Dinner (4/28/16) Clark to Host

NEW BUSINESS

QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY MADDEN

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

Sewer Committee

Boroughs Association and Council of Governments

Building, Park & Recreation

Code Enforcement/ Zoning Officer

Collector of Taxes

Council of Governments

Finance, Insurance, Pension, Personnel

Fire

Highways

Mercer County Joint Sewer Agency

Police

Planning (Local and Regional)

Recycling

Storm Water

Zoning (Local and Regional)

Mayor

President of Council

PAYMENT OF BILLS

ADJOURNMENT

March 1, 2016

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by President, James Carucci who led in the pledge to the flag on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Russell Shaffer, Patricia LaRocca, Donna Lapikas, Lee Loutzenhiser, Clark Eberhart, Doug Robbins, William Madden, Barbara Dunlap, Larry McKnight and Patricia Haggerty. Visitor attending was Bruce Goughler.

James Carucci made a motion to accept the February 2, 2016 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Russell Shaffer and passed with all voting yes.

Russell Shaffer made a motion to accept the February 2016 Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

James Carucci recognized visitor Bruce Goughler and asked if he wished to address Council.

Mr. Goughler reported that the culvert running under Valley View Road brings drainage water from Gibson and Parkview onto his property flooding portions of his property. Mr. Goughler stated he lives in South Pymatuning Township but wanted to address Clark Council first to see if there was a remedy to his problem through Clark. Councilman Lee Loutzenhiser said he was aware of the issue however this issue is not one the Borough can resolve. He further stated that he would take a look at the property with Mr. Goughler and recommend some corrective action he could take on his own.

Russell Shaffer asked Ron Sanford if he was aware of the deficiencies reported in the Fireman's Relief Fund Audit which the Borough received in November of 2015. Mr. Sanford assured Council all deficiencies have been corrected and would request a letter from Dave Balitnikoff, the CVFC Representative in Erie stating all deficiencies have been corrected.

Mayor Harakal reported the Mercer County Borough's Association Dinner on April 28, 2016 will be hosted by Clark Borough. The Mayor asked for Council approval to book The Tara as the venue for this event at the rate of \$12.60 per person. Doug Robbins made a motion to book Tara. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed.

Those attending will be given three options to choose from. Mayor Harakal asked Council members to secure door prizes for the event. Doug Robbins said he would book a speaker.

Patricia LaRocca reported that Cindi Selby who rented the Social Hall on December 13, 2015 was still not satisfied with the refund of \$80.00 that was sent to her due to the hall not being cleaned and replenished on the date she rented. Cindi had paid \$112.00 for the

Social Hall and an additional \$40.00 for security Deposit. She was refunded \$80.00 in January to cover the cleaning fee as well as return of her security deposit. Patti LaRocca recommended an additional amount of \$52.00 be refunded to Cindi to resolve the problem. Patti made a motion to pay Cindi Selby the amount of \$52.00. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and a roll call vote was taken, James Carucci – yes, Doug Robbins – yes, Clark Eberhart – no, Lee Loutzenhiser – yes, Donna Lapikas – yes, Patti LaRocca – yes, Russ Shaffer – yes.

Clark Eberhart read the Sewer Committee Bills. Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the bills as read. Doug Robbins seconded the motion and the motion passed with all voting yes.

Doug Robbins asked Larry McKnight to explain the new regulations regarding water testing. Larry reported changes to monitoring requirements for total coliform has changed from quarterly to monthly. This will be a substantial increase in the cost of testing to the Borough. Sample Siting Plans are to be updated to reflect the new monitoring requirements and submitted to local DEP before April 2, 2016. The Plan requires a Responsible Official Name be given to the DEP, who would immediately respond to the DEP in the event of a total coliform-positive sample. Doug Robbins made a motion to appoint Patricia Haggerty as the responsible official. The motion was seconded by Patricia LaRocca and passed.

Doug Robbins read the fire report for February reporting reported there were eleven (11) calls for service in February. James Carucci made a motion to accept the fire report. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed.

Russell Shaffer reported he would like to take the old salt spreader to the Jefferson Township auction. James Carucci made a motion to sell the salt spreader at the auction for whatever price could be obtained. Russell Shaffer seconded the motion and passed.

Russell Shaffer reported that due to mild winter so far, there is sufficient road salt on reserve. Larry McKnight reported that the Borough is obligated to accept one more load of salt this year, but will most likely not need to order any more. Doug Robbins made a motion to not sign the Costar contract for 2016-2017 as no more salt would be needed. Patricia LaRocca seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Russ Shaffer reported he and Larry McKnight attended the workshop in Oil City held at the Penn Dot building covering general permits and their impact to wetlands and waterways, erosion and sedimentation control plans for storm water discharges associated with construction. Larry McKnight reported the DEP and EPA have regulations that local government must be involved in to ensure applicants have the proper paperwork before construction begins to help facilitate compliance.

Russell Shaffer reported the State Liquid Fuels money for 2016 for \$27,374.67 will be deposited on March 9, 2016.

Mayor Harakal read the Police Report reporting the Hermitage Police Department conducted 42.5 hours of patrol in the Borough of Clark in the month of December and responded to 11 calls for service.

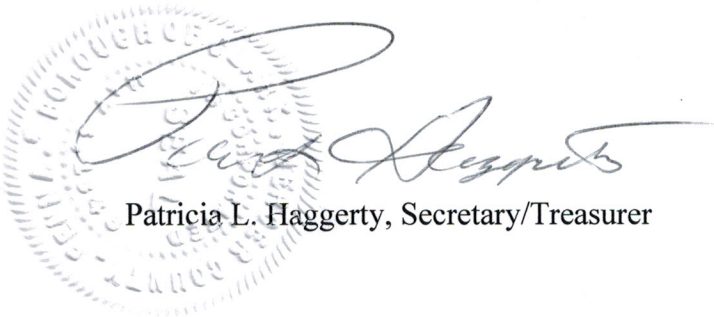
Lee Loutzenhiser reported no storm water issues at this time. There are some projects Lee is planning for this year. He will put together a list and asked for assistance from Council on these projects.

Mayor Harakal reported Pat Haggerty, Secretary/Treasurer will be resigning in December of 2016. She requested Council to consider looking for a replacement as soon as possible. She would like to hire a clerk in October, 2016 with the intent of promoting the clerk to Secretary/Treasurer upon Pat's resignation. Doug Robbins made a motion to advertise the position for a clerk. Clark Eberhart seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Clark Eberhart submitted an additional bill from Winslow Associations for the engineering work done at the Marina Pump Station for a total of \$700.00 – ½ to be paid by the Clark Sewer Committee and ½ to be paid by South Pymatuning. Clark Eberhart made a motion to pay the bill. The motion was seconded by Patti LaRocca and passed.

James Carucci read the Payroll Distribution, General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of March 2016... Russell Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills as read. The motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas and passed with all voting yes.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Russell Shaffer and passed.



Patricia L. Haggerty, Secretary/Treasurer