



PUBLIC MEETING

FEBRUARY 26, 2025

The borough Public meeting for the month of February was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council Vice President Shaunta Miller. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll was called, with the following roll call response: Council President Shaunta Miller-present, Vice President Bernice Clark Dickerson-Absent, and Councilor Douglass Eagar-present, Councilor Bethann Johnson-present, Councilor Michele Roberts-present, Councilor Michelle Miller-present, and Councilor Walter Stubbs-present, Mayor Amanda Hammock-present.

Executive session was held prior to the meeting –litigation matters.

ANNOUNCEMENT – ‘anyone commenting must sign up at 6:58 before the sign board is brought into chambers.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Keith Kowal – discussed a Swim School at 32 S Morton Avenue – Big Blue. He purchased 32 S Morton, he will have a second tenant.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –no one from the public had comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Tax Collector Acquarola gave the monthly tax collection report for January.

Manager Lipsett reported the Treasurer’s report

Disbursement journal was provided for January 2025 by the treasurer

PUBLIC FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Councilor Johnson read the resolution authorizing an application to Delaware County Council for allocation of county Liquid Fuel Tax funds for 2025 for Municipal Roadways Street Improvement program for 2025. The amount of this application is \$2700.

Mr. Catania gave his building official report – there were 9 building permits, 9 issued, 2 use and occupancy inspections, and 2 issued, and 2 contractor’s licenses. His complete report is on file.

Traffic signal is finished, Septa will be paying for this fix. We have a DRPA Small Water and Sewer Grant upcoming for \$500,000, by April 1st. We will have a resolution in March

PUBLIC SAFETY

Vice President Miller gave the police report and reported that we are looking into a digital speed sign.

Jimmy Hayes, deputy fire chief, gave the January Fire report. Council President Miller read the Fire Marshal report for the month of January.

There is a Handicapped parking space request for 13 Mitchell Avenue – Dorothy Sexton. This will be up for a Motion later.

PUBLIC HEALTH, SANITATION AND RECYCLING

Councilor Roberts gave the trash report for January – there were 4 pick ups and tonnage was 74.9. Shre reported that the trash company reported a “hot load” which is when someone puts medical waste into the trash; a fine was given for this matter. There are apparently two other grants coming up - one April 2 for DCNR and April 30th for DCED – for park and recreation.

LAW & ORDINANCE

Councilor Miller stated she just received late the Certificate of occupancy proposed changes. So she will need to review and prepare with her committee.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Councilor Eagar reported that on March 23, is a Pasta with a Purpose – benefiting the Morton-Rutledge Fire Department. On March 29th will be a Tukegee Airmen Commemoration, a Movie night is planned for June 20th, and a Juneteenth event will be planned for June 15th.

PARK AND RECREATION- Councilor Stubbs discussed grants such as Jacobs park, walking trail, Playground, track, and we received \$250,000 of the \$1 million of which we had applied.

MAYOR

Mayor Hammock thanked all of those who helped to rectify the traffic light situation.

Manager Report

Manager Lipsett gave his update on the happenings with the borough office and administration; working on the employee manual, updating evaluations, and working with council to clean out the former TV room.

ACTION ITEMS-

Councilor Michelle Miller made a Motion to approve the Resolution authorizing an application to the Delaware County Council for allocation of Liquid Fuel tax funds in 2025 for Municipal Roadways, Street Improvement of 2025. Councilor Roberts seconded the Motion. All voiced approval. Motion carried.

Councilor Michelle Roberts made a Motion to ratify and affirm the payment of bills as listed for the month of February 2025. Mr. Stubbs seconded the Motion all voiced approval. Motion carried.

Councilor Roberts made a Motion to approve minutes from September 28,2022, October 26, 2022, November 22, 2022, December 14, 2022, and December 28,2022. Councilor Stubbs seconded the Motion. 6 Council approved, with 1 opposition, Michelle Miller. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Handicapped parking place – 13 Mitchell Avenue

Councilor Eagar made a Motion to approve the m

OPEN DISCUSSION

Ceil Todd – 110 Althea Lane – questioned interest charges for late payments.

Ms. Todd stated that 3 minutes to speak with council is insufficient, more communication is needed between council and the people.

Ms. Todd was concerned that former councilor Joe Boylan had personal information on residents' unpaid taxes.

Ms. Todd reported that Mr. Selletti recently had his kidney transplant.

Mario Cimino – 46 S Morton – Mr. Cimino was concerned about rental property ordinance. Mr. Cimino was also concerned about the cash flow issue.

Tony Brown – 302 Newell Street- Voiced concern over the confusion with trash pick up on President's Day.

Celese Pannell -208 Baker –questioned events on the Jacob's field, and what was the hill of mulch.

Charles Lillicrapp-114 Locust Road – requested the comprehensive meting package.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Roberts made a Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8: 12 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Preston, Secretary