

May 11, 2021

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at AV Germano Hall, 100 West Second Street, Derry, PA with the following members present: Sara Cowan, Al Checca, Jeremy Stein, Barbara Phillips, and Matthew Clever. James Ritenour was absent. One vacancy. Mayor Grant Nicely was present. Lee Demosky, Solicitor was present. Zach Damico was reporting for the Latrobe Bulletin.

MOTION by Sara Cowan to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of April 13, 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Matthew Clever. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Matthew Clever to approve the treasurer’s report ending April 30, 2021 with the balance of \$384,001.12. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Alanna Gaudiello – Connellsville Resident - Observing, Read a letter.
2. Robert White - 2nd Street – Observing Candidate for council
3. Chad Fabian – 159 E. Third St. - Council Vacancy
4. Jerris Weller – 241 W. Owens Ave -Observing
5. Ashley Hebenthal – E. Third Street – Observing
6. Leonard Shean – 504 N. Chestnut St. - Observing
7. Christine Luther – Derry Township Resident – Observing

SOLICITOR’S REPORT No report for the public.

MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor reported for April 2021 with receipts of \$ 820.54 which included traffic receipts of \$ 669.42, non-traffic receipts of \$151.12, and \$1,003.35 in clerk of court and miscellaneous receipts. There were 54 complaint calls, 20 traffic citations, 0 non-traffic citations, and no parking tickets.

K-9 Report

The K-9 balance is \$1,327.10. The K-9 unit continued with maintenance training on Tuesdays. The k-9 unit still has t-shirts and sweatshirts for sale.

CODE OFFICIALS REPORT

Shannon Hart reported 30 violation notices for April 2021 and 2 Zoning Permits for April 2021

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works – Potholes Filled, Pool Cover off, DVFD Pumping pool on May12th, Pavilion demolition scheduled for Thursday May 20th. Railroad Banners should be up by Memorial Day.

Buildings and Grounds

Police

May 11, 2021

Finance/Budget

Zoning/UCC/Code

Parks and Recreation - 2nd Ward Playground Landscape review.

Fire Protection

Pool Committee – Slides removed by DVFD and pumping pool this week.

Grants

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DARCEE Cleanup scheduled for 9am May 15th beginning on Pittsburgh Street in Derry Township.

PLANNING COMMISSION Email received from Melody Rogowski – Recommendation for Zoning

REPRESENTATIVES

DARCEE Meeting May 26, 2021 at 7pm. Meeting place to be announced.

COMMUNICATIONS

- ❖ 28th Infantry would like to do a concert possibly at the Derry Community Park on Weds June 30th at 6:30pm – Patriotic Music Requesting support from the local VFW Submitted request to Chris Johnson President of VFW and Russ McKlveen they are willing to host the event.
- ❖ Laurel Area Faith in Action 2021 Fun in the Sun Virtual Celebration Week of July 19-July 23, 2021
- ❖ PEC- Support letter - \$50 Government Donation/Annual Membership
- ❖ PA C-PACE Program – IDC Distribution
- ❖ Redevelopment Authority of the County Demolition Program – (Private Ownership-supported by Municipality)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms expiring in the Borough:
 - a) One (1) vacancy and (1) alternate vacancy for the Zoning Hearing Board
2. Porcelain Park – KU Resources Planning reviewing subdivision plans.
3. 5th Avenue Culvert – Review process ongoing with DEP
4. Sewer Lateral Testing Ordinance Amendments – Committee summary and review
5. Stormwater Ordinance- Doug Siler, GTE – Presented draft ordinance. Amy Forsha submitted her amendments for a finalized draft.
6. American Rescue Plan Budget Review and Planning

May 11, 2021

7. **MOTION** by Matthew Clever to approve ADP for a third party payroll option for the Borough. Motion **SECONDED** by Barbara Phillips. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Council Vacancy- One letter of interest received from Chad Fabian. **MOTION** by Matthew Clever to appoint Chad Fabian. Motion **SECONDED** by Jeremy Stein. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

2. **MOTION** by Sara Cowan to approve Emily Oswald resignation effective in May 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Matthew Clever. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

3. **MOTION** by Jeremy to approve the DARcee Car Show at the Community Park for Sunday, August 1, 2021. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

4. **MOTION** by Jeremy Stein to approve Railroad Days September 18th and 19th, 2021 in downtown Derry. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

5. **MOTION** by Sara Cowan to approve bid received by the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau to purchase property located at 734 East 1st Avenue, Derry Tax Map 06-01-10-0-318 for \$ 765.00 by Crystal Gunter. The property is presently in the unsold property repository. Motion **SECONDED** by Barbara Phillips. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

6. **MOTION** by Jeremy Stein to approve 28th Infantry Division Band Concert at Derry Community Park for June 30, 2021 hosted by the VFW Commander Chris Johnson and team. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

7. **MOTION** by Matthew Clever to approve purchase of gasoline transfer tank for the F250 at \$1420 for Public Works. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced aye in favor of the motion.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Matt Clever to pay the bills totaling \$30,283.83 and all outstanding legitimate bills through the end of the month. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Sara Cowan to reorganize council with the new appointment. Motion **SECONDED** by Barbara Phillips. Roll call vote was taken. Sara Cowan – yes, Barbara Phillips – yes, Matthew Clever – yes, Jeremy Stein – yes, and Al Checca – no.

May 11, 2021

Barbara Phillips nominated Sara Cowan as President of Council. No other nominations were offered.

MOTION by Barbara Phillips for Sara Cowan as council President. Motion **SECONDED** by Jeremy Stein. Roll Call vote was taken. Sara Cowan – yes, Barbara Phillips – yes, Matthew Clever – yes, Jeremy Stein – yes, and Al Checca – no.

MOTION by Sara Cowan for Barbara Phillips as Council Vice President. Motion **SECONDED** by Jeremy Stein. Roll Call vote was taken. Sara Cowan – yes, Barbara Phillips – yes, Matthew Clever – yes, Jeremy Stein – yes, and Al Checca – no.

MOTION by Sara Cowan for Matthew Clever as Pro-Tem. Motion **SECONDED** by Barbara Phillips. Sara Cowan – yes, Barbara Phillips – yes, Matthew Clever – no, Jeremy Stein – yes, and Al Checca – yes.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jeremy Stein to adjourn at 7:49pm. Motion **SECONDED** by Sara Cowan. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta Secretary