BOROUGH OF MANSFIELD

May 13, 2020

The regular meeting of the Mansfield Borough Council was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 via ZOOM due to the Covid-19 pandemic, with the following people present:

Dave Brown (remote)
Robert Fitzgerald
Steven McCloskey (remote)
Kelvin Morgan (remote)
William Schlosser (remote)
Robert Strohecker

Christopher McGann, Borough Manager Casandra Cowles, Secretary-Treasurer (remote) Richard Correll, WWTP Operator (remote) Merle Garrison, Police Chief (remote) Jeff Loomis, Solicitor (remote)

Absent:

Michael Detweiler, Mayor

Visitors:

Halie Kines, Wellsboro Gazette (remote)

Dr. Charles Patters, Mansfield University President (remote)

President Strohecker called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:13 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

After the pledge, Strohecker called for recognition of visitors.

There were no visitor comments.

Fitzgerald moved to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2020 meeting. McEvoy seconded the motion and it passed.

The Treasurer's report for the month of May was reviewed. Upon a motion made by McCloskey and seconded by Fitzgerald, Council approved the report.

Fitzgerald made the motion to approve the bills paid reports for May for the following accounts: General Fund: \$74,631.52; Sewer Fund: \$70,597.42; Liquid Fuels Fund: \$6,823.80; and Payroll Fund: \$80,438.85 and to draw vouchers for any unpaid bills. McEvoy seconded the motion, and it passed.

Police Report

McEvoy moved to accept the police report. McCloskey seconded, and it passed.

WWTP Operator Report

Upon a motion by McEvoy and seconded by Fitzgerald, Correll's report was approved.

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Borough Manager's Report

McEvoy moved to accept the Manager's report. Schlosser seconded, and it passed. Standing Committee Reports (from April 1, 2020 committee meetings):

Reports for Finance Committee, Personnel Committee, Public Works Committee and Safety Committee were provided in the council packet.

President Strohecker called the board into executive session at 6:51 PM to discuss legal and personnel matters. Regular session of council reconvened at 7:17 PM. Old Business:

- A. Schlosser moved to accept Taylor Route's resignation and approval her part-time wages of \$12.82/hour with no benefits as a second alternative to Lynnette, Morgan seconded the motion and it was approved with Fitzgerald objecting.
- B. The Shared Service Agreement was tabled awaiting further information.

New Business

- A. McCloskey motioned to approve moving forward with the real estate sale of the right-ofway down the west side of South Main Street at \$0.14/square foot plus all fees. If they choose not to purchase, they will be charged a lease amount annually, the motion was approved with yes votes from Schlosser, McCloskey, McEvoy, and Morgan. Brown voted no, Fitzgerald and Strohecker abstained.
- B. McEvoy moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-7 Waiver of Late Fees for Real Estate Taxes, Fitzgerald seconded the motion and it was approved.
- C. McEvoy made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-8 Apply for DCED Grant, Schlosser seconded the motion and it was approved.
- D. Fitzgerald motioned to approve the purchase of a ditching bucket in the amount of \$6,500; this would help with horizontal digging and cleaning out of ditches. McCloskey seconded the motion and the purchase was approved.
- E. McCloskey moved to authority McGann to purchase street signage not the exceed \$4,500, Schlosser seconded the motion and it was approved.

President Strohecker called the board into executive session at 7:49 PM. Regular session of council reconvened at 7:58 PM.

F. The Third Party UCC Contract was tabled until further clarification can be made.

Public Comments

There were no public comments. McEvoy gave an update that the next Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) will be on May 26th.

There being no further business, upon a motion made by Fitzgerald the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.