

BOROUGH OF MANSFIELD

December 9, 2020

The regular meeting of the Mansfield Borough Council was held on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 via ZOOM, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, with the following people present:

Robert Fitzgerald
Steven McCloskey
William Schlosser
Robert Strohecker
Karri Verno

Christopher McGann, Borough Manager
Casandra Cowles, Secretary-Treasurer
Michael Detweiler, Mayor
Merle Garrison, Police Chief
Jeffrey Loomis, Solicitor

Absent: Adrienne McEvoy, Kelvin Morgan, Richard Correll

Visitors: Halie Kines, Wellsboro Gazette
Dennis Rew, Resident

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President Strohecker called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:03 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

After the pledge, Strohecker called for recognition of visitors.

There were no visitor comments.

McCloskey made the motion to appoint Karri Verno to fill the vacant council seat for the remainder of the term, Fitzgerald seconded the motion and it passed. The Oath of Office was then given by Mayor Detweiler. It was noted that this seat will be up for a two-year term during the next municipal election in 2021.

Fitzgerald moved to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2020 meeting. McCloskey seconded the motion and it passed.

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

McCloskey made the motion to approve the bills paid reports for November for the following accounts: General Fund: \$65,789.98; Sewer Fund: \$56,260.23; Liquid Fuels Fund: \$2,570.96; and Payroll Fund: \$73,794.78 and to draw vouchers for any unpaid bills. Fitzgerald seconded the motion, and it passed.

Police Report

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

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WWTP Operator Report

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

Borough Manager's Report

McCloskey moved to accept the Manager's report. Schlosser seconded, and it passed.

Standing Committee Reports (from December 2, 2020 committee meetings):

Report for Finance Committee was provided in the council packet.

Schlosser gave a Covid-19 update.

Old Business:

- A. McCloskey made a motion to adopt the 2021 Budget, Schlosser seconded the motion, and the 2021 Budget was adopted with no tax increase.
- B. Schlosser motioned to approve Resolution 2020-9: Tax Rate, leaving the tax rate the same at 8.25 mills, Fitzgerald seconded the motion and it was passed.
- C. McCloskey motioned to approve Ordinance 498: Sewer Rates, leaving the rates the same at \$17.00 base rate and \$6.50 per 1,000 after the first 1,500. Schlosser seconded the motion and it was approved.
- D. Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Contract with Real Disposal, McCloskey seconded the motion and it was approved.

New Business

- A. This item was covered at the beginning of the meeting.
- B. Schlosser motioned to approve the PSAB membership dues, Fitzgerald seconded the motion, and it was approved.
- C. There was one bid received for the 2021 fuel purchases from Dandy Mini Mart. Bid prices for both regular unleaded and diesel fuel, \$.05 under posted price. McCloskey made the motion to accept the bid. Schlosser seconded the motion and it passed.
- D. There were five mowing bids received:
Corey Smith, \$585.00 per mowing.
Dane Kurzejewski, \$455.00 per mowing
Kevin's Lawn Care, \$480.00 per mowing
Oakwood Nursery & Landscaping, \$490.00 per mowing
Nathen Martin's Lawn Service, \$590.00 per mowing
This item was tabled until the Finance Committee can review.
- E. McCloskey motioned to approve re-appoint Tom Wierbowski, Patty Hutcheson and Jimmie Joe Carl to their respective boards, the remaining expiring terms will be revisited at the January meeting. Schlosser seconded this motion and it was approved.
- F. McCloskey motioned to approve the police vehicle quote of \$54,593.38, Fitzgerald seconded the motion and the quote was accepted.
- G. Schlosser motioned to approve the quote of \$14,356.00 to upgrade the police radios, Fitzgerald seconded the motion, and the radio purchase was approved.
- H. Fitzgerald motioned to continue holding the council meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm, the committee work sessions will be held the first Wednesday of the month and the administrative meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of

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the month on an as needed basis. McCloskey seconded the motion and the meeting dates and times were approved.

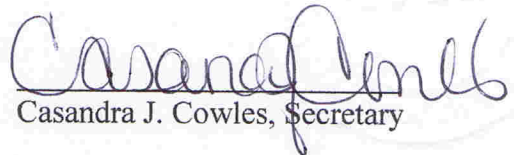
Public Comments

There were no public comments.

President Strohecker called the meeting into executive session for legal matters at 7:00 pm. Regular session of council reconvened at 7:27 pm.

Schlosser motioned to adjourn the November 12, 2020 council meeting that was recessed until a special meeting could be held. Fitzgerald seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

There being no further business, upon a motion made by Schlosser and seconded by Fitzgerald, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.


Cassandra J. Cowles, Secretary