

January 6, 2020

The reorganization meeting of the New Milford Borough Council was called to order by Mayor Scott Smith at 6:30 p.m. at the borough building. Members in attendance were: Teri Gulick, Kerin Welch, Lawrence White, Donna Cosmello, Simon Frailey, Don Button and Mayor Scott Smith. Others in attendance were: Amy Hine, Secretary; Chuck Welch and Chuck Lempke.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Newly elected council members Don Button and Simon Frailey were sworn in by Mayor Scott Smith.

Mayor Smith opened the floor for nominations for council president. **A motion was made by S. Frailey and seconded by D. Cosmello to nominate Teri Gulick for council president. Motion carried.**

Mayor Smith opened the floor for nominations for council vice president. **A motion was made by L. White and seconded by D. Cosmello to nominate Kerin Welch for council vice president. Motion carried.**

Mayor Smith turned the meeting over to council president Teri Gulick.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to appoint Amy Hine as Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. Gulick and seconded by D. Cosmello to appoint Nichole Cole as our representative for COG, COG Sewage and COG Codes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to appoint Teri Gulick as the representative to the County EIT committee. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by S. Frailey to appoint Michael Briechle as our solicitor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by S. Frailey to appoint Milnes Engineering as our engineer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to designate Peoples Security Bank & Trust as the bank of record. Motion carried.

A motion was made by L. White and seconded by K. Welch to designate the 3rd Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the meeting date and time. Motion carried.

A motion was made by K. Welch and seconded by D. Button to appoint Rick Ainey as the chairperson of the vacancy board. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by L. White to appoint Scott Grill to a 5-year term as a Municipal Authority member. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by L. White to appoint Frida Giangrieco to a 4-year term as a Planning Commission member. Motion carried.

A motion was made by K. Welch and seconded by D. Button to appoint Dan Totten as the Emergency Management Coordinator and Ken Bondurant as the deputy Emergency Management Coordinator. Motion carried.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by L. White to appoint Amy Hine as the Open Records Officer. Motion carried.

A motion was made by T. Gulick and seconded by D. Cosmello to designate both county papers, The Susquehanna County Independent and the County Transcript, as the newspapers of record. Motion carried.

A motion was made by S. Frailey and seconded by D. Cosmello to designate Teri Gulick, Amy Hine, Don Button and Lawrence White as check signers. Motion carried.

The council reviewed the committee list and made changes.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to adjourn the reorganization meeting at 6:48 pm. Motion carried.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the New Milford Borough Council was called to order by President Teri Gulick at 6:48 p.m. at the borough building.

CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

We haven't heard anything from Greg.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried with T. Gulick abstaining.

A motion was made by S. Frailey and seconded by D. Cosmello to accept the treasurer's report as presented and pay the bills as listed. Motion carried.

PRESENT TO SPEAK

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

The borough received notification from the Susquehanna County 911 that the EMC training was moved from February 11 to February 4.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Smith had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COG: Nichole will go to the next meeting.

Streets: Amy said she is working on the parking ordinance. The Montrose Street Bridge is open. Amy said we have heard nothing from PennDOT about cleaning the catch basins. Amy will contact them one last time to try to get it resolved. We are working with the insurance company and the solicitor on the Church Street Bridge agreement with PennDOT.

Planning Commission: Nothing to report.

Buildings & Equipment: Chuck said the back parking lot will be done in the spring. The committee will meet with Dalton to discuss the generator.

Parks & Recreation: Nothing to report.

Economic Development: Donna said she email Fritz and they are working on the feasibility study for the SR 492/SR 11 project. Donna said the sidewalk project is being done in 3 phases because of grant funding cuts. Amy will contact PSAB for help with the website. Donna said she emailed Fritz about the water gauge. Scott said the fire company is looking into repairs for the dry hydrant.

Police: There is nothing to report.

Storm Water Drainage: The council agreed to take this off the agenda.

Earned Income Tax: The council agreed to take this off the agenda.

Personnel: There is nothing to report.

Ordinance: Teri said Greg is working on the ordinances and the IPMC. The committee will meet on January 16 at 6 p.m. to discuss the cable agreement.

Insurance & Fire: The siren is being worked on.

Finance: Nothing to report.

New Milford Beautification: Nothing to report.

Zoning: The map change request hearing is on January 16 at 6:30 pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The park project will be done in the spring.

The water gauge and dry hydrant were covered earlier.

NEW BUSINESS

The first meeting for the 2020 Midtown Festival will be on January 30 at 6:00 pm. Teri said she will coordinate the festival this year but she can't be at the festival.

Amy said a woman came in inquiring about setting a small container in one of the trees in the Midtown Park for Geocaching. The council said it would be ok.

FYI

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to adjourn at 7:22 pm. Motion carried.