

July 8, 2021

The regularly scheduled meeting of the New Milford Borough Council was called to order by President Teri Gulick at 6:30 p.m. at the borough building. Members in attendance were: Teri Gulick, Kerin Welch, Donna Cosmello and Simon Frailey. Others in attendance were: Amy Hine, Secretary; Chuck Welch and Eleanor Lempke.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Teri said she spoke to Greg last night and he admitted that he is falling behind. Teri said DEP was at 1094 Main Street and they found nothing wrong. Teri said Greg did send a letter to Mr. Bryn. Teri said Greg is having back surgery on Monday but he will get caught up on everything.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by S. Frailey to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

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

Eleanor Lempke said she was just going to ask about the camper at 1094 Main Street.

COMMUNICATIONS

The council received a letter from the Zoning Hearing Board that they will be holding a hearing on July 27, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. to hear an appeal filed by Peter Savage.

The council received a letter from the Susquehanna County Conservation District about the current round of Dirt & Gravel Road grants that are available to apply for. Amy said the streets committee met with Courtney from the Conservation District about the Maple Street Bridge and it does not qualify. The committee also met with her about the problems on Peck Hill Street again. Courtney will be coming up with options that we could do on Peck Hill Street.

The council received a letter about the Liquid Fuels Audit. Teri said it was stated that we have a well-managed investment program.

The council received a flyer from the Susquehanna County Conservation District about a BBQ that will be held at their building on August 10 from 4:30 – 7:30 pm.

The council received the PA COG news.

The council received an email about a workshop being held on July 27 for the I-81 project.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Scott Smith was not present to give a report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COG: There is nothing to report.

Streets: Kerin said she is working on the parking ordinance. She will do up a clean list and get it to Amy so she can send it on to the solicitor. Kerin said the committee spoke with bridge inspection crew and PDOT about Maple Street. There is a list of items that need to be addressed in the next 2 years. **A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by S. Frailey to send the Maple Street Bridge inspection report on to Mick Goodwin to review. Motion carried.** Amy said we haven't heard anything from Wayco about their start date for paving.

Planning Commission: There is nothing to report.

Buildings & Equipment: Amy said we are waiting on Mark Roberts to do the repairs in the COG office.

Parks & Recreation: The committee will be looking into grants. Teri said we need a feasibility study done first.

Economic Development: Donna said the estimate for the SR 492/SR 11 project is \$1.5 million.

Police: Nothing to report.

Personnel: Nothing to report.

Ordinance: Teri said they had a work session last night about the IPMC with Briechle and Greg. Teri said Mike took lots of notes and he will type something up from the work session and send it to council. Simon said we still need a board of appeals. The board members don't have to be a borough resident. Teri said she will ask Todd Schmidt and Dave Darrow. Amy will ask Ron Kowalewski, Chris Bronson, Don Shibley and Jack Conroy.

Finance: Nothing to report.

New Milford Beautification: Eleanor Lempke said she hasn't done up a bill yet for the flowers in the boxes on the building.

Zoning: A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to appoint Jim Carr as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Amy said she spoke with Cooper VanCott about the park project and they will get together on it after vacation.

Amy said Bobbi Jo Turner said the borough can apply for CDBG grant money for the meter pits.

Amy said she did get the application sent in for the ARP money.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

FYI

None.

PUBLIC INPUT

None.

A motion was made by D. Cosmello and seconded by K. Welch to adjourn at 7:17 pm. Motion carried.