

**Felton Borough, York County ~ Council Meeting ~ ZOOM Virtual Meeting
Monday, April 13, 2020**

Meeting Day and Time: Monday, April 13, 2020 online ZOOM Meeting.

Council Members Present: Mary Lader, John Trout (call in), James Vergos, Sue Golden, Ron Nickey and Mayor Bryan McManus

Council Members Absent: Garland Martin and Sherry Arnold

Others present: Tyler Burkins of Alliance Fire and Rescue, Jeff Rehmeyer of CGA Law Firm, Byron Trout of Gordon Brown Assoc., Joy Flinchbaugh Borough Secretary, Jordan Keeny of 62 Red Lion Avenue and Donna Grove owner of 2 Main Street.

Mary Lader opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the March 2nd council meeting minutes was made by John and 2nd by James. The motion passed without opposition.

Approval of Treasurers Report: A motion to approve the treasurer's report with the following additions: GF: CGA Law Firm \$641 & Marlin for copier for \$58 was made by John and 2nd by Sue. The motion passed without opposition. Joy pointed out that that our portion of the grant repayment to USDA was a total of \$105,956.36 of which \$94,399.42 came from the sewer savings account, \$9,000 from the sewer checking account and \$2,556.94 from the general fund savings account.

Public Comment: Donna Grove was present to discuss her concerns with public water coming in and being forced on the borough residents. She feels that York Water has a lack of quality water and it will not be a feasible expense for the older population of the borough. Jordan Keeny was also present by call in and has concerns for being mandated to connect to the public water. They like their well and they don't want to be forced to connect. After much discussion, Jeff asked that Donna submit her concerns in writing to the borough so that the questions can be directed to York Water. Joy will speak to JT about having a meeting in regards to the public water sooner rather than later.

Called to be on the Agenda: No one called to be on the agenda.

Alliance Fire & Rescue:

- **Fire Reports** – Tyler Burkins provided the fire reports by email which was distributed to the council prior to the meeting. There were a total of 89 calls in March of which 1 was in the borough.

Solicitor:

- **Sale of the Sewer System** – Settlement took place on April 9, 2020
- **Fire Company Resolution – 2020-01:** Jeff provided the borough with a new resolution to support the newly formed Alliance Fire and Rescue and the council can approve it when ready.
- **Collection Report:** Jeff reviewed the report with the council. No action on any properties at this time. Jeff will still be able to collect on the delinquent sewer accounts even though the sale has taken place. He will continue to file liens to collect on this past due amounts.

Engineer- Byron Trout of Gordon Brown & Associates

- **Correction Action Plan for DEP** – Byron provided information to York Water on the Correction Action Plan. There only thing left to do is the cleaning and televising. This type of work is currently on hold due to Covid-19.
- **DCNR Playground Grant Application** – The grant needs to be submitted by April 22nd. The only thing left is which park layout does the council want to go with. A motion to approve Plan B which puts the playground equipment next to the basketball courts and the swing set in the corner by the trees was made by Ron and 2nd by James. John Trout opposed.
- **Charles Street DGLVR Grant** – Bid opening date was moved to April 30, 2020 due to Covid-19. There are currently 2 looking to bid the project. Bid award can take place at the May council meeting.

Old Business:

- **Sale of Sewer** – completed.
- **13 Church Avenue** – was discussed earlier.

New Business:

- **Grant resolution** – A resolution for Joy to be able to sign for and submit the DCNR grant application was provided to the council. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Ron and 2nd by Sue. The motion passed without opposition.
- **Ability to pay reoccurring bills** – A motion to allow Joy to pay any reoccurring bills was made by Mary and 2nd by Ron. The motion passed without opposition.

Comments from Council

- **Ron Nickey** said the issue with the dirt bikes has gotten better since the letter went out.
- **Bryan McManus** asked how the water surveys are coming along. There have been quite a few returned at this point. He also brought up the issue of chickens. The council would like to see it changed. Jeff will send out an amendment that can be made to the zoning ordinance in regards to having chickens.

Secretary:

- **Statement of Financial Interest forms due May 1st** – Joy will mail them out and then they can be dropped off at the office.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm was made by Ron and 2nd by Mary. The motion passed without opposition.

Secretary - Joy Flinchbaugh