

**Felton Borough, York County ~ Council Meeting
Monday, March 2, 2020**

Meeting Day and Time: Monday, March 2, 2020 at the Felton Borough Office located at 88 Main Street Felton.

Council Members Present: Garland Martin, Mary Lader, John Trout, Sherry Arnold, James Vergos and Mayor Bryan McManus

Council Members Absent: Sue Golden and Ron Nickey

Others present: Tyler Burkins of Alliance Fire and Rescue, Jeff Rehmeyer of CGA Law Firm, Byron Trout of Gordon Brown Assoc. and Joy Flinchbaugh, Borough Secretary.

Gary Martin opened the meeting at 6:30 pm with the pledge allegiance to the flag.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the February 3rd council meeting minutes was made by Mary and 2nd by Sherry. The motion passed without opposition.

Approval of Treasurers Report: A motion to approve the treasurer's report with the following additions: GF: Gordon Brown \$3378.59 Grant work, \$216 Meetings / General, \$108 DGLVR, Sewer: Gordon Brown \$1265 DEP Correction Plan, Gordon Brown \$978.75 Chapter 94 report, Walton \$2468.34, CGA \$50.00 and State Fund: Street Lights \$594.61 was made by James and 2nd by John. The motion passed without opposition.

Public Comment: None

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

Solicitor:

- **Sale of the Sewer System** – Jeff said that York Water continues to wait on the PUC to make a decision on the sewer certification for the borough to York Water Company. JT Hand is now the president of the York Water Company.
- **Walton Water Services** – Jeff has assisted Joy in communication with Walton Water Company on the outstanding items needed for the DEP Correction Action Plan and the Chapter 94 report.
- **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.
- **121 High Street, Leedale Reed** – Jeff said that Attorney Steven McDonald of CGA has assisted Joy in a letter to the Reeds. Joy informed the council that a return phone call was received from Mrs. Reed. Jeff told Joy to make sure to document the conversation with her in case of further enforcement.
- **Collection Report:** Jeff reviewed the report with the council. No action on any properties at this time.

Engineer- Byron Trout of Gordon Brown & Associates

- **Correction Action Plan for DEP** – Byron has submitted the plan to DEP and now we await a response. The hydraulic loading issue he believes to be the cracked sensor which since that was repaired the loading has been back to normal. The test location has been changed and should change the organic loading issues.
- **Chapter 94 Report** - Byron has the report ready to be submitted. A copy was provided to the borough. A motion to submit the Chapter 94 report to DEP was made by Mary and 2nd by James. The motion passed without opposition.
- **DCNR Playground Grant Application** – Byron provided the council with a draft version of the playground and pavilion installation project. The plan includes a new playground set, a 4 seat swing set, 12 x 12 pavilion, ADA walking paths, playground border and mulch, ADA parking spaces and 2 4' fencing sections. Joy and Byron have a conference call planed with Lori of DCNR for Thursday and she wanted to see a plan and budget for that call. The original pavilion was a 20 x 28 but the prices were coming in extremely high due to prevailing wage rates for the installation. There is a \$110,000 budget limit for the grant. Some ideas to keep the total project at the \$110,000 are to do volunteer labor for the spreading of the mulch, installation of the signs and possible donations of the park benches and or picnic tables. After much discussion the council agreed to meet at the playground on Monday, March 9th to take a look at the design of the project and discuss any alternatives to the project. Joy and Byron will also have more information after their call with Lori. The council would like to see a bigger pavilion than the 12 x 12. Joy reiterated that the borough only needs a \$40,000 match of which \$20,000 has already been guaranteed by the York County Commissioners and she will be applying to Exelon for the other \$20,000. If Exelon awards the \$20,000 this project could be

no cost to the borough. Bryon has a 8 ½ x 11 print out of the proposed playground equipment that Joy is going to send out to all the residents of the borough for comments.

- **Charles Street DGLVR Grant** – Bid specifications are done and the final plans are being finished up. The project will be advertised for bids tomorrow with a bid opening date of April 2nd. Byron will have the results of the bids at the April 6th meeting.

Alliance Fire & Rescue:

- **Fire Reports** – Tyler Burkins provided the council with the February reports. There were a total of 101 calls for the Alliance Fire and Rescue during the month with the following breakdowns: Chanceford Twp 11, Dallastown Borough 3, East Hopewell 1, Felton Borough 2, Glen Rock Borough 1, Hopewell Twp 1, North Hopewell Twp 8, Red Lion Borough 27, Shrewsbury Borough 2, Windsor Borough 1, Windsor Twp 30, Wrightsville Borough 1, York Township 13.

Codes Enforcement Officer:

- **121 High Street** – A certified letter referencing the nuisance ordinance was sent out and received a call in regards to the letter.

Old Business:

- **Sale of Sewer** – was discussed earlier.
- **13 Church Avenue Playground Plans** – will meet on March 9th at the park to discuss.
- **Crosswalk on Main Street / Flags on telephones** – received notification from Penn Dot that the borough could install a cross walk at the corner of Main Street and High Street. Have not had a chance to get any further information on the banners for the telephone poles.
- **Letter to residents about Public Water** – council reviewed the letter to be sent out to all Felton Borough residents. Joy will send this out this month as a separate mailing.
- **Kids Fishing Derby** – the creek will be closed off Friday at 5 pm and be closed until Sunday April 12th at 5 pm. Fishing will only be allowed for children during this time. There will be a lot of fish stocked this year.

New Business:

- **Ambulance Report** – there were 2 calls in January.
- **Crossroad Borough Christmas Decorations** – Crossroads borough is replacing their Christmas decorations they put on their telephone poles with new ones and wanted to know if the borough would like them. A motion to get these free Christmas decorations from Crossroads Borough was made by Mary and 2nd by James. The motion passed. James volunteered to go pick them up.
- **York County Borough's Association** – upcoming quarterly meeting is on March 26th if anyone would like to attend.
- **Fire Police Request** – A request from Fawn Grove borough for Kennard Dale High School Graduation date TBD and Olde Tyme Days Parade on June 27th. A motion to approve the fire police to assist at these events was made by Mary and 2nd by John. The motion passed without opposition.
 - **Resolution 2020-01**- Joy asked the council if they were ready to adopt the fire company resolution this month. They would like to have a listing of events to put with the resolution before they adopt it.
- **Quote for clean up at sewer plant / leaves at ball field** – Harvey's Mowing LLC provided a quote of \$75 to do the leaves at the ball field, \$120 to clean up around the well cap at the sewer or \$250 to clean up the entire bank at the sewer plant. A motion to have Harvey's take care of the leaves at the ball field and clean up the entire bank at the sewer plant was made by Gary and 2nd by James. The motion passed without opposition.
- **State Budget / State Police charges** - it is being proposed to charge a fee to municipalities who use the services of the PA State Police. The estimated cost for Felton Borough would be \$1253.66 which comes out to \$2.45 per person.
- **Bridge inspection reports – Church Ave and Water St** – these inspections were completed and reviewed with Joy. There is nothing that needs to be done at this point.
- **Concord Commons Subdivision** – GemCraft is looking to build 2 new homes in this subdivision
- **Mowing bid for 2020** – Harvey's Mowing LLC provided the following bid: Weekly mowing of the borough areas \$100 & Sewer Areas \$35, \$20 each time on 70 Main Street, \$150 for clean up and mulch at the gazebo and office, \$150 leaf removal at the ball field and gazebo. Total based on 29 weeks of mowing is \$3915 and \$640 for street mowing, mulch, leaves and clean up. His prices are all the same as last year's. He does not have a applicators license for weed spraying so he is unable to provide that service to the borough at this time. A motion to approve Harvey's Mowing LLC for this year's mowing and landscaping needs was made by Mary and 2nd by James. The motion passed without opposition.

- **Old Bridge Lane** – Old Bridge Lane is in very poor condition and would like to have a load of stone delivered to fill in the large pot holes. A motion to purchase 15 tons of crusher waste from Tri Boro was approved by the council.

Council Comments

- **Bryan** asked about the chickens he has seen down along the creek off Beaver Street. The council discussed the issue of chickens at length.

Secretary:

- **Statement of Financial interest forms for 2019** – needs to be completed by May 1st. Joy will provide them.
- **Borough News Magazine** – Joy informed the council that they would all be receiving the Borough News magazine beginning this month.
- **Walton Water issues** – Walton did provide all the needed paperwork.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn at 8:21 pm was made by Mary and 2nd by Sherry. The motion passed without opposition.

Secretary - Joy Flinchbaugh