

MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of Dover Borough Council was held at the Union Fire & Hose Co., 30 E. Canal Street on Monday, December 7 at 7:00 pm. President Kroft was absent. Vice President Sabold called the meeting to order. There was a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The November 2, 2020 minutes were reviewed. Mrs. Plowman had one correction at the bottom of page three. Two numbers were turned around. The sewer fund budget should be \$604,714.90. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Assistant Chief Flohr provided the fire company report.

- They responded to 19 calls in November. There were zero calls in the Borough and a zero loss.
- Assistant Chief Flohr asked about the generator that was bought to service the lights on the square and where it should be stored. He had been told it can be housed at the fire company and wanted confirmation of this. The Borough has a key to the fire company if they would need to use it. Vice President Sabold stated the minutes from February 2019 state after the fire company is trained to use it, it will be stored at the fire company. The key is in the traffic unit and he requested a second key for the lock box in the event the traffic unit is out. Mr. Grim had given some training recently when the lights were out on the square. Council agreed that the generator will now be stored at the fire company.
- For December there are two trainings scheduled on December 9th and 23rd. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the trainings as scheduled. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.
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Richard Pope provided the EMA report. He attended a two-hour meeting last week with York County Emergency Management. They fully expect the approval of the Pfizer vaccine. Wellspan York Hospital has already been equipped with a freezer to store it at -90 degrees. The first people eligible for the vaccine are first responders. All of York County will be administered as a drive-through at HACC in York. They will need an appointment and clearance to go through. They are planning on five nine-hour days to administer the vaccine. Mr. Pope will be contacting Chief Dettinger for a list of fire fighters interested in the vaccine. The first wave will be first responders and nursing homes. The second wave will be elderly and diseased. The vaccine is expected to be available to the general population in March or April 2021. The vaccine will be a series of two shots a few weeks apart. They will be informed when to come back for the second dose. This is the plan as of last Tuesday. Things have been changing on a daily basis. When approval is given it is expected things will move very quickly. Because of the demand for the vaccine there will be security on site.

SEWER

Public Works Report – Mr. Grim added National Water Main will be coming tomorrow to do repairs on Tuesday and Wednesday. Vice President Sabold ask about the information received from Columbia Gas. Mr. Spangler had already contacted them. Columbia Gas may be televising some of our sewer lines and they will supply this information to the Borough.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Spangler did not get a pay request from National Water Main but expects he will have it for the next meeting.

Solicitor's Report – Nothing

Old Business – Nothing

New Business – Nothing

WATER

Public Works Report - Mr. Grim added Abel Construction did have a DEP Permit to blast on Intermediate Avenue. Mr. Slusser asked if we are able to bill the Township for the loss of water due to the blasting and disturbing our well #5. Vice President Sabold and Mr. Grim are getting the information together to contact them. That well was producing 37,000 gallon per day. With well #5 shut down, the Borough needed to purchase more from Dover Township. Mr. Grim ran the well off everyday for two weeks until he finally got clear water. Currently to start, the well is being run for 3 hours each day. He is also having the water tested.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Spangler emailed United Environmental regarding the status of well #4 test drilling. They hope to have approval in January.

Solicitor's Report –Nothing

Old Business – Nothing

New Business – Mr. Ferry wondered when EK Services is coming back to repair the roadway. Mr. Grim will contact them.

BOROUGH

Public Works Report – Mr. Grim reported Lowell Neiman installed the interior door at the Borough office today. Plexiglass was also placed at the reception window.

Zoning Manager's Report – Vice President Sabold commented about solar panels being installed in the Borough. Assistant Chief Flohr said that the fire company had training about solar panels. He explained that the solar panels can only be turned off at the switch and cannot be turned off from the switch to the roof. If they are burnt halfway through, they are still making electricity and are generating electricity with any little bit of light on them as from emergency vehicles. If solar panels are present on a call the fire company will put out fire on the inside of the building and will only spray water on the outside

Engineer's Report – Mr. Spangler reported he checked about whose responsibility the crosswalk pavement markings at the square are. Per the contract with PennDOT, the Borough is responsible for any of the signs and pavement markings. Mr. Grim will get a quote for this. This project will be scheduled for spring. An email was received from the Dover School District regarding the crosswalk markings at the new intermediate school. This will be looked at, at a later time.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. J. Herrold presented an ordinance establishing the tax rate for the year 2021. Mr. Slusser made a motion to approve the 2021 Tax Ordinance # 2020-04. Mrs. Koch seconded the motion and all were in favor.

At last month's meeting there was a question regarding tax collectors' compensation. Mr. J. Herrold researched this. The statute provides that the Borough tax collector is authorized to receive compensation as set by the Borough Council not exceeding 5% of the amount collected. The Borough code Section 51-4 Subsection A provides the tax collector is to receive 2.7% of the amount collected. This cannot be raised or lowered during the term of office. If this amount is raised it would need to be passed by Ordinance or Resolution prior to February 15th of the year of municipal election. Mr. J. Herrold states there is time to decide and advertise in time for the February meeting if this is council's desire. This will be discussed further at the January meeting.

Mr. Spangler, Mr. J. Herrold and Mr. A. Herrold left the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Hernley reported the Dover School District has agreed to pay for the damage to Michael Merkert's garage ceiling which he believes was caused by work they are doing on Intermediate Avenue.

Police Report - Nothing to add

Ambulance Club Report - Nothing to add

Secretary's Report - Mr. Sabold pointed out Mrs. Wahlberg took care of cleaning the curtains from the Borough office. Since this was something extra council felt she should be compensated for it. Mrs. Koch made a motion to compensate Mrs. Wahlberg \$50.00 for cleaning the office curtains. Mr. Slusser seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report - Ms. Snyder made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Old Business - Mr. Sabold stated the 2021 budgets have been advertised and are ready for adoption.

Mr. Ferry made a motion to adopt the 2021 Highway Aid budget as advertised. Mr. Slusser seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Slusser made a motion to adopt the 2021 Wallace Fund budget as advertised. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Ferry made a motion to adopt the 2021 Water Fund budget as advertised at \$270,397.42. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Slusser made a motion to adopt the 2021 Sewer Fund budget as advertised at \$604,714.90. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Ferry made a motion to adopt the 2021 General Fund budget as advertised at \$967,873.52. Mr. Slusser seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New Business - The 2021 meeting dates were discussed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the 2021 meeting dates. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meetings will be advertised to be held at the Union Fire & Hose 30 E. Canal Street.

The CDBG Funding Resolution, which is a joint grant with Dover Township, was discussed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the CDBG Funding Resolution # 2020-13. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion and all were in favor.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ferry made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Raffensberger. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Plowman
Secretary/Treasurer