

Honorable Mayor  
Members of Council

The Regular Business Meeting of Sharpsburg Borough Council was held on July 26, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

President Reno called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call found the following Members present: Matt Brudnok, Greg Domian, Jonathan Jaso, excused, Karen Pastor, Joe Simbari, Larry Trozzo, Brittany Reno, Jordyn Helgert, excused, Mayor Rudzki, Chief Stelitano, excused.

Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only)

Citizen Comments (Registered)

- a. Nicole Moga of Boat Pittsburgh discussed her pontoon and kayak rental business and her interest in moving her business to Silky's Marina and the business potential the opportunity offers.
- b. Ashleigh Deemer, from Penn Environment discussed the concerns of the air quality and the measures being taken to improve the air quality in Allegheny County which can minimize the risk and impact of health conditions. Deemer is seeking Council's approval of the air quality letter she submitted for Council's consideration and is suggesting the letter be submitted
- c. to area elected officials and the Allegheny County Health Department.
- d. Aly Shaw of Pittsburgh United discussed the plan for improving storm water management infrastructure by creating green space and is seeking Council's approval of a letter to the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority seeking their support.

Committee Reports:

L Trozzo, Chairperson  
Zoning/Planning/Code  
Nothing

G. Domian, Chairperson  
Personnel

Domian discussed creating a new program for Sharpsburg called "Music in the Park" which will be held on August 24, 2018 at Kennedy Park. From 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm.

K. Pastor, Chairperson  
Public Safety

Pastor stated the Fire Department answered 26 fire calls in June with the year to date total answered fire calls being 174. Pastor addressed the microburst that occurred on July 2, 2018 and thanked all the fire fighters, Sharpsburg public works, volunteers, and the surrounding community public works departments that assisted in the clean-up and thanked those that donated food and water.

W. Rossey, Manager

Rossey mentioned that the Borough received a check for \$50.00 from a person who did not reside in Sharpsburg wanting to donate to those affected by the flood and asked Council's permission to give those monies to Roots of Faith. Roots of Faith provided food, contacts, and cleaning supplies for the residents of Sharpsburg.

Rossey acknowledged the hire of the new Public Works Director who will start on Monday, July 30, 2018.

Rossey acknowledged the submission of the three million dollar grant application towards Main Street streetscape and mentioned that \$825,000 was currently received as well as the possibilities that \$3,000,000 could entail. The recipient of the grant will be announced in November.

T. Stelitano, Chief of Police

Nothing

M. Witherel, Solicitor

Nothing

Consent Agenda

Reno made a motion to approve the following general business by roll call:

- a. Payment of bills due through August 23, 2018
- b. Minutes from the June 28, 2018 Meeting
- c. Motion to approve the sub-division plan submitted by Riverfront 47 Development as approved by the Sharpsburg Planning Commission at their meeting held on Thursday, June 14, 2018.
- d. Motion to pass Ordinance 18-08 providing for the regulation of geophysical/seismic testing in the Borough of Sharpsburg.
- e. Motion to pass Ordinance 18-09 providing for the regulation of oil and gas exploration and extraction in the Borough of Sharpsburg.
- f. Motion to pass Ordinance 18-10 providing for land use provisions and standards for the location of injection wells within the Borough of Sharpsburg.
- g. Motion to pass Resolution 18-07 approving the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Winter Services Agreement effective 2018-2023.
- h. Motion to approve Borough contract with Energy Independent Solutions to install solar panels on the Sharpsburg Community Library contingent upon signing of memorandum of understanding with Cooper-Siegel Community Library.
- i. Motion to approve air quality letter to Allegheny County Board of Health, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald and Allegheny County Council urging Allegheny County Officials to utilize Clean Air Funds for air pollution remediation activities including clearing the backlog of industrial polluter permit applications.
- j. Motion to approve Alcosan Grow Program letter to Allegheny County Sanitary Authority in support of eliminating the project cap on the Grow Program to maximize impact and focusing on a green-first plan for improving storm water management infrastructure across the Alcosan footprint.
- k. Motion to accept the resignation of Part-time Police Officer Perry Sciulli effective July 25, 2018.

J. Simbari, Chairperson  
Public Works

Simbari inquired what day in November will be chosen to hold the monthly Council meeting in lieu of Thanksgiving.

J. Jaso, Chairperson  
Health/Property  
Nothing

M. Brudnok, Chairperson  
Finance

Brudnok acknowledged and thanked all those that contributed their help and time to help clean the streets and homes after the heavy rains earlier in July.

Jordyn Helgert  
Junior Council Member  
Nothing

M. Rudzki, Mayor

Mayor thanked all the volunteers helping with clean up and to include Dennis Lane, Emergency Management Coordinator, Bill Rossey, Borough Manager and their efforts. He emphasized the power of the community working toward the common goal of the clean-up.

Rudzki stressed the importance of Council completing their FEMA certifications and that FEMA does base crisis relief on Council's certification as one of the criteria.

Rudzki read the Police Monthly report. He also announced the acceptance of Perry Sciulli's resignation with a letter of commendation as Sciulli accepted a new full time position in New Kensington. Mayor invited all to attend Guyasuta Days August 6-11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and spend lots of money and enjoy!

Dennis Lane, Emergency Management Coordinator spoke regarding the flash flooding that effected Sharpsburg streets and homes and thanked Sharpsburg Public Works all public officials from Sharpsburg and surrounding communities, and Penn Dot and all attending fire departments for their crucial efforts of time and help with the clean-up activities the next day. He acknowledged the numerous donations that were received in this town. He thanked Rossey for his efforts as well as acquiring the dumpsters which were a beneficial part of the clean-up

B. Reno, President

Reno thanked all officials, churches, and community members for all their efforts during the flood clean-up and helping to minimize community trauma.

Reno announced that on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Sharpsburg community walking route and welcomed all to attend the event which also happens to be Johnny Appleseed Day and acknowledged that Giant Eagle donated apples for the event.

Reno mentioned that County officials will be visiting Sharpsburg for a tour and asked Council's input of any thoughts and ideas regarding any Sharpsburg issues of concern.

Motion made by Matt Brudnok with second by Karen Pastor resulting in a unanimous vote.

Permits:

- a. Handicap Parking: 1303 Middle Street  
Motion made to approve the handicap permit by Matt Brudnok with second by Larry Trozzo resulting in a unanimous vote.
- b. Use Permits: None
- c. Zoning/Building: None

Refunds: None

Simbari stated for the record that the Council vote for the Public Works Superintendent hire was not a unanimous vote.

Stephanie Tripier inquired of Council if it could be made mandatory that each Council person acquire their FEMA certification given the flooding potential and commented on her concerns that all of Council had not completed their certification requirements. Reno and Simbari readily agreed that they will be completing the certification as they have presently not done so.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Rossey, Borough Manager  
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