

SHARPSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING June 22, 2023

Honorable Mayor
Members of Council

The Regular Business Meeting of the Sharpsburg Council was held June 22, 2023, at 6:30pm.

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

Roll call found the following members present: Jonathan Jaso, Kayla Portis (excused), Karen Pastor, David Branigan, Sarah Ishman, Adrienne Laing, Peter Adams, Mayor Reno, Chief Stelitano(excused)

Candidates interviewed to fill the vacant Council Seat.

Ishman made a motion to appoint David Branigan to the vacant council seat.

Roll Call:

Jaso – Yes

Pastor – Yes

Ishman – Yes

Adams – Yes

Laing – Yes

Motion carried.

Mayor Reno swore Mr. Branigan into his position on council.

DeRunk reviewed the consent agenda items.

Public Comments on agenda related items: Yes

Mr. Wigginton asked where the \$43,000 is coming for the trunkline transfer?

DeRunk responded that there was an overpayment of \$85,000 and the funds are coming from the overpayment.

Registered Public Comments:

Sara Mariachero – Library Report

Mariachero gave her monthly library report.

Jenny Mandak: Family Events in Triboro Communities

Mandak would like to host a movie night in Kennedy Park some time in August. August 11th or August 18th.

Adams made a motion to add movie night to the consent agenda.

2nd by Jaso

All in Favor – Yes

Adams made a motion to modify the movie night to inclusive to August.
2nd by Jaso
All in Favor – Yes

Saul Brezner: Internship Update
Brezner gave a presentation on the Capital Improvement Plan.

Reports:

Reports from Commissions:

Parks and Recreation – Helbing gave the P&R monthly report.
HRC – Ishman gave the monthly report for the commission.

Presidents Report – Adrienne Laing

Laing said there was two executive sessions. One regarding a possible litigation and the other was a personnel issue.

Laing said Joel Carmody the working foreman gave his resignation and need a motion to accept.

Pastor made the motion to accept the resignation of Joel Carmody.

2nd by Jaso

All in Favor – Yes

Laing said a motion needs to make to promote Dominic Magnelli to the Working Foreman position.

Adams made a motion to promote Dominic Magnelli to DPW Working Foreman.

2nd by Ishman

All in Favor – Yes

Public Safety – Karen Pastor & Peter Adams

Pastor said there were 81 dispatched EMS calls.

Pastor also said there was 46 Fire calls in May.

Pastor mentioned that the merger of Sharpsburg and Aspinwall fire departments has been approved by the courts.

Reno read the police report.

Communications Committee – Sarah Ishman & Kayla Portis

Ishman gave a status report of the sale of the trailer and shop sweeper on Municibid.

Ishman also said she is reviewing the personnel manual which hasn't been looked at since 2016. The manual needs to be refreshed.

Zoning/Planning/Code – Jonathan Jaso

Nothing currently.

Asset Management – Jonathan Jaso

Magnelli gave the monthly DPW report.

DeRunk reviewed the engineering report.

Environment – Kayla Portis & Karen Pastor

Nothing currently.

Finance – Peter Adams & Sarah Ishman

Review of the budget report.

Mayor’s Report – Brittany Reno

Reno gave an update on the FEMA’s requirements for flood plain management and where the borough is in the process.

Reno thanked the DPW for hanging the Flea Market banners and thanked everyone for coming out and supporting the flea market.

Reno said don’t miss the Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, 4-8pm, Kennedy Park.

Reno thanked Deep Local for working with the community garden on setting up an automatic sprinkling system for the volunteers. And also thanked them for the cooler to keep the produce fresh.

Solicitor’s Report – Matt Kalina

Nothing currently.

Manager’s Report – Christine DeRunk

DeRunk reviewed the three items in her report.

DeRunk asked for a motion to work in partnership with O’Hara to pave Sharpsburg’s portion of Ravine Street this summer.

Jaso made a motion to allow the repaving of Ravine Street not to exceed \$10,000 via O’Hara Township.

2nd by Pastor

All in Favor – Yes

DeRunk reviewed the issues with Peoples gas.

DeRunk gave a brief overview of the Audit.

Junior Councilperson Report – Roman Mason

Mason thanked DeRunk for the lights at the basketball courts.

Consent Agenda:

1. Payment of bills through May 31, 2023
2. Minutes from May 25, 2023, meeting
3. Approval to begin process to place 200 10th Street into Land Bank
4. Approval to award rock salt contract to Morton Salt
5. Resolution 23-13 to authorize Borough Manager as the designated signatory for ALCOSAN regionalization paperwork
6. Turn over sewer lines to ALCOSN for a69/A-70 at no cost
7. Turn over trunk line A-72 to ALCOSAN for outfalls at a cost of \$43,101.38
8. Concurring resolution 23-14 to apply for Act152 funds to demolish: 106-108 1st St., 21 5th St., and 207 Altmeyer
9. Slum and Blight resolution 23015 related to Act 152 application

10. Approval for Manager to get bids and/or RFQ's for landscaping and snow removal services and to advertise for bids, if necessary.
11. Approval for local students and artists to paint a mural at the kayak launch
12. Move of Triboro move night in August.

Motion by Jaso

2nd by Adams

All in Favor – Yes

Roll Call:

Jaso – Yes

Pastor – Yes

Ishman – Yes

Adams – Yes

Laing – Yes

Other Reports:

Zoning/Building – Monthly BIU report

Inspection Report

Laing asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm.

Motion by Jaso

2nd by Ishman

All in Favor – Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine DeRunk
Borough Manager

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