SHARPSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
November 16, 2023

Honorable Mayor
Members of Council

The Regular Business Meeting of the Sharpsburg Council was held on November 16, 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, Karen Pastor, David Breingan, Sarah Ishman, Adrianne Laing, Peter Adams, Mayor Reno(excused), Chief Stelitano

DeRunk reviewed the consent agenda items.

Public Comments: None

Registered Public Comments:
Sara Mariacher – Sharpsburg Library monthly report.
Mariacher gave her monthly report and chili cookoff plans.

Reports from Commissions
Parks and Recreation – Nothing.
Historical Commission – Next month.

President's Report – Adrianne Laing
Laing said there were two executive sessions. One regarding personnel and one regarding potential litigation.

Mayor's Report – Brittany Reno
Excused

Public Safety – Karen Pastor & Peter Adams
Chief Stelitano gave the monthly police report.
Adams recognized Officer Smith with assisting with a cardiac arrest in front of Aspinwall Borough.
Pastor said there was 58 fire calls in October.
Pastor mentioned the SAVES event between the two firehouses was a success.
Pastor said that the new fire Chief of SAVES will be Mike Daniher.
Adams reviewed the EMS report.
Adams made a motion to appoint Sarah Ishman as the council member to attend the monthly SAVES meeting with Adrianne Laing as the backup attendee.
2nd by Portis

All in Favor – Yes

Communication Committee – Sarah Ishman & Kayla Portis
Portis said if anyone has any cost-effective ways to get the newsletter to the public.

Zoning/Hearing/Code – Jonathan Jaso & David Breingan
Breingan said he has no updates at this time and will have more next month.

Asset Management – Jonathan Jaso & David Breingan
Jaso reviewed the DPW report.
Jaso said nothing new in the engineering report.

Environment – Kayla Portis & Kren Pastor
Nothing currently.

Finance – Peter Adams & Sarah Ishman
Adams said the budget reports and said there's nothing problematic.
Ishman asked if the request for $500 for Memorial Day Parade. A discussion ensued.
There was a discussion about changing the fire tax to Emergency service tax.
Ishman made a motion to rename the fire tax to emergency service tax.
2nd by Adams
All in Favor – No
Roll Call:
Pastor – No
Breingan – Yes
Ishman – Yes
Adams – Yes
Jaso – No
Portis - Yes
Laing – No
4-3 Motion Carries

Adams made a motion to approve by Resolution 23026 adopting the 2024 budget and keeping the millage at 9.25 mills for general purposes and 0.5 mills for Fire Tax/Emergency Services.
2nd by Ishman
All in Favor – Yes

Solicitor – Matt Kalina
Nothing currently.

Manager's Report – Christine DeRunk
DeRunk will be future swearing in of Colleen DifFilippo to Planning Commission and Clair Raines to HRC.
DeRunk said she received multiple compliments in the newsletter and that there is another person that is interested in joining Parks and Recreation.

DeRunk said that 1833 Main Street is almost demolished and that the Clay Street house demolition will start next week.

Consent Agenda:

1. Payment of bills through October 31, 2023
2. Minutes from October 26, 2023 meeting
3. Install meters at ADA spots on Main Street if they are not already metered
4. Approval for Turkey Bowl on November 25th (rain date 26th) at Heinz Memorial Field
5. Resolution 23-27 to apply for Local Share Account grant in the amount of $387,174 (local share of $68,325 and total project $455,499)
6. Advertise ordinance enabling Fire Tax/Emergency Services Tax
7. Approve submission of Letter of Support for CCI are grant

Motion by Jaso
2nd by Portis
All in Favor – Yes

Other Reports:

1. Zoning/Building – see monthly BIU report
2. Inspection Report

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine DeRunk
Borough Manager

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