

The Borough Council of Shiremanstown, Pennsylvania held its regular monthly meeting March 9, 2020, at 7:10 P.M. at Borough Hall, One Park Lane, Shiremanstown, Pennsylvania.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

John J. Getz, President
Gary Gardner
Lucy Getz
David Lagerholm
Matthew Simmons
W. Grant Tankersly

BOROUGH OFFICIALS PRESENT

Tammie G. Dailey, Mayor
Andrew Sheely, Solicitor
George W. Lane, Treasurer
Janna Colechio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Gardner and seconded by Mr. Simmons, the minutes of the February 10, 2020 Council Meeting were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The January 2020 Treasurer's Report previously had been distributed to Council. Mr. Simmons made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for January 2020 and file it for audit. With a second from Mrs. Getz, the motion passed unanimously.

The February 2020 Treasurer's Report previously had been distributed to Council. Mr. Simmons made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for February 2020 and file it for audit. With a second from Mrs. Getz, the motion passed unanimously.

The 2020 Resolution for a premium only health insurance plan was presented by Mr. Lane. Mr. Lagerholm made a motion to adopt Resolution 01-2020 as presented by the Treasurer. With a second from Mr. Gardner, the motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN'S REPORT

Citizens Present:

Steve Heiges

Nine North High Street

Mr. Heiges stated that he loves everything about living in Shiremanstown except some of the narrow streets, particularly North High Street. He requested that Council consider making this street a one-way street to avoid any potential accidents. Mr. Getz, Mr. Gardner, and Mr. Bretz agreed to meet Mr. Heiges on site to review his concerns and bring any recommendations to Council.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ordinance 412, an ordinance repealing Ordinance 178 establishing a per capita tax in the Borough Shiremanstown had been duly advertised and made available for inspection to the public and was presented to Council for final approval. Mr. Lane reiterated that collection of the tax had been discontinued in 2014 when it was determined that the additional cost of collecting the tax negated the collection of the funds. Mr. Simmons made a motion to adopt the ordinance as advertised. With a second from Mrs. Getz, the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Mr. Getz had nothing new to report.

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATOR

Mr. Getz had nothing new to report.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/FIRE DEPARTMENT

The November and December 2019 financial reports from the Shiremanstown Fire Department as well January 2020 have been received. The December 2019 and January and February 2020 Firemen's Relief Association had not yet been received.

Mr. Simmons had addressed the findings of the most recent Fireman's Relief Association Audit with the Shiremanstown Fire Department. He had been assured that a surety bond had been issued and additional steps had been taken to correct the situation to ensure that this would not be an issue again. Details, however, had not been provided.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING

Mr. Simmons had nothing new to report.

CODES ENFORCEMENT/ZONING OFFICER

The Zoning Officer's Report for the month of February had been distributed to Council. Seven building permits, one zoning permit, and one sidewalk permit had been issued in February for a total of \$611.50 (six hundred eleven dollars and fifty cents) collected in fees.

Thirty-nine letters had been mailed regarding changes made to the FEMA flood map. Of those thirty-nine, one, the property owner of 410 East Main Street, had contacted Ms. Alloway objecting to the change in status. Appeal to FEMA must be made through the municipality on behalf of the residents affected. Because the changes moved all the properties to the moderate-risk area making flood insurance optional but recommended by FEMA and the majority of residents had not expressed concern, Council felt there was no need to further pursue the matter.

MAINTENANCE AND BOROUGH GROUNDS

Dates for street sweeping in the Borough have been set for April 6 and 7, 2020 and October 5 and 6, 2020.

New LED lighting has been ordered to increase security around the Borough building.

Camp Hill Borough is installing a swipe card system at the mulching facility. Mr. Getz will be contacted regarding if the Borough will be permitted continue use of the facility for leaf-pick up/recycling.

STREETS AND PAVEMENTS

Mr. Gardner had nothing new to report.

MECHANICSBURG SCHOOL BOARD

There was no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION

The Recreation Committee will meet on April 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Mr. Tankersly announced the Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 11, 2020.

MAIN STREET CORRIDOR

Mrs. Getz presented photographs of signs that can be used for various Borough functions and activities that would be of a superior construction quality with improved visibility. Presented, were a two-sided swinging message board with a cost of \$390 per sign and a corrugated plastic sign with custom inserts costing \$190 per sign and a set of skids for \$65 for each sign. After the initial investment, custom inserts per event would be printed on acrylic pieces to slide into the track of the changeable copy sign. Four signs are need for the entrances to the Borough. Mr. Tankersly made a motion to authorize the purchase of four corrugated signs and skids to advertize the Easter Egg Hunt. With a second from Mr. Lagerholm, the motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR’S REPORT

February			
Complaints Rec’d	29	Traffic	4
Criminal	4	Non-Traffic	0
Assist. Other Depts.	12	Verbal Warn	2
PD Revenue	\$ 367.53	Parking Tkts	1
		Written Warn	1

Officer	Hours	Traffic Tickets/Arrests	
Stoner	180.0	2	
Montgomery	180.0		2
Shaughnessy	41.5		0
Holley	9.0	0	
Hutcheson	46.0	0	
Hall	50.5		0
Pidcock	9.0		0
Shifflet	0.0		0
Kitzmilller	0.0	0	

Citations for the month included 1 (one) for careless driving, 1 (one) for One Way Street violation, 1 (one) summary offense, and 1(one) expired inspection.

It was announced that Keystone Gas station had closed. Sunoco credit cards are available to police and road crew use.

The Chief thanked Mayor Dailey for a recent donation of \$50 (fifty dollars) as gratitude for their work in closing the illicit massage parlor.

Drones are becoming a common nuisance when trying to walk in the Borough. The Solicitor advised that such incidents should be called into the police as harassment as they occur.

Three teens, approximately seventeen or older, have been gaining entrance to homes by jiggling doors. Council was advised to exercise precaution and to report to the police if this group is seen.

Mayor Dailey donated a Peter Cottontail costume to the Borough.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

The Solicitor reminded Council that it is their responsibility to appoint an interested citizen to the vacancy currently on Council.

The Mayor, Zoning Officer and Solicitor have consulted and approved the map of the borough for the 2020 census.

OLD BUSINESS

Updating of Zoning Ordinances would qualify for the Cumberland Plans Grant Program. The Solicitor strongly urged that this project be considered and data concerning the estimated costs as well as a project description be prepared. He also recommended that the Zoning Officer contact companies for estimates for electronic codification.

Chief Stoner, President Getz, and the Secretary will be receiving training on implementing the CivicPlus system in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS

Council learned of the birth of a Leap Year Baby, Lillian Claire Pitcher-Johnson, being born at home early in the afternoon of February 29, 2020. County Dispatch talked Cody through the delivery process until first responders arrived on the scene. Mother and child were then transported to UPMC for medical assessment. Congratulations were offered to Cody and Beverly Pitcher-Johnson on the birth of their first child.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

Mr. Simmons made a motion to accept the receipts and pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tankersly and carried.

Mr. Simmons made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 P.M. With a second from Mr. Tankersly, the motion passed unanimously.

SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL,

Janna E. Colechio
Borough Secretary

