

New Eagle Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the regular meeting place.

The meeting was called to order by President Fine with the following members of Council being present and answering to the call of the roll by the Secretary: Messrs. J. Ferguson, J. Fine and W. Sherry. Absent was A. Caseber and O. Pucel. Also present were Mr. C. Fine, Mayor and Mr. T. Berggren, Solicitor.

Ms. Marti Thieret appeared before Council on behalf of her Mother-in-law who lives at 428 4th Avenue regarding the house next door that burnt down. She advised that debris from the property is blowing and hitting her Mother-in-law's house and she is frightened that it will damage her home. Also, when this occurs at night, she feels as though someone is trying to break into her home. Solicitor Berggren advised the Secretary to email Kerry Krider of HMT & Associates to check into the situation to make sure of the safety of the property. Chief Tempest advised that she should call 911 if she ever had a safety concern. Mr. Ferguson suggested that the Police Department keep an extra watch on the area.

The Secretary read a letter that was received from Mr. Archie Caseber advising that he is resigning from his position on Council. It was moved by Ferguson and seconded by Sherry to accept his resignation. Motion was carried with Ferguson and Sherry voting to accept the resignation and Fine voting not to accept the resignation.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to Council for approval. There being no additions or corrections, it was moved by Sherry and seconded by Ferguson to approve the Minutes as presented. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Bills in the amount of \$16,789.70 were presented to Council for payment. It was moved by Ferguson and seconded by Sherry to pay all bills. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Mr. Ferguson advised that he spoke with the Monongahela Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the reservations for the use of Tubby Hall Park for the upcoming season. He had spoken to Dorothea Pemberton of the Chamber and she is willing to take care of this for the Action Group since Judy Vignoli is no longer able to do so.

Mr. Ferguson advised that Parks and Recreation needs to do something with the press box at the ballfield. He feels that it needs to be sided to avoid any further deterioration. Also, there is a huge hornets nest that needs to be removed prior to the weather change. He will check into pricing for the repairs needed. President Fine advised that a light is needed in front of the press box in order to accommodate the flags that need to be installed on the field. The Secretary advised that a pole is also needed.

President Fine advised Solicitor Berggren to get in touch with PA American Water regarding payment of street opening fees that were not paid for 2016. The Secretary will email the information to Mr. Berggren.

Mr. Sherry advised that the Public Works Department has been performing general maintenance on the vehicles and keeping up with the salting of the roads.

Mayor Fine advised that there are some junk cars to be towed. He also wanted to thank the Borough for the generous donation towards the treat bags that Santa handed out from the firetruck on December 20th. He said that 272 bags were handed out throughout the Borough, including some at the high-rise and 6 for children at Mon Valley Hospital.

President Fine advised that there were some re-forestation complaints received by him. Solicitor Berggren advised that nothing can be enforced until May so this issue can wait until then.

Mr. Brian Barkby asked Council if he had to cut his grass in May in the area of the re-forestation. Council will look at the trees progress at that time to decide.

There being no other business, it was moved by Sherry and seconded by Ferguson to adjourn at 7:19 PM. Motion was carried.

Diane L. Anthony, Borough Secretary