

New Eagle Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 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. A. Caseber, J. Ferguson, J. Fine, O. Pucel and W. Sherry. There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in order. Also present were Mr. C. Fine, Mayor and Mr. T. Berggren, Solicitor.

The Secretary advised Council of a phone call she received from Doreen Zavarello thanking the Borough Street Department for the beautiful job they did when paving South Drive recently and for putting down the stones. She said we have her deepest thank you for doing this.

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 Caseber to approve the Minutes as presented. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Bills in the amount of \$37,904.60 were presented to Council for payment. It was moved by Pucel and seconded by Sherry to pay all bills. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

President Fine advised that he received a request from the Monongahela Area Library Board requesting that Mr. William Bautz be replaced by Ms. Linda Hall. It was moved by Caseber and seconded by Ferguson to appoint Ms. Hall to replace Mr. Bautz. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

President Fine advised that he was able to get in touch with a Railroad Supervisor to discuss the water issue that was occurring at Mr. William Bautz's property. The Supervisor advised that the Shire Oaks employees were to fix the problem as soon as possible. The Railroad Crew not only fixed the problem, but also advised that they will repair the crossings at Howard Street and Robinson Street as well as draining the ditch by the Borough Building.

President Fine advised that the backflow preventer was installed at the Borough Building at the request of the PA American Water Company and the preventer at the Garage was inspected.

President Fine advised that the paving being done with the Monongahela Street Department is just about done.

Mr. Ferguson advised that the Halloween Parade that was held was a great success, but Trick or Treat was sporadic in his area.

Mr. Ferguson advised that The Monongahela Veterans Council will meet at the Gazebo on Veteran's Day, November 11th at 9:00 AM for their services. Also, A new flag pole will be dedicated at 9:00 AM on the Island at Chess Park.

Mr. Caseber advised that he shut the water service off at the ballfield for the winter months to prevent the pipes from freezing. He also advised that there are 6 pipes sticking out of the ground on the ballfield that had been used for the batting cage. He requested that the pipes be cut flush to the ground to prevent anyone from being injured since some children still play at the field.

Mr. Sherry advised that the Street Department had been concentrating on the paving as well as general maintenance of the equipment.

Mr. Pucel suggested that a Halloween Block Party or a Festival would be a good idea for next year. He advised that there were so many children on 7th Avenue during Trick or Treat that it was difficult to get around.

Mayor Fine advised that Council would have the full support of the New Eagle Volunteer Fire Department in making the Halloween event a success. He also stated that it took the fire truck 15 minutes to get from one end of 7th Avenue to the other because of all of the children that were out. He thanked the Police Department for the good job of keeping everyone safe.

Mayor Fine also commented that the paving that has been done looks great and looks like a professional job.

President Fine suggested that the \$50,000 that the Borough will receive from the Redevelopment Authority should be used for the storm sewer problem that is occurring on 2nd Avenue. It was moved by Pucel and seconded by Sherry to use the money for the storm sewer. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

The Proposed 2017 Budget for The Borough of New Eagle was presented to Council for approval. It was moved by Caseber and seconded by Ferguson to approve the Proposed Budget. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

The Secretary inquired of Council of the status of bidding out the red truck. After reconsideration, it was moved by Pucel and seconded by Ferguson to rescind the previous Motion to bid out the red truck. Motion was carried with Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Fine, Mr. Pucel and Mr. Sherry voting to rescind and Mr. Caseber voting not to rescind.

Mayor Fine advised that the Fire Department and Santa will once again be handing out bags to the children of the Borough on Tuesday, December 20th. He said that they usually hand out 350 bags and the cost is around \$700. He asked the Borough to again consider a donation towards this program. It was moved by Sherry and seconded by Ferguson to donate \$250 towards the program. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

There being no other business, it was moved by Caseber and seconded by Pucel to adjourn at 7:23 PM. Motion was carried.

Diane L. Anthony, Borough Secretary