

McSherrystown Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday August 10, 2022 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the McSherrystown Borough Council was called to order in the Borough chambers at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August 10th, 2022. Vice-President Murren opened the meeting with prayer and the pledge of allegiance with the following Council members in attendance.

Joyce Murren
William Smith
Joseph VonSas
Donna Spangler
Tim Klunk
George Staub

STAFF PRESENT: Kathleen Todt, Justin George, Dennis Rishel

APPROVAL FOR WILLIAM SMITH TO TAKE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING:

Smith will take the minutes in the absence of Secretary/Treasurer.

A motion was made by _Council Member Klunk_ to allow Smith to take the minutes. Seconded by _Council Member Staub_.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Council needs to approve the meeting minutes from the July 13th Meeting.

A motion was made by _Council Member von Sas_ to approve the meeting minutes from the July 13th meeting. Seconded by _Council Member Klunk_.

Roll Call Vote: Joyce Murren – Yes, Bill Smith – Yes, Joseph VonSas – Yes, Donna Spangler – Yes, Tim Klunk – Yes, George Staub- Yes. Motion passes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TruGreen Commercial did their first application of herbicide on Thursday August 4 in the borough. The next application will be in Mid to end of September or early October based on scheduling.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: McSherrystown withdrew its employment offer for the Part time code enforcement officer and the position will remain open to applicants.

Due to the expected staffing issue approved in July; the Office will begin being closed to the public on Tuesdays. It began effective August 9 and will continue to approximately the second week of September.

PLANNING & ZONING:

No new work was apparent at the South Second St. development

HIGHWAYS:

No report

BUILDING & GROUNDS:

No report

CIVIL SERVICE:

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Safety upgrades to parking area in back of the borough building will begin soon.

RECREATION:

No report

SEWER:

Since we are down to one road crew member, Hanover has been helping us with some of our sewer projects. They want to stress that they expect the help to be on a temporary basis only.

SOLID WASTE:

We are still single-streaming our residential waste.

FINANCE: Past due and collections letters will be going out beginning of next week.

MAYOR'S OFFICE:

No report

SOLICITOR'S OFFICE:

A company, Kentel (sp?) has reached out to the borough to announce its plans to begin servicing the area with fiber optic internet.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

1. **Rick Groft**- stated concerns with the performance of TruGreen while spraying for weeds in the borough. He also urged the borough to act quickly to replace our recently retired road crew member.
2. **Becky Kopf**- stated concern about the unfilled borough manager position and zone enforcement position. She was also concerned with the remains of the large weeds going in the storm drains.
3. **Luanne Boring**- stated concern about the consolidation of the garbage and sewer bills. She was also concerned with the changes to the penalty policy for delinquent bill accounts.
4. **William H. Smith, Jr.**- urged the borough to be more proactive in hiring people for vacant positions, especially with winter approaching.
5. **Tom Snyder**- stated his displeasure with the current Council and urged residents to attend borough council meetings.

OLD BUSINESS:

UPDATE ON ADA RAMP PROJECT

No bids have been received for the project. Solicitor will resend requests.

UPDATE ON SENIOR CENTER DOOR PROJECT

Kelly Shultz is the new president and Trudy Starter is the new vice president back at the Senior Center.

We are still seeking a third bid on the project for an automatic door.

UPDATE ON FENCE PROJECT

Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL PAYMENTS

A motion was made by _Council Member Staub_ to approve the Financial payments for the month. Seconded by _Council Member von Sas_.

Roll Call Vote: Joyce Murren – Yes, Bill Smith – Yes, Joseph VonSas – Yes, Donna Spangler – Yes, Tim Klunk – Yes, George Staub- Yes. Motion passes.

The next public meeting of the McSherrystown Borough Council is currently scheduled for Wednesday August 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the Borough Council Chambers.

Motion to adjourn made by _Council Member Murren_ at _7:18_ pm

End Minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,
William Smith
Pro Tempore