

October 20, 2016
COUNCIL MEETING

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a brief invocation, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council President John Kautz at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

Present: Council members John Kautz, Diane Bradshaw, Nancy Walker, and Cindee Virostek were present. Mark Greenawalt, Cheryl Swank, and Denny Gabrielli were absent. Solicitor Tim Miller was present. Mayor Held was present.

Public Comments: Karen Graham - tree for down at the bridge from Davey Tree is not available yet. They want to schedule a planting date, and a public memorial service for inside later – probably at Soldiers & Sailors..

Allison Jones - Insurance Agency on First Street; presented council with a number of complaints regarding the property and street issues with her business office. She would like to change the alley to one way, and have it repaired. She complained that Family Dollar unloads a trailer in the back of the building between 9 – 4:30 PM and blocks the alley. She wants to know who is responsible for the sidewalks on her side of the street – she states they are a disaster and she would like it fixed. She would also like to have a pedestrian crosswalk located right across from her office. There is already one located a short distance down at the Family Dollar intersection. She would like council to consider her request for these changes.

Keith Davis – He purchased properties down at N. Warren Avenue where garbage was dumped behind the properties and he cleared a lot on N. Warren Avenue; he has vehicles, and ATVs on the property that belongs to the borough and vehicles that were brought onto his property without any right of way through the borough property. He has been warned to remove the vehicles. He asked that council consider selling him the property.

Bill Walker – Apollo VFD#2 – met with the planning committee and had a lengthy discussion with Ken Volk from the MAWC regarding the fire-fighting situation in front of the high rise building and the parking in front.

Engineering Report: Presented to council.

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Nancy Walker, to pay the Olsen Engineering invoices as presented in a total amount of \$9161.47. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor's Report: Most agenda items from the solicitor need to be reported to council during an executive session, and discussion ensued regarding holding a recessed meeting to cover those items with more council members being present.

A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by Nancy Walker, to pay the solicitor's invoices in the total amount of \$1860. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Cindee Virostek, to approve the minutes of September 22, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: the Mayor informed council about an emergency situation in town where Ron Olsen was contacted about a structural engineering opinion and he helped us out.

Narcan was used by one of our officers and a life was saved recently.

Jeffrey Riel-Schloss was hired as a part time officer. A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by Cindee Virostek, to acknowledge council's previous email approval was unanimous and affirms the decision of council to hire him. Motion passed unanimously.

RAID is having a Thanksgiving dinner at the Apollo Assemble of God on November 19, 2016 from 2 – 4 PM at 609 First Street.

After consideration, a motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw to approve updating the DVR/Wifi police department video cameras downtown at a cost of \$1345. Motion carried unanimously.

Oklahoma EMS coverage for Apollo was discussed at length. Murrysville Medic One will now be the ambulance service in Washington Twp. and would be Apollo's primary responder. They will be staffing an office in Washington Township at all times. Apollo must enter into an agreement to be included with the ambulance service. A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to enter into a mutual aid agreement with Murrysville Medic One as the primary backup to Oklahoma Ambulance Service, effective November 1, 2016 based on the approval of the legal wording of the agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Manager Report: Ray Damico applied for a handicap permit, which was approved by Sgt. Kier. A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the handicap permit. Motion passed unanimously.

Council has no objections to providing the merchants with free meter parking from November 24, 2016 through January 1, 2017.

Planning Committee Report

Cheryl Swank – Chairman

Public Works & Streets Committee Report:

Mark Greenawalt – Chairman

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report:

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

Property Committee Report:

Denny Gabrielli – Chairman

Finance Committee Report

John Kautz – Chairman

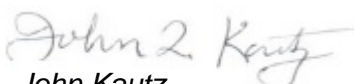
The finance committee will continue to meet and develop a proposed budget for 2017.

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD September 2016):

Garbage Fund – \$27,598.00
General Fund (includes payroll) – \$15,126.94
Liquid Fuels Fund – \$3,534.67
Sewer Fund – \$17,947.17
Sewer Separation Fund - \$2,395.03
Parking Fund – \$26,094.82
Total – \$92,696.63

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Nancy Walker, to pay all bills, including payroll. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Kautz recessed the meeting to October 27, 2016.


John Kautz
Council President


Cynthia McDermott
Borough Manager