

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY  
REGULAR MEETING  
Of BOROUGH COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.  
BOROUGH OFFICE**

**MINUTES**

Council President John VanVolkenburgh called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. The attendance was as follows:

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Present**

John J. VanVolkenburgh, President

Janis Ashman

Thomas Fitzsimmons

Neal E. Abrams

Tammy Lytle

N. Kenneth Lundberg

Dan Patton

**Absent**

**BOROUGH OFFICIALS, ETC.**

Ronald J. Harris, Mayor

David A. Hazlett, Borough Manager

Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary

David Baker, Zoning Officer

Richard L. Hileman, II; Chief of Police

Sam Wiser, Borough Solicitor

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 2014 REGULAR MEETING**

\*\*\* T. Lytle moved, K. Lundberg seconded, that the minutes of the February 11, 2014 Regular Council meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed with D. Patton abstaining.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

The Following Citizens addressed Council at this time:

- Ms. Trisha Zimmerman, Senior from Fairfield High School regarding her senior project. Miss Zimmerman asked that park rental fees be waived for a 5K walk to benefit the TEAL organization's ovarian cancer research project to be held on Saturday, April 5, 2014 from 7am until noon. This event is being held as in memory of Miss Zimmerman's grandmother. Council offered their support and waived the fee by consensus.
- Dalton Carbaugh, Chase Senseney, Brett Harris, and David Stone, Seniors from Fairfield High School regarding their senior project. A Golf Tournament is scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday, April 5, 2014 to raise money for an outfield fence for the Ranch Trail Commons Baseball field. Council by offered their support.

Congratulations was offered to both endeavors and thanks for their dedication to family and community.

- Mr. Eric Flynn, Liberty Mountain Resorts gave a presentation outlining the schedule for the improvement project for the Golf Resort.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

No business was discussed.

**MAYOR'S REPORT – R. HARRIS**

Mayor Harris provided updates or follow-ups for the following:

- Chief Hileman provided:
  - Police Report
  - Update on the charges pending in the DUI fatality last fall in the Borough
  - Asked those who frequent the Social Media Sites of the Borough's to please watch a video posted that shows a person of interest and vehicle in reference to a theft of items from a vehicle in Fairfield Borough.
- Disabled Persons Assistance Program

- Opening Day for Fairfield Youth Baseball and Softball and team parade
- 2013 Awards Banquet of Fairfield Fire/EMS
- Shared a list of the upcoming meetings and events

## **FIRE/EMS/EMA REPORTS**

Updates, Statistics and Information were supplied for the following:

- Mr. Neal Abrams, Fairfield Fire/EMS
  - 2013 in Review: 849 Ambulance/EMS Calls and 215 Fire/Rescue Calls
  - Change batteries in Smoke Detectors and test them regularly
  - EMS Day will be held Sunday, May 18, 2014

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Parks, Recreation and Environmental Advisory Committee:

Unable to meet due to no quorum

Planning Commission:

Mr. Ed Kaplan, Commission Chairman reported on the following:

- Ordinances:
  - Cluster Housing – under review by members and the Borough Solicitor has been asked to attend the April meeting in order to offer his professional opinion and answer outstanding questions.
  - Domestic Chickens – following discussion, the Commission recommended that the Council stand by its 2012 decision and not revisit the issue.
- Brief overview of the South West Adams County Joint Comprehensive Plan and shared that the County representatives will be presenting more details in the near future.

Mr. Patton spoke regarding the myths about Domesticated Chickens/Hens and expressed his disappointment that his peers on council were unwilling to discuss the topic. Mr. Patton made a motion to open discussion regarding an ordinance to allow the keeping of domesticated chickens in a residential district; however, the motion died for lack of a second.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – BOROUGH MANAGER**

**Treasurer's Report for February 2014.** Following brief discussion:

\*\*\*T. Fitzsimmons moved, J. Ashman seconded, that Council accept the February 2014 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**2014 Materials Bid.** Mr. Hazlett outlined the items required for the 2014 Materials Bid and requested Council permission to advertise for said materials. Following brief discussion:

\*\*\*T. Fitzsimmons moved; D. Patton seconded that Council authorize Borough Staff to advertise the 2014 Materials as outlined. Motion passed unanimously.

**2014 Capital Purchase.** Mr. Hazlett reviewed the memorandum and supporting documents regarding the purchase of a 2015 Mack GU432 model chassis with dump body, plow and spreader. He explained that this vehicle is identified in the approved 2014 Capital Fund Budget and requests permission to initiate the purchase from State Contract. Following brief discussion:

T. Lytle moved; N. Abrams seconded that Council approve the Capital Expenditure of \$138,069.84 for a 2015 Mack GU432 chassis with dump body, plow and spreader as outlined. Motion passed unanimously.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Municipal Building.** Mayor Harris reported that the Committee is preparing a briefing for the April 2014 meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Nothing.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Abrams offered a public thank you and commended the Municipal Services Department on the excellent service in snow removal and Mr. Lundberg offered a brief explanation of the proper resident removal of snow from their driveways.

Mr. Richard Matthews, 21 Helen Trail, Carroll Valley; addressed Council regarding Liberty Township proposed growth and shared information from their public township meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9: 15 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

The Attendance Register is attached, numbered Page 4 and made a part of the Official Minutes.

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Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary