

**MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 14, 2022**

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 1900 hrs. in the Mountville Borough Hall at 21 E. Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554.

The following Council members were present:

- President Jesse Hersh, Vice President Christine Eshleman, Lenny Heisey, Phil Kresge, Matt Auker, and Mayor Steve Mitchell. Harry Morgan was absent.
- Also, present were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Lisa Layden, Mountville Fire Co #1 Chief Dean Gantz, and Borough Manager Derrick Millhouse.

The meeting was called to order at 1900 hrs. by Council President J. Hersh who then gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hersh addressed the visitors in the room. He advised them of the public comment sections of the meeting, and if anyone wished to be heard during those times, they could stand, state their name, and address, and then address the Council.

**Public Comment** - None

**Recognition of Visitors**

- Mountville Community Services Foundation
  - The foundation formally requested to be considered a candidate to receive disbursement of ARPA funding.
- Mountville VFW
  - Requesting a letter from the Borough authorizing the parade. This letter will be needed for PennDot approval.
    - *C. Eshleman moved to approve the parade and a letter to be drafted from the Borough for PennDot approval.* M. Auker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
    - A certificate of insurance will also be required.

**Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports**

- *L. Heisey moved to accept the minutes of the January 10, 2022, meeting as distributed.* M. Auker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- *C. Eshleman moved to accept the financial reports and fund distributions as presented.* L. Heisey seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- *L. Heisey moved to accept the minutes of the January 3, 2022, reorganization meeting as distributed.* M. Auker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

**Public Safety – Police/Fire**

Chairperson – Phil Kresge

- The Chair recognized West Hempfield Police Department Chief Layden. Chief Layden reviewed the police report distributed at the meeting.
  - Chief Layden announced they have hired two more officers. The Chief will bring them to a future meeting to be introduced to Council.
- The Chair recognized Mountville Fire Co #1 Chief Gantz. Chief Gantz reviewed the January 2022 monthly report.

### **Public Safety – Planning/Zoning**

Chairperson – Lenny Heisey

- Chair L .Heisey reported that 1 permit was issued for period January 2022:
  - #2259                    313 E. Main St.                    Pad/Shed                    \$ 35.00
- Code Enforcement for the month of December.
  - None
- The Planning Commission
  - Dayspring School Project
    - The planning commission will need to meet to discuss the project. Preliminary design has begun for a new school located at 363 W. Main St.
- The Zoning Hearing Board had nothing to review.

### **General Government**

Chairperson – Christine D. Eshleman

- ARPA Funding – A committee was formed to discuss the distribution and use of the ARPA funding.
  - *C. Eshleman moved to form the ARPA Funding Committee and appoint C. Eshleman, L. Heisey, P. Kresge and S. Mitchell to serve on it.* M. Auker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.
- C. Eshleman will be participating in a reading program with the Mountville Elementary School. She encouraged other members of Council to participate as well.

### **Public Works – Streets**

Chairperson – Matthew T. Auker

- The Main and Manor project for signal lights:
  - Survey crews have begun work on the project.
  - Updates will be forth coming as the project moves forward.
- Fridy Street Stormwater:
  - Bid documents are ready to go out for bid.

- *M. Auker moved to authorize Rettew Associates to send documents out for bid for the Fridy Street drainage improvement project. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*
- School Zone sign repair – Still waiting for PPL to provide a new service.
- Road repaving/resurfacing projects:
  - Summit Hills is the next projected project area. The Manager met with Rettew a few weeks ago and will be meeting this week with a representative from Martin’s paving to discuss options.

### **Public Works – Health/Sanitation**

Chairperson – Harry L. Morgan (absent)

- The Borough now has an online portal for trash billing and payments. Credit card payments will now be able to be taken in the office.

### **Parks & Recreation**

Chairperson – Jonah M. Eastep

- HARC representative – No report.
- Spring Hill MS4 Project – We will need to prepare bid documents for the main project. We are still awaiting the amendment from Growing Greener to extend the project.
  - *J. Eastep moved to direct Rettew Assoc. to prepare contract documents for the project. M. Auker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*
- DCNR Project Borough Park – The DCNR award is good for four years. The Borough currently has several projects on the table in other areas currently. We will be tabling the project until 2023.
- P. Kresge met with several members of the community regarding the lawn concerts. They would like to have one of the concerts coincide with the Community Picnic. Council agreed to proceed with planning and coordination of the event.

**Engineers Report** – No Report

### **Manager’s Report**

- Manager Millhouse referred to his report as distributed.
- The Agenda format has changed to comply with new regulations.
- Several forms have been added to the monthly information to Council regarding personnel and storm statistics.

**Mayor’s Report** – No Report

**Personnel Committee Report** – No Report

### **Unfinished Business**

- BIU Agreement – Council will need to approve BIU as an approved code inspector for the Borough. A contract was developed by Attorney Zuke for the agreement.
  - *C. Eshleman moved to approved BIU as an approved code inspector for the Borough.* L. Heisey seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

#### **New Business**

- C. Eshleman proposed purchasing new fleece tops for the Council, office personnel and PW employees. This will be tabled to the next meeting.

#### **Public Comment** - None

#### **Miscellaneous**

- None

**With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2033 hrs.**

Respectfully submitted,

Derrick J. Millhouse  
Secretary/Treasurer

#### **Gallery:**

Stephanie Lavenburg

John Henry

Mike Gieniec