

**Red Lion Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 14th, 2019**

Members

Cindy Barley
Tina Frutiger
Stephanie Weaver
Chris Minnich
Dennis Klinedinst
Nevin Horne
Tony Musso

Others

Dianne Price, Borough Manager
Dan Shaw, Codes/Zoning
Mike Craley, Solicitor
Mayor Walt Hughes
Brett Patterson, Public Works
Stacy Myers, Recording Sec'y

Visitors

Melanie Thompson
Bob Frutiger
Jeff Herrman
Sandra Graham
Pastor Jay McWilliams
Meredith Yakelis

Joe Silar
Skip Missimer
Jeff Beard
Scott Thompson
Laura Kirk
Kristin Sweitzer

Teri Silar
Eric Immel
Keith Kahwajy
Josh Miller
Nick Rhoads
Daryl Lehman

1. The meeting was called to order @ 7:00p.m. Pastor Jay McWilliams from Pleasant View Church offered a prayer. Everyone present participated in the pledge to the flag.
2. Mrs. Frutiger made a motion to approve the December 3rd, 2018 Work Session Minutes; Mrs. Barley seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
Mrs. Frutiger made a motion to approve the December 10th, 2018 Meeting Minutes; Mrs. Barley seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
3. **VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENT**—no one to address Council
4. **MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BUSINESS**—appointment to the vacant position on the Municipal Authority. Mrs. Barley made a motion nominating Dennis Klinedinst to a 5-year term on the Municipal Authority. Mrs. Frutiger made a motion nominating Stephanie Weaver. Mr. Musso seconded Mrs. Barley's motion. A vote was taken; motion carried (4-3) nominating Dennis Klinedinst, with Mrs. Frutiger, Ms. Weaver & Mr. Horne opposing.
5. **MAYOR HUGHES REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**—Mayor Hughes reported:
 - He officiated at a wedding this past calendar quarter.
 - Tonight, he swore in some new members of Leo Fire Company. Once other members are available, he will be swearing them in also.
6. **PUBLIC SAFETY**—Mr. Minnich reported:
 - **Fire Company Report**—
 - In December, there were 16 calls using 68 manpower & 21 pieces of apparatus.
 - List of new officers was distributed. Congratulations to Joe Silar, the new Fire Chief.
 - Mr. Minnich suggested the approx. \$2,500 moved to the "Donation" category during budget time be used for a scholarship program for the Fire Company. Mr. Minnich learned Windsor Township offers two \$1,000 scholarships to local youth and he would like to do the same in Red Lion. Mrs. Price & Council agreed Red Lion could offer this, modeling it after the Windsor program, but with the stipulation that the scholarship recipient live in the Red Lion School District. Mr. Klinedinst made a motion authorizing Mrs. Price to gather information to create a scholarship program for Red Lion School District youth/Fire Company member, with the dollar amount to be determined. Mr. Horne seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.

- Joe Silar also reported, with membership numbers being a challenge, there are now four Administration Officers, where previously there were six. Some of the new positions are:
 - Himself as Fire Chief
 - Assistant Chief—Ben Rodkey
 - Fire Captain—Kevin Granath
 - Deputy Chief—Tim Mooney
 - President—Bill Hoover
 - Vice-President—Scott Kopp
 - February 8th—Earl David Reed show
 - Photo fundraiser will be end of April--letters will be mailed regarding this. Monies raised will go toward water safety & rescue.
 - Joe Silar requested a reserved parking space at his home, 114 Henrietta Street, due to having an additional vehicle (Command vehicle) now. He lives next to Hilltop Apartments & the Day Care & said there are usually parking shortages. Council agreed to this.
- **Ambulance Report**—39 ambulance calls in the Borough for December
 - **EMA Report**—Laura Kirk had nothing new to report; it was a quiet month.
 - **Public Safety/Police**—Police were called regarding a homeless man sleeping on the bench in front of the Municipal Offices recently. While Police & Borough staff gave him information to get help, he was able to stay in someone’s home over that weekend and is hopeful of obtaining a job at Weis Markets.
7. **SOLICITOR’S REPORT**—Mr. Craley stated he began working on the agreement with Red Lion School District for the sidewalk project. As soon as the project specifications are done to attach as an Exhibit, it will be forwarded to the school district. This should be completed shortly.
 8. **ENGINEER’S REPORT**—Jeff Shue was not present tonight. Mr. Klinedinst made a motion to advertise the Horace Mann project; Mr. Musso seconded. The project specs will be received before the next Council meeting; this way it can be advertised when they’re received. All were in favor; motion carried.
 9. **RESOLUTIONS**—Resolution 2019-1—appointing Felix Milner to a 3-year term on the Zoning Hearing Board. Mr. Klinedinst made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-1; Mrs. Barley seconded. Motion carried, with Mr. Musso opposing.
 10. **PARKS AND RECREATION**—Mrs. Barley/Meredith Yakelis/Kristin Sweitzer reported:
 - New Year’s Eve festivities were wet, but successful. Rains stopped before the fireworks display at midnight, which were very good! Thanks again to the Municipal Authority for their donation to the fireworks and bringing the lion out beforehand. Disc Jockey Chris Minnich did a great job that night too! Thank you to all the other volunteers as well!
 - Basketball program is up & running
 - February 23rd—from 5-7p.m.--Spaghetti dinner will be held as a fundraiser for the softball program. Prices are: 13yrs & up--\$5, 6-12yrs--\$3; kids under 6—free. Volunteers are welcome!
 - Three of the four summer counselors will be back this year.
 - April 13th—Easter breakfast & egg hunt—breakfast @ 8am; egg hunt @ 10 (or 10:30am). Sensory egg hunt will be offered; pre-registration for this is required.
 - May 4th—“Let’s Clean Up Red Lion”—from 9-1pm. Recreation & Redevelopment are working this event together to clean up the town, the trail area, & Fairmount Park. Flowers will be available to buy and/or plant that day.
 - Food Truck Fridays—in the works
 - Suds ‘n’ Song event—in the works

- Recreation Board appointments—Mrs. Barley made a motion to appoint Jen Dettinger, Byron Trout & Shane Baldwin each for a 5-year term. Mrs. Frutiger seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
- Waiving alcohol restriction for 2019 Borough events—Mrs. Barley made a motion to waive the Borough’s alcohol restriction for this year’s Suds ‘n’ Song event; Mrs. Frutiger seconded. Motion carried, 4-3 with Ms. Weaver, Mr. Horne & Mr. Klinedinst opposing.

11. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES**—Ms. Weaver reported:

- Friday, January 18th @ 12:30p.m.—regional Stormwater Authority meeting will be held at Windsor Township building. Pizza will be served.
- Wednesday, January 16th @ 6:30p.m.—Source Water Protection Meeting held at Red Lion Municipal Offices.
- Eric Immel from RLMA also reported:
 - Water shutoffs will be Wed, 1/16/19
 - 950 of the new meters have been installed
 - Flushing of the system will be delayed one week—tentatively scheduled for April 8th thru April 26th, 2019
 - Congratulations to Dennis Klinedinst on his appointment to the Municipal Authority
- Of note, the panels for the Jr. High building should be installed shortly (for noise resistance)
- Mr. Klinedinst stated that when he, Ms. Weaver, Mrs. Price & Mr. Horne attended a recent Authority meeting, he thought discussion was going to be held regarding a hydrant & street/manhole agreement. Mr. Immel said he is willing to get a small group of Council & Authority members together for discussion, but no decisions are going to be made this year. He said it is not in the Municipal Authority’s budget to do anything additional in 2019. Mr. Klinedinst said an agreement must be reached regarding fixing the manholes. The snowplow that was damaged on Martin Street cost approx. \$7,000. Mr. Immel said even Solicitor Craley stated the manholes do not move when the snowplow hits it; the dirt around the manhole moves. Martin Street was done by the school district 22 years ago, there is going to be normal wear & tear on a street over a 22-year period. Mr. Klinedinst said Martin Street is just one example; there are other streets and/or manholes that must be repaired, but he doesn’t think it’s fair for taxpayers to pay the cost. The Authority (or their contractors) is responsible for their work for two years after a project. Mr. Klinedinst & Mr Immel agreed that permits for street cutting/work need to be on file, even though permit fees will be waived for Authority work. Mr. Musso suggested getting the committee members together in an effort to move forward & work together in the future.

12. **PUBLIC WORKS**—Mr. Klinedinst reported:

- 2007 Ford pick up truck, chassis & plow received a \$7,100 bid on MuniBid. Mr. Klinedinst made a motion to accept the bid; Mr. Musso seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
- Horace Mann project specifications are being reviewed.
- The meeting with the School District went well; they are onboard with the project & we’re awaiting Mr. Craley’s agreement.
- Looking for a possible low-interest DCED loan to purchase a wheel loader. The old one would be put on MuniBid to offset some of the cost of a new one & the loan. More information/pricing is being gathered.
- 2020 road project—North Main (from Prospect Street to the square) & West Broadway (all through town). This will be a project with the State.
- Clean up from the tractor trailer accident (in the square) on Friday, January 11th was monitored to ensure nothing went into the storm drains, which it did not.

13. **PLANNING, ZONING & REDEVELOPMENT**—Mr. Horne reported:
- Appointment of Beth Nidam to Planning Commission for a 5-year term—Mrs. Barley made a motion to appoint Beth Nidam to the Planning Commission for a 5-year term; Mr. Klinedinst seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
 - Appointment of Joyce Seabolt to Planning Commission for a 5-year term—Mrs. Barley made a motion to appoint Joyce Seabolt to the Planning Commission for a 5-year term; Mr. Klinedinst seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
 - There is still a vacancy on the Planning Commission after the above two nominations. Members must be Borough residents.
 - An alternate for the Zoning Hearing Board is being sought. Members must be Borough residents.
 - January 21st—Planning Commission meeting @ 7p.m.—review of The Mill’s plan.
 - No Zoning Hearing will be held in February.
 - Redevelopment has worked on the following:
 - Commercial property Construction Code—similar to the Residential property code & has been distributed to Council for their review. Once approved by Council, it will be put in Ordinance form to be advertised.
 - 2019 holiday decorating contest—there will be 3 categories (traditional, modern & Griswald)—a way to get the community involved while sprucing up the town for the holidays. This will be advertised in the newsletter & the Borough magazine.
 - Blighted properties—gathering a list of properties. Lancaster Street factory is on the list; however, the property owner is fixing it up, per requirements given to him by Zoning Officer.
 - Electronics can still be dropped off at Silverback Services—this will be a reminder in the Borough magazine & newsletter too.
14. **ADMINISTRATION**—Mrs. Frutiger reported:
- Auditors have begun the 2018 Audit.
 - 2018 Per Capita Exoneration list—Mrs. Barley made a motion to approve the 796 exoneration; Mr. Musso seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
 - Pending lawsuit—regarding the condemnation, we’re still waiting on a decision from Judge Strong on the preliminary objections.
15. **COMMUNICATION**—there will be **NO** February Work Session Meeting. Regular Council Meeting will be held on February 11th @ 7p.m.
16. **Approval of bills**—Mrs. Frutiger made a motion to pay the bills; Mrs. Barley seconded. Of note, the final payment to Dave Lutz is in tonight’s bills. If this is not exempt from transfer tax, the Borough will want to deduct his portion of the transfer tax from the final payment. The amount on the check register for tonight may be less due to the transfer tax. Mrs. Frutiger withdrew her former motion and made a motion to pay all bills except the payment to Dave Lutz; Mrs. Barley seconded. All were in favor; motion carried. Mrs. Frutiger made a motion to pay Dave Lutz in the amount of \$7,227.23 but subject to a decrease due to the transfer tax; Mr. Klinedinst seconded. Motion carried, with Mrs. Barley abstaining.
17. **Adjournment**—Mrs. Barley made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 7:50p.m. Motion carried; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stacy Myers, Recording Secretary