

**Red Lion Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 11th, 2021**

Members present

Cindy Barley
Tina Frutiger
Muriel Slenker
Stephanie Weaver
Chris Minnich
Dennis Klinedinst
Tony Musso

Others present

Dan Shaw, Codes/Zoning
Mike Craley, Solicitor
Jeff Shue, Engineer
Mayor Walt Hughes
Stacy Myers, Recording Sec'y

Visitors

Samantha Craley
Katie Bulla
Bob Frutiger
John & Kim Farmer
Frank LittleBear Burke

John Brownlee
Scott Gingrich
John Krantz
Chad Ward
Carolina Sumner

Meredith Yakelis
Cari Ayala
Pastor Kuehl
Bethany Miller

1. The meeting was called to order @ 7:00p.m. Pastor Kathy Kuehl from St. James Lutheran Church offered a prayer, followed by the pledge to the flag.
2. Mr. Minnich made a motion to approve the September 13th, 2021 Meeting Minutes; Mr. Klinedinst seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
3. **Visitors & Public Comment**—no one to address Council
4. **Mayor Hughes' Remarks & Recommendations**—Each year, Mayor Hughes presents awards to those who contributed to our community with their talents, skills & citizenship. Usually, he also recognizes Red Lion High School seniors with the highest-grade point average in music, arts, sciences, etc., in addition to awarding the Hinkey Haines Award, but because of the pandemic, the Mayor had to forego the student awards this year. These individuals were recognized for their accomplishments:
 - **Visual Arts Award** is awarded to Carolina Sumner for her wonderful job on the Charles Street Bridge mural, completed this summer with the help of our younger community members. Ms. Sumner said it was a lot of fun creating the mural & working with the kids, who were a huge help!
 - **Business of the Year Award** is awarded to Lion Pharmacy's owner, Bethany Miller. Mrs. Miller said she's very appreciative of the recognition & that the work couldn't have been done without her wonderful team & staff.
 - **Volunteer of the Year Award** is awarded to Frank LittleBear Burke for his willingness to always rise to the occasion & need of the community whether it be helping with Rec programs, Breakfast with the Easter Bunny, Scouts, or the New Year's Eve celebration. Mr. Burke is very appreciative of the award & really enjoys working with the people of Red Lion.
 - **Performing Arts Award** is awarded to Dr. Cari Ayala. Dr. Ayala is a Performing Arts teacher at Red Lion High School & said it's wonderful to work in a community where the students are able to pursue their passion in the arts. She loves her job & appreciates this recognition.
 - **Music Award** this year is awarded to John Farmer who is recognized well beyond York County for his musical talent & teaching abilities whether it be on guitar, banjo, mandolin, or another stringed instrument. He appreciates this recognition very much.

Other Mayor business—The 1st Annual Lighted Tractor Parade is scheduled for Saturday, November 27th. Although this has been talked about & planned since May, the Mayor stated he

needs the official action from Borough Council because it will involve Fire Police requests, PennDOT approval/permitting, etc. This will be on the November Council Work Session agenda for action.

5. **Public Safety**—Ms. Weaver stated the Fire Company, EMA & Ambulance reports have all been distributed to Council.
6. **Solicitor's Report**—Mr. Craley reported:
 - He expressed that, during the Mayor's Award presentation, it was amazing to see all the parents attending tonight's meeting with their children. It shows what a great role model they are to their children which can be a rarity these days. Congratulations to the parents who were awarded tonight!
 - At Work Session, Council learned of Ed Pearson's actions regarding the grass triangle off Summit Lane. Mr. Craley filed Council's response to those actions on September 6th & hopes to have more information regarding this at the November meeting.
7. **Engineer's Report**—Jeff Shue reported:
 - At Work Session, he gave Council his full report of current items. He plans to meet with staff later this month to discuss road projects for 2022.
 - Mr. Klinedinst questioned the Splash Pad that is being poured by Restuccia. It's to be a 5" thick concrete pad with a 12" curb & he wants to ensure we're getting what we pay for. Mr. Craley said an inspector can be on site when the pad is poured.
8. **Parks & Recreation**—Mrs. Craley & Meredith Yakelis reported:
 - Field hockey ended tonight, 10/11. Next year, the teams will be part of the County league.
 - Cheer program—to date, 30 kids are registered.
 - EYC Basketball is being planned; however, there's no one on the EYC Board anymore. Red Lion members will serve so decisions can be made & the program can move forward. This is for middle & high-school students.
 - Halloween Parade—October 25th @ 7pm—to date, 27 participants are registered.
 - Breakfast with Santa—December 4th from 8:30-10:30am
 - Santa's Shanty will be open December 2nd, 3rd, 9th & 10th from 6-8pm in the Municipal Parking Lot, 33 W. Broadway.
 - New Year's Eve Celebration—Katie has scheduled 7 venues and made contact with bands & the disc jockey for the night.
 - Keys to the Community Building—to simplify the process of people using the building for various activities, the keys are being replaced with a code system (same as currently used at Nitchkey) where each person will get a code that will become active & expire at specific times related to that person's event. Meredith has called 3 places to get quotes for the system & the installation.
9. **Municipal Services**—Mr. Minnich reported:
 - October 13th—shut offs for delinquent bills
 - September was a wet month with 10.5" of rainfall
 - John Krantz was hired as the new Superintendent of the Red Lion Municipal Authority & started September 20th. Mr. Krantz was in attendance tonight & said he has operated water and/or wastewater treatment plants all his adult life. He & his family have made the move to Red Lion from Berks County & they really like the Red Lion area.
10. **Public Works**—Mr. Klinedinst reported:
 - The fence at the Splash Pad is getting broken from vandals. Cameras in the area have some of the vandals on video & through social media, a few have been identified. Mr. Klinedinst suggested putting the pavilion rental money into a fund to continue to repair/replace the fence. The fence material should be something more durable than what's currently there.

- 153 E. Broadway reported a tree limb is still laying in the sidewalk even after limb pick-up was conducted. Mr. Klinedinst believes the whole tree needs to come down. Mrs. Price is to research this.
 - Trees along Ivy Drive need trimmed to allow the leaf truck (& snowplows once snow comes) to pass underneath. This will be reported to Mrs. Price.
11. **Planning, Zoning & Economic Development**—Mrs. Slenker & Dan Shaw reported:
- No October Planning Commission Meeting
 - Tuesday, October 12th—Zoning Hearing @ 6pm—Pleasant View Church purchased by the Borough to be converted from a house of worship to a public building.
 - Property at Franklin & High Street was purchased at a tax sale & the new owners are making progress with the cleanup.
- Economic Development:**
- Holiday Decorating Contest—registrations to participate are due by December 1st. Judging to take place on December 16th.
 - Hometown Heroes Banner Project is finishing up. It was very successful & was well received by the community.
 - Spring Garden Tour is being planned for Spring 2022
12. **Administration**—Mrs. Frutiger reported:
- Budget Meeting—October 26th @ 6pm
 - The contract with Hamilton & Musser for a new accounting program, not to exceed \$1,750 is before Council for action. Mrs. Frutiger made a motion to approve the contract; Mrs. Barley seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
 - The new Ford Escape has been received.
13. **Communication**—nothing further
14. **Approval of bills**—Mrs. Barley made a motion to approve the bills; Mrs. Slenker seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.
15. **Adjournment**—With no further business before Council, Mrs. Barley made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 7:39pm. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Stacy Myers, Recording Secretary