

NEW ALBANY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

January 5, 2022

New Albany Borough Council held a regular bi-monthly meeting at the New Albany Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall on January 5, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Michelle Dunham. All present observed a moment of silence by the Pledge of Allegiance.

SWEARING IN OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Sheena Pettitt, Dave Manley, Allen Gregorio, and Logan Robinson presented their Certificates of Election. Mayor Dan Dunham administered the Oath of Office, swearing all 4 in for 4 year terms. Tax Collector Eileen Dunham was not present but will be sworn in by Mayor Dan Dunham privately.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Michelle Dunham, Dave Manley, Sheena Pettitt, Allen Gregorio, and Logan Robinson

ABSENT: None

OTHERS ATTENDING: Mayor Dan Dunham, Secretary/Treasurer David Hindman, Jeff McIntire, Laura McIntire, Warren Howeler, and Phil O'Dell.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Mayor Dan Dunham called for nominations for the office of Borough Council President. Michelle Dunham was nominated and there being no other nominations, Mayor Dan Dunham called for a vote which was unanimous for election.

Mayor Dan Dunham called for nominations for the office of Borough Council Vice President. Sheena Pettitt was nominated and there being no other nominations, Mayor Dan Dunham called for a vote which was unanimous for election.

Mayor Dan Dunham called for nominations for the office of Borough Council President Pro Tem. Dave Manley was nominated and there being no other nominations, Mayor Dan Dunham called for a vote which was unanimous for election.

APPOINTMENT OF VACANCY BOARD CHAIR: Council will ask Terry Turner to continue serving in this position.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December 15, 2021, meeting were unanimously approved as presented on a motion of Dave Manley, seconded by Sheena Pettitt.

TREASURER'S REPORT: David Hindman presented the bills to be paid to Council. Dave Manley made a motion to pay the bills presented, the motion was seconded by Sheena Pettitt, and it was approved unanimously on a roll call vote. The Treasurer's Report was presented.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES/ SUBDIVISIONS/APPOINTMENTS: David Hindman presented a resolution from Bradford County to appoint a representative to the Tax Collection Committee. Sheena Pettitt made a motion to approve the resolution appointing Sec/Treas. David Hindman as the Borough representative to the Committee. Allen Gregorio seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ITEMS TO ADDRESS:

SECRETARY/OFFICE: None

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT: He has been in the area.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: There are some upcoming classes that either Dan or Michelle will participate.

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE: Discussion of some road signs that need repaired.

HIGHWAY/STREETS: The first payment of \$73,451.28 has been made to the contractor and the second payment has been requested from PEMA. Dan noted that he got final approval to begin the engineering of the sidewalk repairs on Front St. for \$6,500 and Hunt Engineers have been given approval to start the work.

PARK:

SEWER: Dave Hindman had a generator company in to look at the generator at the sewer plant. They said as it is it is not capable of automatically starting when the power goes off. They gave two options for repairing it ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000. A suggestion was made to get a second opinion. The sewer lift pump at 56 Railroad Ave. has finally been repaired and is working properly. Allen Gregorio has looked at the hot water heater at the sewer plant and is looking for a new element. The dumpster at the sewer plant has not been emptied in over a month. Michelle will make some calls. Jeff said the tanks need pumped and he was directed to contact Crawford's directly. He also needs a new 50' extension which Dave Hindman said he would get.

WATER: We dug another dry hole in Jones Alley, and then were told the PRWA's man's equipment was not working correctly when he identified the leak location. Giving up until warmer weather.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The tractor is back at the sewer plant after being serviced.

NEW BUSINESS: David Hindman presented an Engineering Services Agreement for the 2022 calendar year. This agreement lists costs for their services should we need them. Michelle Dunham made a motion to sign the Agreement for 2022. Allen Gregorio seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

David L. Hindman, Secretary

Next Meeting: January 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.