



MINUTES

Rimersburg Borough Council Meeting

Date | time Oct. 07, 2024 | 7:00 p.m. | Meeting called by Regularly Scheduled

In Attendance

Council: Jonathan Best (J. B.), Roger Crick, Pamela Curry, ~~Mark Deeter~~, Karina Libecco, K. Scott Myers, Anita Otero, Tim Yeany/ Mayor

Also Present: Josh Walzak/ Leader Vindicator; Dan Burkett/ RBMA and SCPA; Will Gruver/ Youth Works Program; Jason Mckinney, Tanner McKinney, and Renee Wetzel/ members of the community

Call to Order

The Oct. 07, 2024 regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Scott Myers at 7:02 p.m. with all present standing for the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer led by Roger.

Persons to Be Heard

Frank was not present due to vacation. Council reviewed the 09/2024 water report including spreadsheet with monthly figures from 2020 – present.

Dan/ RBMA provided Authority business highlights, updates on projects, and rates increase items from East Brady.

Council reviewed the police report provided. Police were unable to attend.

Renee Wetzel was present on behalf of Union High School Student Council and requested permission to use Borough Streets for a Homecoming parade Wed., 10/09/2024. Participants will line up at 5:30 p.m. at the park and proceed up to Baker St. by 6:15 p.m. PENNDOT cleared the event for Rt. 68 provided is 15 minutes or less. Participants will not be on foot, will be on flatbeds with fire trucks. Mayor asked what traffic control is planned. Fire persons have said they can. Notice is late to provide police as schedule is already made, so fire personnel will likely be needed to direct traffic. General consensus was unanimously in favor of permitting this use.

Tanner McKinney requested Council sponsor him to race for motorcross. He has won his first two races, needs to replace some parts totaling roughly \$2,000.00. He would appreciate any amount toward this. Sponsors' names will be shown on social media, clothing, and/ or equipment. Council members were uncertain if this is an allowable expense, but will research the matter.

Approval of Minutes

09/16/2024 meeting minutes were read and approved by a motion from Anita, second by Pam, and a unanimous vote.

Financial

Roger made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Pam, and approved with a unanimous vote in favor.

Projects

EADS Group Engineer Report is attached to these minutes.

Committee Reports

Mayor: None

Public Safety & Police: None

Personnel Committee: None

Building Committee: Community Bldg. leaks status, contractor schedule is unknown at this time. Contractor is still involved in previous project. Mayor will check to see if can get an update.

Streets Committee: Streets Projects for application to Clarion County Liquid Fuels funds must be submitted by 11/08/2024 per announcement dated 10/20/2024. This item was not discussed.

Unfinished Business

322 Chestnut St emails 2024-07-15 to present, blighted property was up for Tax Upset Sale 09/16/2024. Previous property owners have 30 days to object to sale if sold at Tax Sale. Condemnation of property discussed with uncertainty as to how this can be accomplished and who can. Borough Office to contact State Rep., research more.

Keystone Collections letter regarding GH Harris delinquent per capita issue transferring records was received 2024-09-16 informing Council of GH Harris records deletion without back up. Keystone recommended legal action. Discussion of expense vs. gain. General consensus in favor of reporting GH Harris to state agency where applicable.

Regarding playground at Diamond Garden Apts., emails were sent 2024/09/26. No responses received to date. General consensus in favor of resending email with phone numbers to organize meeting date and time.

Contacted Tech Ready couple of months ago for timeline and cost if replacement of Boro. Office computer were needed with no response to date.

Correspondence

Several requested items received from East Brady except justification for allocation levels, restriction/ added rate. Email sent per RBMA 2024/10/07. Awaiting response.

New Business

Scott motion, Roger second, carried to add to agenda consideration of revising Personnel Policy to make all new employees have same length of time to first time vacation, PTO. **Karina motion to make first time vacation and personal time off available 1 year from date of hire on hire date anniversary for new employees instead of uneven calendar policy and keep annual renewal with calendar year, Anita second, carried. This keeps 5, 10 and 20 year vacation additions on date of hire anniversaries as well.**

Pam motion, Anita second to add to agenda consideration of changing Dec. 02, 2024 mtg. due to staff paid holiday. Discussion and general consensus reached in favor of moving Dec. 2024 Borough Council meeting to Dec. 16, 2024; keeping staff paid holiday although first day of buck has changed to Saturday; and ask employees whether would like to keep this holiday on Monday after Thanksgiving or exchange for another holiday moving forward.

2025 Budget work sessions schedule discussed. General consensus in favor of initial work session Wed., 10/16/2024 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Monday, Nov. 04, 2024 | 7:00 p.m., is the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Rimersburg Borough Council at the Rimersburg Borough Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m. by general consensus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana L. Solida
Borough Secretary