

Minutes of the Clark Borough meeting – March 12, 2024 6:00PM

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by council President Jim Carucci who led in the pledge to the flag on Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Doug Robbins, Clark Eberhart, Larry McKnight, Alesha Culp, Maryjo Harakal, Monica Simko and Solicitor Tara Rodrigues.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the February minutes as read. This motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with all present voting yes.

Jim Carucci read the Treasurer's Report for the month of February. Jim Carucci made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

Visitors:

Gregg Sanford and Chief Piccirillo

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

The DRAFT audit was presented to Council. After review, Clark Eberhart made a motion that going forward, Monica Simko is not sign checks based on the Auditors recommendation for checks and balances. One of the other 3 signers are to sign each month. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with all present voting yes.

Questions for the Solicitor: Clark Eberhart asked what else we can do to retrieve the delinquent sewer fees that are currently totaling over \$80k. Mrs. Rodrigues stated that she can take it to the Magistrates office, there will be fees. She advised to send the certified letters first and see if they pay. Mrs. Rodrigues is to look into the delinquent accounts and see if they have any other liens against the properties and reconvene with next steps.

Correspondence: Penn Power requested use of the back field to land a helicopter in early to mid-May. Council approved the use pending no conflicts with rentals. Gregg Sanford advised that the Fire Department would need to be notified.

Officials & Committees:

Clark Eberhart read the Sewer bills for the month of March. Larry McKnight made a motion to pay sewer bills as read. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and passed with all present voting yes.

Larry McKnight stated that it is time to start thinking about the summer help program. Council advised to add it to the April agenda.

Alesha Culp read the Fire Report for the month of January. Doug Robbins made a motion to accept the Fire report as read. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

Gregg Sanford stated that during the Reynolds VFW fire, they tried to use the water at the Marina, but the unit wasn't working properly so they immediately went to the new Penn Power water tank and it seemed to work good but they weren't sure where the new tank was getting its water fed from.

Gregg Sanford presented a new grant opportunity that is open year-round through the USDA. The building addition that we have been considering seems to fit into the requirements of the grant. Council to review.

Maryjo Harakal read the Police Report for the month of January. Doug Robbins made a motion to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded by Jim Carucci and passed with all present voting yes.

Alesha Culp updated council on the MCRPC meeting. They were originally going to update only the dates on the Comprehensive Plan. Now, they are going to proceed with a full update to focus on housing plans totaling approximately \$150k.

Doug Robbins presented an issue with the security system as he witnessed someone dumping a washer into the dumpsters. The South Plate reader only faces east and did not capture the license plate of the driver.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to purchase 2 cameras, one for the Social Hall to detect motion and one for the side of the salt shed facing the dumpsters in an amount up to \$200.00. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Larry McKnight – Yes and Alesha Culp – Yes.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to purchase 2 baby changing tables for the restrooms in an amount up to \$600.00. The motion was seconded by Jim Carucci and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Larry McKnight – Yes and Alesha Culp – Yes.

Jim Carucci made a motion to purchase a door sweep to eliminate grass and worms coming in from outside for the west facing glass door in an amount up to \$100.00. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Larry McKnight – Yes and Alesha Culp – Yes.

Doug Robbins stated that the molding for the garage bay doors fell off in two places and is to be fixed by our maintenance person.

Gregg Sanford stated that the grate, that is located in front of the middle bay door on the west side of the building, needs to be replaced due to crumbling concrete and a rusted out grate. Jim Carucci made a motion to fix the grate in an amount up to \$400.00. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci –

Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Larry McKnight – Yes and Alesha Culp – Yes.

Maryjo Harakal read a resignation letter submitted by Marlene Roch, effective 3/31/24. Jim Carucci made a motion to accept the resignation and post the open position for re-hire. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

Jim Carucci read the Payroll Distribution - General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of March. Jim Carucci made a motion to pay the bills as read. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and passed with all voting yes.

Jim Carucci made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all voting yes.



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Monica Sinko, Secretary/Treasurer

