Minutes of the Clark Borough meeting – December 10, 2024 6:00PM

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by council Vice President Doug Robbins who led in the pledge to the flag on Tuesday December 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Clark Eberhart, James Carucci, Joe Simko, Alesha Culp, Jason Engstrom, Maryjo Harakal, Attorney Rodrigues and Monica Simko.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the November minutes as read. This motion was seconded by Joe Simko and passed with all present voting yes.

Doug Robbins read the Treasurer's Report for the Month of November. Jim Carucci made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with all present voting yes.

Visitors:

Chief Piccirillo, Lisa Sanford, Taylor Johnson

Unfinished Business:

Taylor Johnson read his letter of interest for the upcoming vacancy on council and expressed his sincere interest in the community.

Maryjo Harakal read 2 additional letters of interest submitted by Victoria Miller and Carol Houck. The appointed candidate will be decided at the January 2025 meeting.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to adopt the 12.67 millage with 1.00 of that going to the CVFC. The motion was seconded by Alesha Culp and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Joe Simko – Yes, Alesha Culp – Yes and Jason Engstrom – Yes.

Doug Robbins made a motion to adopt and advertise the 2025 budget. The motion was seconded by Jim Carucci and passed with a roll call vote of Jim Carucci – Yes, Doug Robbins – Yes, Clark Eberhart – Yes, Joe Simko – Yes, Alesha Culp – Yes and Jason Engstrom – Yes.

Attorney Tara Rodrigues stated that Attorney Madden didn't find anything prohibitive in the new agreement submitted by Gary Hinkson. After review, council recommended further discussion is needed to provide specific dollar amounts for services. Joe Simko recommended that council seriously reviews the original agreements along with the updated draft agreement from Hermitage and to bring any grievances/additions to the January 2025 meeting.

Attorney Tara Rodrigues provided a solar ordinance for review. Alesha Culp advised that based on the MCRPC meetings, council needs to come up with what they want in the ordinance and to be specific.

New Business:

Joe Simko made a motion to set the 2025 meeting dates on the second Tuesday of each month as follows: JAN 14, FEB 11, MAR 11, APR 08, MAY 13, JUN 10, JUL 08, AUG 12, SEP 09, OCT 14, NOV 11, DEC 09; all to be held at 6:00pm. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

A stormwater/sewer committee meeting is set for Thursday December 19, 2024 at 3:30pm. Clark Eberhart, Doug Robbins, Joe Simko and Monica Simko to attend.

Correspondence and other Communications:

Attorney Tara Rodrigues advised council to make sure that Genesis Roofing company knows that Clark Borough wants proof in writing of their Insurance claim and contact information.

Monica Simko read an email regarding the status on the LSA grants advising that our award date is 10/22/2024 but we will not physically receive the funds until the contract is executed.

An email from Sandee Winslow states that the resolutions for two grants for a building addition and salt truck have been submitted.

Officials & Committees:

Sewer:

Clark Eberhart read the Sewer bills for the month of December. Clark Eberhart made a motion to pay sewer bills as read. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

Council requested further totals on trade-in values before making a decision on which tractor to purchase.

Fire:

Joe Simko read the Fire Report for the Month of November. Joe Simko made a motion to accept the Fire report as read. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

Police:

Maryjo Harakal read the Police Report for the Month of November. Doug Robbins made a motion to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded by Jason Engstrom and passed with all present voting yes.

Payment of Bills:

Jim Carucci read the Payroll Distribution - General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of December. Jim Carucci made a motion to pay the bills as amended, adding two invoices that were received the day before the meeting in the total amount of \$7,146.25 for Police Services and COG dues. The motion was seconded by Doug Robbins and passed with all voting yes. Gregg Sanford had a complaint on the grant that was submitted by CW Engineering for the building addition, stating that the calculations were off causing the cost to be inflated drastically.

Lisa Sanford advised council that Santa will be coming around town on Sunday, December 22, 2024 starting at 2:00pm. Lisa also thanked council for their donation.

Joe Simko made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart.

Monica Simko, Secretary/Treasurer