

BOROUGH OF MORTON
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
MAY 8,2019

The borough public meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Council President Mario Cimino. The pledge of allegiance was recited and roll was called. The following was response: Mario Cimino-present, Michele Miller-present, Michele Roberts-present, Natalie Young-present, Bernice Dickerson-present, John Miller-present, Robert McGrath-present, Mayor App-present. Also present, Solicitor Ewald, and Engineer Catania, Ronnette Neal-Tax collector.

Mr. Cimino announced an Executive session would be held immediately after the meeting to discuss personnel issue.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor announced the passing of David Montgomery, Phillies general manager. Mr. McGrath announced that we have a new camera person – Dina Lloyd. Michelle Miller- mentioned that a friend told her about Mr. Montgomery’s passing, people said he was wonderful.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – Michael Fiorentino-32 Providence Road – spoke of all the times he has been here to speak to council about Providence Road, and it now seems that council did respond. He also stated that he believed that the Public Facilities committee never met. The public asked for speed humps which are affordable, viable, and the public has signed petitions, which he read and presented to council.

Jason Angst – 20 Providence Road – Stated that just this week at 5:30 a.m. there was an accident. Ms. Miller stated the person gave the report that it was an animal that distracted her, it was not from speeding. He disputed that fact and said it was distracted driving in his opinion. Children are in danger.

Sandra Moss - 909 Providence Road-Springfield resident- responded that she heard the accident this morning and it was a horrible sound.

Kinrith Gingrow – 937 Providence Road-Springfield resident-has 3 kids, all different personalities, can’t let her kids out of her sight she sees what flies through the streets.

Robert Sals – 40 Providence road-Morton resident- there is a ‘clear and present danger’ on the street. He has not heard about speed humps and would like to see speed humps.

Paul Mosensen – 24 Providence Road- urged council to just “Fix the friggin thing”, all this has been word of mouth, and a matter of pride, those with little kids should be concerned.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Dickerson made a Motion to approve the minutes of April. Ms. Roberts seconded the Motion. All voiced approval. Motion carried.

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Neal read her Tax Collection report for the month of April. Beginning balance was \$895,272.68 The face collections for the month were \$632,995.95. Balance collectible at the end of the month were \$262,276.73. -less discounts were \$12,577.19. Total collected in over payments \$2704.74. Total cash collected \$623.123.50.

Sewer and Rubbish collections

Mr. Poole then read the Sewer and Rubbish report for the month for the month of April. These reports are also on file.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Mr. Miller read the police report for the month of April.

Fire Dept.

There was no representative from the fire department present, nor was a report handed in.

PUBLIC HEALTH, SANITATION & RECYCLING

Ms. Roberts gave the April recycling and Trash pick-up reports. B& L reported 10 pickups. Yard Waste pickup date is May 15,2 019.

LAW & ORDINANCE

Ms. Young made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 759, to amend Chapter1 part 3 of the code of the borough of Morton to dissolve the Morton Recreation Board. Ms. Dickerson seconded the Moiton. Roll Call: Mr. Cimino-yes, Ms. Miller-yes, Ms. Roberts-yes, Ms. Dickerson-yes, Ms. Young-yes, Mr. McGrath-yes, Mr. Miller-yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Morton Day Update: Mr. MGrath had no update at this time, but was planning to hold a meeting, however, Ryan Gilfillan -28 Walnut – is interested in the parade, or some kind of function on the 4th, as well as the possibility of helping with Morton Day. Mr. McGrath asked him to put a plan together for the June agenda.

PARK & RECREATION

Mayor App reported that the 5k run is up and running, so far we have between 75-100 runners. We do need volunteers to help makes this a success. Mayor App did thank Ryan Gilfillian for his willingness to help. Mayor App reported also that he would be holding a Park and recreation meeting on May 29th at 7:00 p.m.

Sycamore Woods

Mayor received an estimate on the 2 leaning trees in the woods. One for \$1500, one for \$1200, and the third for \$500 from Skyline Tree. Mayor recommended they go with Skyline tree. Ms. Miller stted she was in agreement with the \$500 offer.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Young stated she was working on a Borough Facebook

OPEN DISCUSSION

Michael Lee – 123 W Sylvan Avenue – notified everyone that May 21st is Election Day.

Michael Fiorentino – 32 Providence -commended council and thanked council for working on the Providence Road speed humps and traffic calming. He also questioned the bidding procedure, but Mr. Cimino stated that all was taken care of properly with the Motion.

Charles Lillicrapp-114 Locust Road – asked Ms. Roberts a question on the monthly payment amount for Rubbish. Ms. Roberts stated that is the contract monthly amount that we pay \$3606.67.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McGrath made a Motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Preston, Secretary