

**CLEARFIELD BOROUGH  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 15, 2020**

**CDBG PUBLIC HEARING.**

Lisa Kovalick brought the agenda for this meeting.

Borough has proposed a CDBG project for storm water improvements on Clearfield St. from Soult Ave. to Turnpike Ave. The old system has been used , there are roots now growing and the crews has spent many hours working on these. The residents have been getting water in basements. a quick study on 26 houses was done. The CDBG project: \$94,698 Storm water Improvements on Clearfield Street: \$20,787 Admin.

Lisa asks that there is a resolution to be approve this evening for the project.

Clearfield County board of Commissioners will submit the Clearfield Borough 2020 CDBG application to the PA Dept. of Community and Economic Development no later than October 28, 2020.

Les stated that the resolution needed approved, but asked about the cooperation agreement needing to be approved, and Lisa said yes. Les said they will be added under Planning and Community Development .

The resolution will be 07-2020. Les also added too that approving the cooperation agreement with the Clearfield County Commission is for the new set of monies for 2020 there are still a lot of pending projects out there, including the Tyler Ave., Turnpike, and Martin Street of the Orrs Run repair. That project is still out there. This is in conjunction with it. Lisa said that project has been approved by the State. This new one has not yet approved by the Commonwealth. Les said the West Side project is already being dealt with the engineers, which is Stiffler and McGraw. Lisa said there is to be a motion for the engineering. Which Stiffler and McGraw are already starting with the design. Les said there will be a motion under Planning to approve the engineering.

Lisa asked if there was any other questions or comments.

The CBDG meeting was adjourned.

Clearfield Borough Council met in regular session on Thursday, October 15, 2020, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Clearfield Borough Building. Lew Duttry called the meeting to order. Lew Duttry held a moment of silence, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lewis Duttry, Stephanie Errigo, Steve Harmic, Jim Kling, Mason Strouse

**ABSENT:** Scott Ortasic, Brande Plyler, Robbie Tubbs, Mayor Schell, Chief Vincent McGinnis, Fire Chief Justin Worley ,

**OTHERS PRESENT:**, Solicitor Chip Bell, ,Borough Operations Manager Leslie Stott, Code Officer Larry Mack, Borough Secretary Betsy Houser

**MEDIA:** Wendy Brion, Gant Daily and Jeff Corcino, The Progress

Lew Duttry called for a Motion seeking approval of the minutes of the September 17, 2020 Clearfield Borough Council Meeting. **MOTION** was made by Mason Strouse and seconded by Steve Harmic. **MOTION** Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Letters were received by the Joseph and Elizabeth Shaw Public Library. The letters are in your packet for you to read, Les said. They could not attend the meeting due to Covid 19.

**PUBLIC AUDIENCE**

**REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** A copy of the Fire Department's report is on file. Les said they were out last night. There is an advertisement for you to post if you would like to. The YMCA of Centre County is the agency who purchased our old rescue truck. She saw it , and it is super cool. It is wrapped. They have a program set up with USDA and Sysco. They are to have enough food boxes for 720 families. They would like to distribute it Oct. 24 from 10:00 to 12:00. The Police Dept. will assist as well as the Fire Dept. Any council member that can assist you are welcome to.

She also reminded that Nov. 1 is turn your clocks back, it is a good time to check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

**POLICE:** A copy of the Police Department's report is on file. Nate Curry said regarding the incident last night, the final report will be from the State Police. Our officers are well taken care of. The training they have had has been great. We are thinking of families. They did everything to secure the public. The outcome was what no one wanted. He did plead with the public to go to secure areas, we want to keep the public safe. Jim Kling commends everyone, the Police Dept., the Fire Dept. and the State Police . Nate agreed, and said everyone did the best they could despite the situation.

**STREET** Les said they have been out, picking up bags and piles. The leaf vac will be out. Next week is the West side area and DEP is up on South 5th and South 6th working on the project. It will assist in the drainage. We are thrilled to have them.

**MAYOR:**

**SOLICITOR:** A copy of the Solicitor's report is on file. He will answer any questions.

**BOROUGH OPERATIONS MANAGER:** A copy of the Borough Operations Manager report is on file. She had an addition. She wanted to add to the Planning Commission to reappoint Joan Shimmel. And October 31 is trick or treat, please keep light on for the ones who want to provide treats. She added the tree growing in Lower Witmer Park will be used as the Christmas tree this year. Carol tuner donated in honor of John Grissman, Christmas ornaments. Pictures were passed of these. These items will be placed in Lower Witmer Park to make it festive for the holiday season. The Boro crew has picked these up already. She is excited to have these. Steve Harmic asked if there will be a tree at the court house and she said no. Some time perhaps a smaller tree that can be tethered could be put up.

**ENGINEER**

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:** A copy of the code officer reports are on file. Has nothing to add. He said the Sheetz is moving along as is Continental Carbonics.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Steve Harmic to approve Free Parking for the Thanksgiving weekend compliments of CNB Bank. They will bag and unbag the meters for this event **MOTION** Carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**OPEN** Street Material Bids

Bucktail Excavators, Inc. received the bid on Limestone anti skid stone @\$18.38  
Centre Concrete Co. received the bid on 50 cy class already mixed concrete @\$128.50 and the 50 cy high early concrete at 136.00  
Hei-Way, LLC received the bid on stock pile patching @\$99.65 and high performance stock patch @\$99.65  
Woodland Equipment & Supply Co. received the bid on 2A Limestone @\$14.50

**MOTION** was made by Steve Harmic and seconded by Jim Kling to approve Street Material Bids as stated pending review. **MOTION** Carried.

**OPEN** Snow Removal Proposals

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Steve Harmic to approve Snow Removal . **MOTION** Carried.

Bids were received by Bowman Masonry, BoJO, LLC, and R. Taylor Contracting.

**PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

**MOTION** was made by Steve Harmic and seconded by Jim Kling to approve Resolution #072020 to approve Fiscal year 2020 CDBG Project . **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Mason Strouse to approve the cooperation agreement with Clearfield County Commissioners for the Fiscal year 2020. **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Mason Strouse and seconded by Stephanie Errigo to approve Stiffler McGraw for the engineers for the CDBG Project. **MOTION** Carried.

#### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**MOTION** was made by Mason Strouse and seconded by Steve Harmic to advertise for vacancies on Borough Boards and Authorities including the Clearfield Municipal Authority, Planning Commission, Shade Tree Commission, UCC Joint Board of Appeals, and the Zoning hearing Board . **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Steve Harmic to approve a permanent part time position for Officer John Lance since he has fulfilled his probation. **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Mason Strouse to approve the separation agreement with Matt Turner. **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Steve Harmic and seconded by Mason Strouse to approve to allow Borough Operations Manager to hire temporary part time street department employees as needed. **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Mason Strouse and seconded by Stephanie Errigo to reappoint Joan Shimmel to the Planning Commission. **MOTION** Carried.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**MOTION** was made by Mason Strouse and seconded by Stephanie Errigo to approve the bill list for payment . **MOTION** Carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Lew Duttry to approve resolution 06-2020 for the disposition of records. **MOTION** Carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** Jim Kling said late spring he had a resident spoke to him about flooding up on Hannah and Olive. He asked if any action has been taken. Les said they went up. They had a plan. that is when Covid started. And then we had the layoff. she will follow up on this.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Steve Harmic said there is a complaint on Williams St. , the area that is closed down. People knowing it is closed, they seem to be ignoring the stop sign at Locust. With kids on bikes it is a concern. Down off Pine St. it is signed one way, but they are going down the wrong way. People are moving the cones that were placed there, so they are going the whole way. Nate said on night shifts, they have been called the cones are knocked down. Nate asked if a bigger Jersey barrier could be put there. Les said that Roman's Excavating could be able to set up the jersey barriers there. Chip said it needs looked at.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED 6:55 pm

Submitted By: Betsy Houser, Borough Secretary/Administrative Assistant