

**KANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUGUST 12, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Kane Borough Council was called to order at 6:30 P. M. by President Tom Kase. The meeting was held at the Kane Volunteer Fire Department at 50 Poplar Street to abide by the social distancing guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Members were notified of the meeting on August 6, 2020.

ROLL CALL

Present: Brandon Schimp (Mayor), Tom Kase (President), Melanie Clabaugh (Vice President), Gary Schul, Cody Scalise, Scott Rudolph, Katie Johnson, Donald Payne (Secretary), Anthony Alfieri (Solicitor), Tim Holt (Fire Chief), Heath Boyer (Police Chief), Phil Lingenfelter (WWTP Foreman), Mick O'Rourke (Street Department Manager)

Excused: Linda Kerek, Jo Beth Brinkley (Recording Secretary)

VISITORS

Theresa Auriemmo (The Kane Republican), Frank Auriemmo, Corporal Bickle, Rev. Calvin Cook

STATEMENT OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Schul, seconded by Mr. Rudolph, to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2020 regular monthly meeting. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

LERTA Memo

Mr. Kase notified Council of the scheduled Public Hearing and Special Meeting both taking place on August 25, 2020 at 6:30 P. M. at the Borough building.

Memorandum of Understanding – County GIS Services

Corrections - this is a one year term from July 15, 2020 through July 15, 2021 and the second bullet point should note **borough** instead of township.

Mr. Payne suggested to Council that they approve and enter into this agreement with Sean McLaughlin, McKean County GIS Coordinator, for his services.

A motion was made by Mrs. Clabaugh, seconded by Mr. Rudolph, to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with the County. Motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Budget – Report submitted to Council

A motion was made by Mr. Schul, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to approve the Budget Report, as presented. Motion carried.

Tax Collector – Balance on duplicate - \$141,070.86

A motion was made by Mrs. Clabaugh, seconded by Mr. Rudolph, to approve the Tax Collector's Report, as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Check detail in the amount of \$43,137.81 was presented to Council for approval. A motion was made by Mrs. Clabaugh, seconded by Mr. Schul, to approve the Bills for Payment. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Office – Mr. Payne added to his report that he and Mr. Carl Swanson have been talking with ordinance violators prior to sending letters and issuing tickets in the hopes of having better luck correcting issues around town. The monuments, benches and flowers at Memorial Point were removed by Steve Dyne and the Street Department so the new construction can begin. Steger Masonry has begun work at the fire hall. Mr. Payne also noted that he has approached the local banks regarding donating bank owned properties to the borough. He is working with the IRS for a governmental informational letter.

Solicitor – Mr. Alfieri informed Council that he has been working with the Personnel and Labor Negotiations Committees this past month and will be working on the bond issue for the street sweeper in the coming month.

Police

Street Department Manager

Reports submitted

Fire Department

Assessment Permits

WWTP Foreman

Health Board – no report submitted

A motion was made by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Rudolph, to approve the Staff Reports as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Labor Negotiations Committee will began Contract Negotiations on ~~July 13th~~^{Aug 24} at 2 PM for the Non-Uniform employees. The next meeting is scheduled for July 24th at 1:30 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #A-1056 – Residential LERTA

Mr. Alfieri explained to Council the differences between this proposed ordinance and the resolution currently used for commercial and industrial properties. This ordinance would be to adopt residential LERTA within the borough limits. Once approved, notice will be sent to the School Board and County Commissioners. A motion was made by Mr. Schul, seconded by Mrs. Clabaugh, to approve the first reading of Ordinance #A-1056 – Residential LERTA. Motion carried.

Bid Tally for 432 Janeway Street

Mr. Kase stated that no bids were submitted for the July 31st, 2 PM bid opening. Mr. Payne added that further discussion of this will take place during Executive Session.

Kocjancic / Johnson subdivision

A motion was made by Mr. Schul, seconded by Mrs. Clabaugh, to approve the subdivision as proposed with the Borough of Kane deferring planning and permitting to Wetmore Township due to the location being outside the borough limits. Motion carried.

Easement estimate – RWF Excavating LLC

Mr. Kase explained that these estimates are for two sections based on the agreement with Headwaters Charitable Trust; the borough line to Clay St. and Clay St. to Biddle St. Ext. According to Mr. Kase, the pricing received is in-line with other work that has been completed along the trail for the trail group. Mr. Kase and Mr. Payne have been happy with the quality of work completed. A motion was made by Mr. Rudolph, seconded by Mr. Scalise, to engage RWF Excavating LLC for easement work required on the two sections. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Schimp reported to Council that she will be chairing the McKean County Advisory Board. This board will be keeping Congressman Glenn Thompson informed of problems and good things within the county. It is a mix of Democrats and Republicans, industry leaders, and local government officials.

STATEMENT OF CITIZENS

None

OTHER COMMENTS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:15 P. M.

REGULAR SESSION

Council re-entered Regular Session at 7:28 P. M.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Schul, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P. M.


Jo Beth Brinkley, Recording Secretary

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