

NEW ALBANY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
June 20, 2018

New Albany Borough Council held their monthly meeting at the New Albany Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall on June 20, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Michelle Dunham.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Michelle Dunham, Robert Manahan, Dave Manley, and Laura McIntire.

ABSENT: Carson Turner and Rodney Lee.

OTHERS ATTENDING:

Mayor Daniel Dunham, Secretary/Treasurer Rhonda McCarty, and Borough Maintenance Jeff McIntire.

PUBLIC: Donnie O'Connor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 16, 2018 Council meeting were previously reviewed by the Council members as they receive the minutes via email prior to the meeting. Robert Manahan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Laura McIntire seconded the motion. Vote: All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Approval to pay bills was presented to Council. Dave Manley made a motion to pay the bills. Robert Manahan seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all responded "yes", motion carried. Council Members reviewed the Treasurer's Report. The report was accepted by the President and it was placed on file for audit.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Donnie O'Connor was present contesting violations and citations that he has received from the Ordinance Enforcement Officer. Donnie feels these are unfair. Council agreed to discuss these with Ordinance Enforcement Officer Jim Canning. Michelle Dunham made a motion stating that if a re-inspection by Jim Canning shows improvement then Council will rescind the court appearance. Laura McIntire seconded the motion. Vote: All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ITEMS TO ADDRESS:

SECRETARY/OFFICE: Nothing

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT: Nothing

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Dale Hatch called Michelle to inform her about the tornado and flash flooding warnings that were issued during the recent storm.

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE: Drains need to be cleaned. Council discussed the need for an ordinance preventing residents from blowing grass in the streets that result in plugged drains.

HIGHWAY/STREETS: Dan Dunham reported that there was a pre-construction meeting for the 2014 CDBG Project (Fawcett Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation). If Hawbacker can get a bridge construction crew available, construction will begin on June 26, 2018.

Dan also stated that grants are going to be tougher to obtain. Project drawings will be required when applying for a grant.

Michelle Dunham made a motion to approve the payment of the following Stiffler McGraw invoice: Fawcett Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation Invoice #7, dated 06/06/18. These invoices will be paid by the Bradford County Grants Department; funding via the Community Development Block Grant. Laura McIntire seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all responded "yes", motion carried.

PARK: On July 21, 2018 the Friends of New Albany group will be holding a Family Fun Day. Michelle Dunham presented to Council the idea of the Borough giving away fire safety literature, bike safety equipment, car seats, and online safety brochures. These items are eligible to be paid for with Act 13 funds under category #3 Safety Education and #4 Parks and Recreation. The total cost of the items will be just under \$2,000.00. Michelle Dunham made the motion for the Borough to participate in the Family Fun Day with the safety promotion giveaways. Dave Manley seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all responded "yes", motion carried.

Council discussed hiring an electrician to upgrade some wiring at the Park concession stand and install new wiring to the gazebo. Michelle Dunham made a motion to hire an electrician to upgrade the existing wiring and install new wiring with an amount not to exceed \$6,500. Laura McIntire seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all responded "yes", motion carried.

SEWER: Jeff McIntire commented that he has not had any interaction with the new Sewer Plant operators. Michelle will contact the new operators and inform them that they need to contact Jeff and; also, contact Secretary/Treasurer Rhonda McCarty about subcontractor paperwork that needs to be submitted.

The sludge tank at the Sewer Plant needs to be pumped out.

WATER: Michelle is looking into getting some volunteer help to clean the drains at the water tower.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Appointment of Vacancy Board Chair- Dan Dunham confirmed that Connie Green has accepted this position. Council needs to vote on a resolution to appoint Connie. Tabled until next meeting.

Change customer invoice terms to 30 days overdue for shut off notice to be mailed. Tabled until next meeting.

Rental Properties Ordinance. Tabled until next meeting.

Per Capita & Occupational Ordinance. Tabled until next meeting.

Reducing Council from a 7 member to a 5 member board. Michelle has the required names on the petition and she will be dropping it off to Attorney Jonathan Foster on 6/21/18.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nothing

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rhonda McCarty, Secretary