

NEW ALBANY BOROUGH COUNCIL
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2019

New Albany Borough Council held their monthly meeting at the New Albany Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall on March 20, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by President Michelle Dunham.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Michelle Dunham, Robert Manahan, Dave Manley, and Carson Turner.

ABSENT: Rodney Lee.

OTHERS ATTENDING:

Mayor Dan Dunham, Secretary/Treasurer Rhonda McCarty, Sewer Plant Chief Operator Shane Walker, Borough Maintenance Jeff McIntire, and Laura McIntire.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the February 20, 2019 Council meeting were previously reviewed by the Council members as they receive the minutes via email prior to the meeting. No additions or corrections were noted. Michelle Dunham made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Robert Manahan seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Approval to pay bills was presented to Council. Robert Manahan made a motion to pay the bills. Dave Manley 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: There has been complaints about the mud on Main Street left by equipment owned by a company that is renting the Fire Company's vacant lot.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Approving the Park Ordinance to be advertised was tabled until the April 3rd meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/ITEMS TO ADDRESS:

SECRETARY/OFFICE: Steve Sumner, Gannon Insurance is requesting a loss run report. He will need this report before preparing a quote to present to the Borough.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT: Council discussed a Main Street property that needs to clean-up their junk, cars, etc. Ordinance Enforcement Officer Jim Canning and Michelle Dunham will be doing a "walk thru" the Borough soon.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Training meetings are bi-monthly.

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE: There is much work to be done! The Borough will be contacting the Bradford County Jail, once again, to request the assistance of the inmates.

HIGHWAY/STREETS: Nothing to report.

PARK: Michelle will be calling to request Senior Project Students and Community Service Workers to work at the Park this Summer.

SEWER: Shane reported that the Chaper 94 Report has been completed. The blower motor still needs to be wired. Shane assembled the new Rubbermaid shed that will house the sampler. Need a bigger skid for the shed. Still need a new basket. Daily housekeeping of equipment, etc. needs to improve.

WATER: There are meters that still need to be repaired.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Rental Properties- Tabled until next meeting

Per Capita & Occupational Assessment Taxes- Tabled until next meeting

Borough Well #2- Tabled until next meeting

Universal Ordinance Manual- Michelle will review this further.

Swear in Junior Council Members- Tabled until next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Dan Dunham is working with FEMA for reimbursement of the 2018 flooding. There will be no loans, only reimbursement.

Mayor Dunham is also working on applying for a grant to replace the Fawcett Avenue bridge and repair the Main Street bridge. Council passed a Designation Of Agent Resolution naming Amanda Boyer, Bradford County Grants Director as agent for the Borough to execute for and behalf of New Albany Borough for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. Carson Turner made a motion to approve Amanda Boyer as agent for the Borough. Robert Manahan seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

In regard to the bridge replacement/repairs the Borough will need to hire and pay for the construction and then apply for reimbursement from FEMA. Michelle Dunham made a motion to approve Mayor Dunham approaching banks for funding of engineering and constructions costs to replace to Fawcett Avenue bridge and repair the Main Street bridge. Dave Manley seconded the motion. Roll call vote: all responded "yes", motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rhonda McCarty, Secretary