

Borough of Beaver, PA
Council Meeting
August 9, 2016
Minutes

- A regular scheduled meeting of Beaver Borough Council was held in the Community Room and called to order on August 9, 2016 at 7:00PM by President, Michael Deelo.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Council Representatives in attendance: Alexander Andres, Dan Deceder, Michael Deelo, Ron Embaugh, Walter McDermott, James Perini, Alex Sebastian (7:00 – 8:55PM), Pat Sims, Sean Snowden. Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Tom Hamilton, Chief Dan Madgar, Solicitor John Petrush.
- Visitors in attendance (signed in): Mel Bundy, Dr. & Mrs. Robert Monit, Rich & Nicholette Montini, Judy Cashdollar, Betty Burk, Betty Sue Schaugency, Dan Woodske, Bill & Sue Cutri, Pauline Copeland, Dan & Bernadette Parsons, Dick & Ruth Russell, Pennie Johnson, Charles Casbourne, Peggy & Dick Shaw, Denise Shaw, Beverly Lodovico, Tom Lodovico, Cheryl Formoso, Beth & Pete Kelley, Larry & Carolyn Renninger, Pat Poland, Jesse Pattison, Lissa & Jim Weyand, Chuck Copeland, Dennis & Linda Knott, Paula Johnston, Lorraine & Wally Beattie, Ben Seveses, Keith Collins, Mike Kelley, Midge Sefton, Arlene Tarn, John Tarn, Frank D'Amico, Frank Ross, Marilyn O'Data, Samson Covatch, Rick & Debbie Wilson, Nancy Oliver, Ken Weyand, Charles Snitger, Kristen & Craig Stawzak, Jesse Arrington, Charles O'Data, Nancy & Al Ragazzini, Maria Krzeczowski, Marilu Hill, Arthur Cornell, Kevin & Bonnie O'Neill, Mary Ulizio, Jodee Kirchner, John Biondi, Eric Daw, Gordon Sheffer, Rich & Nancy Wertz, Adrienne Wooley, Marilyn Stahl, Linda Dioguardi, Denise Yates, Gisela Reichel, Jane & Bill Elliott, Cheryl Duplaga, Beth Spence, John Gaydos, Angela Span, Ed Hancock, Jason Foster, Cynthia & Robert Renfro, Ed Shanahan, Shirley Pow, Tommi Wagner, Jim Jenkin, Jimmy Jenkins, Jeremy Jenkins Sue Bechdel, Lyn Nace, Jane Luckey, Jack Bechdel, Adrienne Johnson, Jamie Laughlin, Jim Christiana, Daniel Frye, Judy Anders, Carrie Rowe, Patricia Neely, Rev. Carl Neely, Tom Loxley, Greg Szazlac, Toni Wells, Margaret McKean, Patricia Erzen, Carmie Felice, Linda Helms, Jim Woolley, Biagio Pagani, Aidan McKean, Rick Sprecker

Public Participation – Regarding the motion “Resolution relating to Establishment of Brewery Outlet”

- Cynthia Renfro, 243 Navigation Street/Ben Seveses, 341 Park Street/Adrienne Wooley, 1100 5th Street/Lorraine Beattie, 231 Dravo Avenue/Betty Burke, 888 4th Street/Bill Elliott, 1008 2nd Street/Keith Collins, 341 Park Street/Beth Kelley, 2nd Street/John Tarn, 300 6th Street, Unit 7/Dick Shaw, 1790 2nd Street/Denise Shaw, 1550 River Road/Pete Kelly, 1485 2nd Street/Lynn Nace, 499 Lincoln Avenue all expressed their concerns, comments and disapproval of allowing Beaver Brewing Co. selling their beer at Waffles INCaffeinated.
- Dan Woodske, 132 Schutte Drive, Beaver Falls/Eric Daw, 444 Market Street/Rich & Nicholette Montini, owners of Heirloom Restaurant/Jesse Pattison, 121 Tamaqui Village/Malcolm Frasier, Hopewell/Sam Sacovich, 4th Street/John Biondi, 800 5th Street all expressed their comments and approval of allowing Beaver Brewing Co. selling their beer at Waffles INCaffeinated.

Motion – Resolution relating to Establishment of Brewing Outlet

Motion by Mr. McDermott that Council approve the attached Resolution number 2016-04 relating to Establishment of Brewery Outlet. Seconded by Mr. Sebastian.

Discussion from council members:

- Mr. Deelo stated an official from the Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement visited the Borough last week and requested council vote promptly on a resolution to approve or disapprove sale of beer at Waffles INCaffeinated/Beaver Brewing. Mr. Deelo thinks it's unusual that a license was issued by the Liquor Control Board and then later requests a borough council vote.
- Mr. Andres stated he was disappointed in the clerical part of the resolution the quick involvement of council members to bring this to vote. Council has not had an opportunity to review or discuss. He suggests the resolution be taken to committee for further discussion among all council members.
- Mr. Andres made a motion to table the motion. That motion to table failed for lack of a second.
- Mr. Embaugh stated council was not questioned or participated in the wording of the resolution. However, Mr. Petrush was requested to research the situation at the last council meeting after council discussion.
- Mr. Perini stated the situation was discussed at the last council meeting as recorded in the minutes. Council requested guidance of the Solicitor which is now in the form of a resolution.
- Mr. Deelo clarified that a yes vote is to disapprove beer sales and a no vote is to approve beer sales.

Roll call vote: Mr. Embaugh – Yes, Mr. Perini – Yes, Mr. Sims – Yes, Mr. Deceder – Yes, Mr. Sebastian – Yes, Mr. Andres – No, Mr. McDermott – Yes, Mr. Snowden – Yes, Mr. Deelo – Yes. Motion passed 8-1.

Council recessed from 7:55PM – 8:10PM – called to order at 8:10PM

Approval of minutes

Motion by Mr. McDermott to accept the July 12, 2016 Council meeting minutes as corrected. Seconded by Mr. Snowden.

Approval of Motion on page 6 titled "Borough Municipal Authority terms" needs corrected to show 6-0 and not 6-1.

Voice vote passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- July 2016 end of month reports and balances reviewed.
- Reports will be filed for annual audit.

Review invoice and authorization to pay bills

Motion by Mr. Snowden to authorize and pay submitted invoices for the Borough. Seconded by Mr. Embaugh. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Public Participation –

- Judy Cashdollar, 899 7th Street – A man approached her requesting money on the corner of Beaver Street and Third Street. She informed the Chief of Police.
 - Chief Madgar advised residents to call 911 in order to give specific description and details.
- Linda Knott, 1230 2nd Street – Attended the last council meeting regarding pot holes in the alley by her home. Thanked Chief Madgar and the borough employees for repairing the alley as promised.
- Aidan Mckean, 265 Beaver Street – Questioned what the policy was for using the access road by Bridgewater residents with the new construction at Bridgewater Crossing the near future. Would the borough be changing or updating the policy.
 - Mr. Deelo stated the plan is to use as a mutual emergency access road.
 - Mr. Sebastian stated the traffic issue will need to be discussed with Mr. Better.
 - Chief Madgar stated he has left a message with Mr. Better regarding the future use.
- Tommi Wagner, 230 Beaver Street – Requesting a traffic study since traffic has increased on Beaver Street by 30% in the last 6 months. Drivers are avoiding main street by using the side streets. Also suggested a citizen committee to look at all issues town is going to face with the new Shell Plant.
 - Mr. Deelo stated the Planning Commission is already representing the borough regarding the Shell Plant.
 - Mr. Embaugh and Mr. Sebastian stated there are 2 dangerous intersections: 1) Beaver Street and Third Street; and, (2) Corporation Street and College Avenue.
- Keith Collins, 341 Park Street – Requesting council to look into rent control so current renters are not affected by rent increases once the Shell Plant opens.

Reports – Commissions

Council of Governments (COG) – Reported by Mr. Deceder
June 23, 2016 meeting minutes enclosed in council packet

Business District Authority – No meeting held in July

Civil Service Commission – No meeting held in July

Zoning Hearing Board – No meeting held in July

Planning Commission –

June 20, 2016 meeting minutes and July 18, 2016 draft meeting minutes enclosed in council packet

Tree Commission –

- June 27, 2016 meeting minutes enclosed in council packet
- Chief Madgar stated he met with several members of the Tree Commission to improve communication between the commission and borough.
- Mr. Colavincenzo stated he would like to advertise or send out an eblast for additional members to improve response time to residents.

Code Enforcement Officer Report – Reported by Mr. Sprecker
July 2016 report enclosed in council packet

Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) – No meeting in July

Council Committee Reports

Public Safety – Reported by Mr. Snowden
July 27, 2016 meeting minutes enclosed in council packet

Finance – Reported by Mr. Perini
July 20, 2016 meeting minutes distributed to council

Highway – No meeting in July

General Government – No meeting in July

Code Enforcement – Reported by Mr. Sebastian

- No meeting in July
- Scheduling a meeting with the Borough Manager and Code Enforcement Officers regarding the Rental Registration Program.

Recreation – Reported by Mr. Embaugh

- No meeting in August
- Requesting several garbage cans to be placed at the skateboard area

Water & Sewer – Reported by Mr. Sims

- July 20, 2016 meeting minutes enclosed in council packet
- Municipal Board can meet, however they cannot act without council approval until January 2018.
- Municipal Authority has been approached to see if we would handle sewage for Bridgewater.
 - Potential revenue
 - Uses our equipment more

Reports

Manager's Report – Reported by Chief Madgar

- Reviewed the July 2016 report enclosed in council packet
- Access Road – Dan Martone will be going out to bid for paving within the next 30 days
- Jefferson Trace – The pit is too small, will try to increase the size by October.
- Per the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) request, sending out an eblast to remind residents of certain ordinances regarding grass clippings, weeds and debris in the road which effect our water samples.

President's Report – Reported by Mr. Deelo

Pool – decision to continue as long as subsidizing is no more than \$50,000 a year. It is approaching break even and thanks everyone involved in the successful year.

Mayor Hamilton –

Thanked everyone involved in making the Annual Car Cruise a success

Police Chief Madgar –

Heroin epidemic – everyone needs to be vigilant in working together to report any suspicious activity

Fire Department – No report

Emergency Management Coordinator – No report

Borough Engineer and Water/Sewer Engineer –

June 2016 and July 2016 monthly reports enclosed in council packet

Solicitor Petrush –

- Reviewing the following:
 - Litigation – Code Enforcement at 418 Fair Avenue
 - Tax Exemption paperwork at 274 Wayne Street

Old Business

New Business

Motion –Rescind School Resource Officer motion of September 8, 2015

Motion by Mr. Snowden that Council rescind the motion/resolution of September 8m, 2015 in regards to the Beaver Area School District (BASD) assuming the full burden costs training, maintaining, equipping, and providing the School Resource Officer (SRO) and his vehicle while serving BASD. Seconded by Mr. McDermott. Roll call vote: Mr. Embaugh – No, Mr. Perini – No, Mr. Sims – Yes, Mr. Deceder – Yes, Mr. Andres – Yes, Mr. McDermott – Yes, Mr. Snowden – Yes, Mr. Deelo – Yes. Motion passed 6-2 (Absent - Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –School Resource Officer

Motion by Mr. Snowden that Council continues to provide the School Resource Officer (SRO) to the Beaver Area School District (BASD) for the 2016-2017 school year, upon condition that BASD is able to fund a minimum of \$30,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Andres. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –Implement the Municipal Water Meter Change-out Program

Motion by Mr. Sims that Council adopt the attached description at a cost not to exceed \$781,584 regarding the Municipal Water Meter Change-out Program. Seconded by Mr. Perini. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –Building a Salt Shed

Motion by Mr. Sims that Council approve building of a new salt shed. Chloride levels in the drinking water are elevated. After test and chemical analysis, it has been determined that road salt is the 95% likely source. Moving the salt shed should eliminate the issue. Seconded by Mr. McDermott. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –Municipal Authority files

Motion by Mr. Sims that Council authorize the scanning of Municipal Authority files, records and drawings. Cost not to exceed \$10,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Perini. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –Retainer fee for Dan Martone

Motion by Mr. Sims that Council authorize the change of the monthly retainer fee of Dan Martone, Zoning Officer, to \$400 effective August 10, 2016. Seconded by Mr. McDermott. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion –Pay rate for Rick Sprecker

Motion by Mr. Sims that Council authorize the change of the hourly pay for Rick Sprecker, Code Enforcement Officer, to \$25/hour effective August 10, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Snowden. Voice vote passed unanimously. (Absent – Mr. Sebastian)

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Snowden, Seconded by Mr. Perini. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 9:40PM

Submitted by Debbie Hindman