

Borough of Beaver, PA  
Work Session Meeting  
May 25, 2021  
Minutes

- A regular scheduled work session meeting of Beaver Borough Council was remotely via Zoom due to COVID-19 Pennsylvania distancing guidelines. Meeting was called to order on May 25, 2021 at 7:01PM by Council President, Sean Snowden.
- Council Representatives in attendance: Alexander Andres, Frank Bovalino, Michael Deelo, Chris King (7:02PM), Jim Perini, Adam Rathbun, Alex Sebastian, and Sean Snowden. Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Tom Hamilton, Chief Dan Madgar, and Borough Secretary Debbie Hindman. Absent: Margaret McKean.
- Public in attendance: Robert Snider, Roberta Good, and Whitney Conjeski.

**Public Participation** – None

## **Reports**

**President's Report** – Reported by Sean Snowden

- Reminder that the June Council Meeting will be held in the Community Room at the Borough Building.

**Manager's Report** – Reported by Chief Madgar

- Memorial Day Parade will be held May 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30AM. Streets will be shut down at 9:15AM.
- Clark Park
  - Effective January 1, 2021 three phone quotes are needed for any projects between \$11,500 - \$21,299.
  - Mr. Snowden – Suggested that this be discussed with the Borough Solicitor because it may be difficult to get three quotes, as it is a specialty project. Council has previously approved \$15,000 for this project.
  - Ms. King – An additional \$5,000 is being requested to approve for this project.
  - Mr. Madgar – Wants this project to be completed but will need to clarify with the Borough Solicitor that the procedure is done correctly. Will have a motion for the next Council Meeting.
  - Mayor Hamilton – Mr. Diogardi stated that his company was not able to take on the project, they do not specialize in the type of work needed.
  - Mr. Perini – Even though Mr. Diogardi was not able to take on the project, it should still count as a bid if documented.
- Pool Auction finished yesterday and some of the items are starting to be removed. Expected to make approximately \$15,000 after fees.
- East End Avenue Project
  - Mr. Kennedy and Solicitor Fedeles have looked into the project and both approved. A motion will be presented at the next Council Meeting.

- Reimbursement through PEMA was submitted on May 24, 2021 for COVID purchases. Reimbursement for \$10,557 was submitted. Thanked Ms. Hindman for working with PEMA and the time spent on the submission.

**Mayor Hamilton –**

- Encouraged members of Council and residents to visit the cemetery after the Memorial Day Parade to listen to a speaker brought in by the Heritage Foundation.

**Police Chief Madgar –**

- Camera system has benefitted the Police Department especially the past few weeks. Has resolved multiple issues that would have cost the department many hours of work.
- Discussed shortage of police officers.
- Body camera system delayed to get the newest model installed. Expected to be up and running in 2-3 weeks.

**Fire Department – No report**

**Emergency Management Coordinator – Reported by Mr. Perini**

- Dave Linkimer will be resigning as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

**Engineer – Reported by Mr. Madgar**

- Continuing to work with Columbia Gas. Finalized that Columbia Gas will reimburse the Borough 70-75% of paving needed.
- Catch-basins and ramps along 4<sup>th</sup> Street are being completed. Paving will start shortly after.
- Mayor Hamilton – Complimented Borough Engineer Dan Martone for working and negotiating with Columbia Gas.

**Council Committee Reports**

**Shaw Park/Pool – Reported by Mr. Andres**

- Contacted by Dave O’Leary, scheduled to have a meeting in the next few weeks to discuss the pool.
- Still receiving questions as to if the pool will be opening this summer, unsure how to make the message as clear as possible that the pool is not able to be opened.
  - Ms. King – Asked that something formal/closed sign be posted at the pool.
  - Ms. Hindman – A post will be made on the front page of the Borough website also.

**Finance – Reported by Mr. Madgar**

- Forward any financial questions or requests to Mr. Kennedy to have ready for the next Council Meeting.
- There are no current concerns with the budget.
- Mr. Perini – Discussions of the 2022 budget will begin within the next few months.

**Highway** – Reported by Mr. Bovalino

- Asked what ticketing will be enforced during paving.
  - Mr. Madgar – Police will be understanding/lenient around areas being paved.

**General Government** – Reported by Mr. Deelo

- Gave update regarding Carnegie Mellon’s air monitors. With coordination with the Municipal Authority, monitors will be re-installed at Sassafras Lane and River Road this week. Regular reports on potential contaminants will be received.
- Mr. Madgar – Was contacted by Sony Pictures last week, as they are considering different locations in Beaver County. They are interested in a location over the river bank near the train tracks. Will be contacting the Municipal Authority to discuss this.
- Mr. Andres – Suggested that new elected Council Members attend the LGA Newly Elected Officials course.

**Recreation** –

- Clark Park – discussed during Manager’s Report.

Adjourned at 7:43PM

Submitted by Rebecca Phillips