

Borough of Beaver, PA  
Work Session Meeting  
September 28, 2021  
Minutes

- A regular scheduled work session meeting of Beaver Borough Council was held in the Community Room and called to order on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 7:00PM by Council President, Sean Snowden.
- Council Representatives in attendance: Alexander Andres, Frank Bovalino, Michael Deelo (7:00PM – 8:30PM), Margaret McKean, Jim Perini, Alex Sebastian (7:09PM – 7:43PM), and Sean Snowden. Borough officials in attendance: Mayor Tom Hamilton, Borough Manager and Chief of Police Dan Madgar, Borough Secretary Debbie Hindman, and Finance Manager Andy Kennedy. Absent: Chris King and Adam Rathbun.
- Public in attendance (signed in): Jim Woolley, Bob Snider, and Rick Sprecker.

**Public Participation** – None

## **Reports**

**President's Report** – None

**Manager/Secretary Report** – Reported by Mr. Madgar

- Planning Commission would like to confirm if Council would like them to work on making recommendations for the ordinances on recreational vehicles, trailers and boats on residential property and tiny houses.
  - Suggested Council submit questions and/or suggestions to the Planning Commission so they can be addressed before the recommendations are brought to Council to review.
  - Council Members in attendance agreed that the Planning Commission move forward.
- Tennis lessons administered by Riley Baker
  - The Borough has been reimbursing Mr. Baker's materials (approximately \$1,000) to provide the lessons for residents for about 20 years now.
  - Believes that the tennis lessons are an asset to the town but is concerned if others come to the Borough asking to do the same thing/something similar.
  - Mr. Deelo – This came to Council's attention years ago with the same concerns but was ultimately agreed to continue the lessons as a benefit to the community.
  - Ms. McKean – Mr. Baker is continuing a legacy of Mr. Paul Jones who used to teach tennis lessons.
  - Mr. Madgar – Agrees that this is a great program to provide to the community but wanted to make Council aware.
  - Mr. Deelo – If any others want to provide lessons, it can be brought to Council and decided on a case-by-case basis.
- Submitted for the 902 Recycling Grant for new Recycling Facility in the amount of \$124,000. The split on this grant is 90/10 split.

- Residents will need to apply for a permit and will receive a key fob to access the recycling area. The key fob can then be renewed each year. Residents will not be able to share their key fob with anyone outside of their household. Anyone who violates these terms will be fined and access to the area will be revoked.
  - This will resolve issues that many residents are seeing on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> street near the recycling area.
- Upcoming motions
  - Suggesting a motion that states there must be at least one Council Member on the Municipal Authority Board to continue healthy communication between the Municipal Authority and Council.
    - Mr. Deelo – Agrees that a member of Council should be on the Municipal Authority Board but suggests it be a policy, as Council can appoint anyone to the Municipal Authority Board. Also stated that it should be taken into consideration that Municipal Authority terms run for five years and Council terms run for four.
    - Mr. Madgar – Will pass this along to the Borough Solicitor to see what his suggestions are.
    - Mayor Hamilton – Could consider designating a member of Council to be the liaison between the Municipal Authority and Borough Council instead of a voting board member.
    - Mr. Madgar – Can discuss further at the next Work Session.
  - Invoice for 2,000 recycling containers in the amount of \$28,000. The Borough will be reimbursed for this expense when the Recycling Grant is closed.
  - Invoice for Bobcat equipment including a hydraulic breaker, hose kit, mounting cap/frame in the amount of \$10,036.08.
  - Two police vehicles in the amount of \$68,720. This was put in the 2022 budget but needs to be ordered now – will not receive until approximately March 2022 and out on the road after equipment is installed around June 2022.
  - One highway vehicle (four-door truck, 2-wheel drive) in the amount of \$36,780.
  - Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor. Should have letter of intent to fill the position. This Solicitor has filled in for the ZHB before.
- Zoning Hearing Board will be held on October 7, 2021 regarding the placement of a front porch at 1055 4<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Clark Park
  - Concrete removed surrounding the monument. New concrete will be laid next week.
  - Landscaping will take place next spring. Landscaping planning/design will be done by Nancy Lonnett-Roman.
  - An article of the history of Clark Park will be put in the upcoming Beaver Life magazine.
  - Will be requesting a drawdown of funds donated by the Car Cruise and Garrison Day to Friends of Beaver Parks to pay for lighting at Clark Park.
    - Received \$4,980 donation from the Elton John Tribute Concert designated to Clark Park.
- Landscaping will be done along Buffalo Street by the cemetery next spring. The landscaping planning/design will be done by Nancy Lonnett-Roman.
- 2022 Liquid Fuels
  - Received notification that the Borough's estimated allocation for 2022 will be \$132,903.42.

- Leaf pickup is tentatively set to start the week of October 25<sup>th</sup> but may be adjusted due to weather.
- Veteran’s Day Parade will now be hosted in Beaver on November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Ms. McKean – Asked that the Borough website be updated to include if committee meetings are virtual or in person.

**Mayor Hamilton** – No report

**Police Chief Madgar** – No report

**Fire Department** – No report

**Emergency Management Coordinator** – No report

**Engineer – Reported by Mr. Madgar**

- Mr. Martone will be attending a preconstruction meeting regarding the paving next week.

### **Council Committee Reports**

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

- Received support papers from other municipalities.
- Met with Representative Kail to discuss who to approach for support and what grants to apply for.

**Public Safety/Code Enforcement** – No report

**Highway** –

- Discussed the need of replaced sidewalks in town. Unable to determine when and what sidewalks will need done with Columbia Gas’s frequently changing schedule.

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

- COG event with the Firefighter Association on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Recreation** – No report

**Finance** –

- 2022 Preliminary Budget
  - General discussion

Adjourned at 8:47 PM

Submitted by Rebecca Phillips