

## Mill Village Borough Minutes: Wednesday July 6, 2022

President Linda Falconer called the Mill Village Borough Council meeting for July 6, 2022 to order at 6:32 p.m.

Those also present were Council Members: Edward Falconer, Shawn McLaughlin, Ali Peters and Steve Yovich. Also, in attendance were Solicitor Tim Sennett and Secretary/Treasurer Catherine Wise. Guests: State Police Officer – Andrew Hacke, Tax Collector Wendy Campbell and her sister Gwen Campbell arrived at 6:49 p.m.

Edward Falconer motioned to accept the agenda, Steve Yovich seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Shawn McLaughlin motioned to pass the Consent Agenda including the Minutes from the Regular meeting – June 1, 2022 and the Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2022. Edward Falconer seconded motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **N.W. Saving Bank –June 30, 2022**

General Fund: \$ 13,371.47

State Fund: \$20,111.25

Capital Reserve: \$72,426.15

Tornado Siren Fund: \$290.00

Petty Cash: \$ 28.50

ARPA Funds: \$6,844.74

Dollar General Escrow: \$1,214.01

**Secretary Report:** Jeff Cooper from County Executive Brenton Davis's office called to state that there are grant funds for parks and a grant writer may be available to help with grants. A letter was sent to a resident concerning disturbing the peace. PennDOT sent a reply to inform the Borough Council that a response will be forthcoming concerning changing the speed limit on Route 6.

**Borough Maintenance:** Edward Falconer reported that he has been mowing yards, cleaning drains and picking up limbs from storms.

**Invited Guests:** State Police Officer Andrew Hacke spoke with the Mill Village Borough Council concerning speeding on North Main Street and Route 6 (Center Street). He stated that the new traffic speed signs aren't really enforceable, but they may help slow the traffic down. Council members offered places for Troopers to park, to monitor and slow down traffic.

### **New Business:**

Edward Falconer motioned to hire Drew Francisco to clean out the ditch for \$850.00, Steve Yovich seconded. All voted yes.

There was a complaint about chickens within Mill Village Boroughs. Chickens are only allowable in R-1 and R-2 Zones.

Ed presented the idea of hanging veteran military flags on poles along Route 6 (Center Street)

Ed will check on costs for flags and holders.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Ali Peters made a motion to pay payroll and monthly bills for June 30, 2022 seconded by Steve Yovich. All voted yes.

Ali Peters motioned to approve the painting of crosswalk lines for a cost not to exceed \$900.00, Edward Falconer seconded. All voted yes.

Solicitor Tim Sennet discussed the Fire Department Billing Ordinance with the Council members. He stated that the Ordinance presented by the Fire Department's Attorney is defective, it is not specific enough and it is not enforceable. Shawn McLaughlin stated that he would like a "No Pursuit" clause for

Mill Village Residents who presently pay a Fire Tax. Solicitor Tim Sennett responded by informing council that an ordinance cannot single out certain people. Council would like to request an audit of the taxes paid to the Fire Department in 2021 along with the insurance rejection letters that the Mill Village Volunteer Fire Department has received within the past few years. A public hearing to discuss the Billing Ordinance will be held at the Mill Village Fire department at 6:00 on August 3, 2022.

Discussion was held on the Mill Village Community Park. Council would like to erect a wall and a pavilion along with Park benches and lights. There will not be any bathrooms. The Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts may be contacted to help with the park.

Public Comment: Wendy & Gwen Campbell attended the meeting to discuss the loud music, Motorcycles on sidewalk at the bar and Loud Motorcycles. Motorcycle radios & 4-wheelers coming through town.

**General Comments from Council President:** No comment

**General Comments from Solicitor:** No Comment

**General Comments from Council:**

**Mayor Sam** – Absent

**Councilwoman Nye** – Absent

**Councilman Falconer** – No Comment

**Councilman Yovich**– stated that he is working on the Park Project.

**Councilman McLaughlin**– No comment

**Councilman Letzo Jr.** – Absent

**Councilwoman Peters** – **No Comment**

Ali Peters motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Steve Yovich seconded. All voted yes.

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on **August 3, 2022** at **6:30 p.m.**