

## Mill Village Borough Minutes: Wednesday November 1, 2023

President Linda Falconer called the Mill Village Borough Council meeting for November 1, 2023, to order at 6:30 p.m.

Those also present were Council Members: Edward Falconer, Steve Yovich, Kevin Babcock and Shawn McLaughlin. Also, in attendance were Resident Ed Bidwell, LeBoeuf Township Road Foreman Bill Phillips, along with Mayor Joe Sam and Secretary/Treasurer Catherine Wise.

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

Steve Yovich motioned to pass the Consent Agenda including the Minutes from the Regular meeting – October 4, 2023, and the Treasurer's Report for October 31, 2023. Shawn McLaughlin seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

### **N.W. Saving Bank –October 31, 2023**

General Fund: \$ 21,378.37

State Fund: \$ 7,781.30

Capital Reserve: \$ 51,975.94

Tornado Siren Fund: \$ 290.00

Petty Cash: \$ 28.50

ARPA Funds: \$26,135.15

**Secretary Report:** The Girl Scouts Nut & Candy Delivery is on Wednesday, November 8, 2023. A resident asked about the garbage piling up at the old Cheese Factory on North Main Street. A letter will be sent if it isn't Cleaned-Up within the next couple of days. The Tenants at the Old Cheese Factory requested that the Mill Village Borough Council call Mike Grill at CCI to inspect the Apartment for building code violations. The request will be sent to CCI. The Fire Department invoice will be sent to the Insurance Company.

**Borough Maintenance:** Edward Falconer has cleaned Drains. The Holes have been drilled for the Speed Signs. Picking Up Leaves in the next few weeks. The Truck will need inspected soon.

### **Public Comment:**

Resident Ed Bidwell was present to discuss the proposed tax increase and what the procedure is.

### **New Business:**

Ed Falconer motioned to sign the Resolution to apply for a LSA Grant, with costs up to \$500.00, for additional funds for the Mill Village Community Park Project. Steve Yovich seconded. All voted yes.

### **Unfinished Business:**

Steve Yovich made a motion to pay payroll and monthly bills for September 30, 2023, seconded by Kevin Babcock. All voted yes.

Discussion was held on the No Parking signs which were removed by Mr. Abercrombie. Shawn McLaughlin and/or Joe Sam will speak with Mr. Abercrombie to get the signs returned.

The Railroad responded and stated that they will not pay, to have the property mowed, but will spray weeds within the Railroad Right of Way with Weed Killer.

A response letter was received from the LeBoeuf Township Supervisor concerning Dutchtown Road. Shawn stated that there was a motion to purchase pipe and stone and that the Township would install the pipe. Shawn McLaughlin stated that must be rescinded or the project should proceed. Shawn McLaughlin stated that he wants it on the record that he fought to have the drainage pipe placed on Dutchtown Road. Road Foreman Bill Phillips was present to hear the response to the letter and talk about the current ditch.

After review of the 2024 Proposed Budget, Shawn McLaughlin motioned to advertise the Budget for review, Kevin Babcock seconded. All voted yes. The Budget will be passed at the December 6, 2023 meeting.

**General Comments from Council President:** Linda Falconer stated that the Township and Borough have had a good working relationship and would like it to continue.

**General Comments from Solicitor:** Absent

**General Comments from Council:**

**Mayor Sam** – No Comment

**Councilman Babcock** – asked why there are cars parked in the Community Park parking lot overnight. A letter will be sent asking them to remove them.

**Councilman Falconer** – stated that National Fuel will be wrapping up their pipe project by Friday, November 3, 2023.

**Councilman Yovich**– Stated that leaves were being burned in the woods. There is a burning ordinance that people must follow.

**Councilman Letzo Jr.** – Resigned

**Councilwoman Peters** – Absent

**Councilman McLaughlin** – would like to make sure that he is listed as the Emergency Management Coordinator at present time.

Steve Yovich motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Shawn McLaughlin seconded. All voted yes.

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on **Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.**