

**NEWVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
JUNE 5, 2018 AT 7:00PM**

The Newville Borough Council conducted a Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 in a duly advertised public session held at the Newville Borough Office, 4 West Street, Newville, Pennsylvania. The invocation was offered, followed by the pledge of allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Council President Russell Gould. On roll call, the following members were present: Joey Diehl, Clarence Fry, Dale Jumper, Robert Over and Russell Gould. Kristina Keebaugh was absent. Also present were Mayor Randy Finkey and Solicitor Marcus A. McKnight, III.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: At the May 29, 2018 regular monthly meeting, resident David Keebaugh requested that Council consider an amendment to the borough traffic ordinance to ban dual rear wheel vehicles from parking on Main Street. Mayor Finkey commented that if the parking restriction is considered, it should be limited to main thoroughfares only, and not alleys. Mr. Over questioned why the measure was being considered, in light of the motion passed at the previous meeting affirming the council would not amend the parking regulations of the borough until a traffic study has been completed. Mr. Gould stated that the residents of Main Street are aware of the motion. The request for the dual rear wheel ban was made by an East Main Street resident. Mr. Gould stated Council would not immediately enact the regulation. The Ordinance once prepared by Mr. McKnight will be referred to the Public Safety Committee for further study. A motion was made by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Fry to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare an amendment to the traffic ordinance to prohibit dual rear wheel vehicles from parking on certain streets of the borough, namely Main Street and High Street. All were in favor. Motion passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Dawn Thompson, a resident of West Main Street suggested that white lines should be painted on Main Street and High Street to better define and control parking on these streets. After discussion, the members felt that the defined spaces would create an additional enforcement problem for the police department. Maintaining the spaces will be an added cost to the borough. A motion was made by Mr. Over, seconded by Mrs. Diehl to decline the recommendation to mark the parking spaces on Main Street and High Street. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

Alpha Space Control of Chambersburg recently completed the re-painting of crosswalks at key intersections of the borough. The work was completed in the early morning hours, in an 8 hour time period. There was little impact on traffic. The company used a product called liquid thermo-plast. A survey indicates that the crosswalks on Broad Street, Big Spring Avenue, Chestnut Street, High Street, along with the speed timing lines could be completed at a cost of approximately \$5,000. The work is eligible for Highway Aid Funding. A motion was made by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Jumper to obtain a proposal from Alpha Space Control to complete the remainder of the crosswalk re-painting. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

The Public Works Department is in need of a maintenance worker to replace Mr. Strohm who has moved to the Authority. The position is seasonal, requiring 15-20 hours per week for

routine maintenance of facilities. A motion was made by Mr. Fry, seconded by Mr. Over to approve the hiring of Brian Bailey for the seasonal public works position at the rate of \$12.50 per hour. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes. The new employee will work through September 28, 2018.

It was reported that the transmission in the GMC Dump Truck must be replaced. The cost of a new transmission installed by Timothy Barrick, Inc. will be in the range of \$2,500 to \$3,000. Members discussed purchasing a newer model used truck. A motion was made by Mr. Over, seconded by Mrs. Diehl to authorize the Public Works Committee to examine a replacement vehicle, and to place a down-payment on the vehicle pending the purchase approval by borough council. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: The members discussed proposals received for health insurance. The renewal date is July 1, 2018. A motion was made by Mr. Fry, seconded by Mr. Jumper to approve the plan option provided by Highmark in the amount of \$80,651.00. All were in favor. The motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

The Newville Borough Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:12PM and returned to regular session at 8:47PM to discuss a personnel matter. Solicitor McKnight stated while there was discussion, no decisions were made in the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Mr. Fry, seconded by Mrs. Diehl to appoint Russell Gould to fill the unexpired term of Dylan Griffey on the Newville Borough Water and Sewer Authority. The motion was passed with four (4) affirmative votes, zero (0) negative votes and one (1) abstention by Mr. Gould.

A motion was made by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Over to appoint Jack Ericksen to fill the un-expired term of Russell Gould on the Newville Borough Planning Commission. Motion was passed with four (4) affirmative votes, zero (0) negative votes and one (1) abstention by Mr. Gould.

A motion was made by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Jumper to authorize Mayor Finkey to assist the Borough Council in the recruitment of a retired state police officer to fill a full time vacancy within the Newville Borough Police Department. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

A motion was made by Mr. Over, seconded by Mr. Fry that the applicant(s) for the police department position must follow normal hiring procedures and shall complete an employment application provided by the Borough Office. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Mrs. Diehl presented Council members with an outline of an event planned for Memorial Day Weekend 2019. The event is entitled the "Wheels for Warriors Car Show". Plans are to close Parsonage Street for the car show on Saturday evening, May 25, 2019 from 4:00PM to 7:00PM. Borough restaurants and the fire company will be invited to operate food stands. Mrs. Diehl would like the borough to sponsor a live band for the event, the proceeds of the event, funded primarily through car show registrations will be donated to the PA Wounded Warrior Foundation. A motion was made by Mr. Over, seconded by Mr. Jumper that the Borough of Newville will agree to sponsor this event. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

Mrs. Diehl discussed granting permission to local food vendors and non-profit organizations to set-up temporary food vendor stands at the Newville Trailhead facility. She noted the trailhead is utilized heavily during the summer months, especially Friday through Sunday. A motion was made by Mrs. Diehl, seconded by Mr. Over to allow food vendors to operate at the Newville Trailhead on the weekends, through the end of September, provided that the vendors register with the Borough in advance, and agree to be placed on an event calendar to avoid overlap. All were in favor. The motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to come before the Newville Borough Council the meeting was adjourned at 9:00PM on a motion of Mr. Over, seconded by Mr. Fry. All were in favor. Motion was passed with five (5) affirmative and zero (0) negative votes.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Newville Borough Council will be held on June 26, 2018 at 7:00PM in the Newville Borough Office, 4 West Street, Newville, Pennsylvania.

Minutes recorded by:



Fred A. Potzer, Borough Manager/Secretary