**City Council Meeting**

**February 21, 2022**

City Council met in person for a special session on Monday February 21, 2022, and streamed live over YouTube and Facebook, in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.  The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Joel Long who opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called and present were Council Members Douglas Byerly, Richard Conklin, Barbara Masorti, Steve Stevenson, Jeffrey Brinker, Richard Morris, and Mayor Joel Long..

Also, in attendance was City Manager Gregory Wilson, Director of Community Life Kasey Campbell, Director of Public Works Anthony Stopper, and Director of Licensing and Permits Cyndi Walker.

Guest in attendance was Laura Jameson, with the Lock Haven Express.

COUNCIL MINUTES

**On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, the minutes from the February 7, 2022 meeting were approved.**

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

Council considered a request from Sentimental Journey, Inc. for the use of the Piper Airport for their annual Fly-In event June 21-25, 2022. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

Council considered a request from the Durty Dabbers for the use of Zindel Park for their annual race on June 4-5, 2022. The Director of Public Works presented a letter from the Nature Conservancy advising against the use of the park by the Dabbers, and a letter from the City Authority stating that they were split on the decision to allow the Dabbers in the Watershed. Mr. Conklin state that he frequently hikes in the area that underwent significant damage as a result of the 2021 Durty Dabbers event, and he does not want to see further damage to the watershed. Mr. Stevenson stated that the event brings a lot of tourism to the area, and would like to give the organization another opportunity, but with the understanding that in the event of further damage they risk not being allowed future use of the property, and all damage must be repaired to the city’s standards. **Mr. Conklin made a motion to deny the use of the property, seconded by Mr. Morris, and failed by a vote of 1 to 6, with Mr. Byerly, Mr. Conklin, Ms. Masorti, Mr. Stevenson, Dr. Brinker and Mayor Long voting in opposition. On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried by a vote of 5 to 2, with Mr. Conklin and Mr. Morris voting in opposition, the request for use of Zindel Park for the Durty Dabbers Dual Sport Race was approved, pending the signing of a lease agreement.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING on the Consideration of Ord. No. 2022-02 the readoption of the Property Maintenance Code

The Code Enforcement Officer made a statement regarding the Property Maintenance Code and answered questions from Council regarding the changes to the code. The City Manager explained that the code now includes text from the Property Maintenance Code International, so that residents and property owners can reference the code for free, whereas previously they could not reference the code without purchasing the document.

Mr. Stevenson stated that he was satisfied with the final changes, but asked to see what the changes were, much like when changes are made to a House Bill. The Code Enforcement officer explained that was the purpose of the subcommittee that made the changes, and Mr. Stevenson thanked the committee for their work on the changes.

There were no comments by residents and property owners.

Council considered Ordinance No. 2022-02. **On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted.**

Council continued their discussion regarding 2022 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The City Manager distributed the Capitol Improvement Schedule for the next five years, and explained the projects and costs, and how projects are being funded. The City Manager presented three options to Council for their consideration regarding the City Hall Renovations. Council directed the City Manager and members of city staff to explore all three options, and gather costs and funding for each option.

NEW BUSINESS

Council considered Resolution No. 2022-07 to enter into a settlement agreement with Collegium Pharmaceutical in the amount of $6,000. **On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried unanimously, the resolution was passed.**

The City Manager presented Council with the final inspection by PUC of the SEDA-COG railroad crossing on E Walnut Street.

The City Manager presented Council with a notification from DCNR regarding timber sales near Ohl reservoir (Greene Township) watershed. The City Manager responded to DCNR with a letter stating there was not an issue from the city’s standpoint, but that the City Authority will also be contacting them regarding the area.

The Director of Public Works notified Council of paving in the city limits by PennDOT in 2022 and presented the areas and streets that will be paved.

The Director of Community Life notified Council and the public of the community meeting for input into the refurbishment of the Hoberman Park Skate Park March 15 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the YMCA in the Riverview Room.

OTHER MATTERS

The City Manager provided an update of city officials that is updated annually.

The City Manager notified Council of the renewal of the city’s membership to the Clinton County Economic Partnership.

Mayor Long announced that the Summer Concert Committee is finalizing their schedule and the bands should be announced at a council meeting soon.

Ms. Masorti praised Downtown Lock Haven, Inc. for the Sip and Shop event held on February 11 at Downtown Businesses.

ADJOURNMENT

**Upon motion by Mr. Morris, at 8:10 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.**

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