

City Council Meeting February 21, 2022

City Council met in person for regular session on Monday March 7, 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 City Planner Abigail Roberts. Guests in attendance was Jacque Miller, with the Leadership Clinton County, and Kira Rosamilia, manager of Downtown Lock Haven, Inc.

COUNCIL MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the minutes from the February 21, 2022 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Rosamilia made a request to Council to amend the original approval for the Farmer's Market at the E Main Parking Lot to adjust days and times to reflect the needs of the participating Farmers. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the request to move the Farmer's Market to Thursdays from 3:00-7:00 p.m. was approved.**

Ms. Rosamilia also requested to move the date of the final Pedestrian Mall weekend, to the preceding weekend, and while the motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Dr. Brinker, was carried unanimously. (NOTE: As this item was not on the posted agenda and does not have a de minimis effect on the city, under Act 25 of 2021 this vote will need to be officially taken at the Mar 27 regular meeting of City Council).

Council considered a request for the use of Zindel Park watershed area for the Run River 10K, organized by PA Trail Dogs. The Director of Community Life already received insurance and will also have a Special Activities Agreement signed by the organizer and the city. **On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Conklin, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

Council considered the use of the Floating Stage for a concert held by the Great Island Presbyterian Church on August 7th, 2022. The Director of Community Life will coordinate with the organizers for the use of electricity. **On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

Council considered the use of Zindel Park for a wedding on May 14, 2022. The Director of Community Life will work with the organizers to ensure all guidelines and regulations are followed. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

The City Planner presented to Council a project completed by City Intern Matthew Pernelli, Invest Lock Haven. This project was created to showcase the programs, incentives, and community that support various investments in the City of Lock Haven. The comprehensive document puts information about relevant programs in one place for current and prospective businesses to access. It also highlights the demographics of the city, area education, and different aspects of the community.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Director of Community Life presented Council with a video about the Lock Haven City App and encouraged residents to utilize the app to report issues to the city. The App was initially presented to Council in 2019, and the city hopes to have more users download the app.

Council considered the award of proposals for the lease of property in Greene Township. On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, Council awarded lease plots to James Harbach, John Esh, and Noah Hershberger, in a total amount of \$8,165.00 per year.

Council was notified of the award of 2021 CDBG funds in the amount of \$322,441.

Council was notified of Lock Haven University's 2022 donation to the city in the amount of \$2,715, to be used towards public safety.

The City Manager facilitated the continued discussion of the Capital Improvement Program. The City Manager gave an update regarding the American Rescue Plan fund, and provided Council with the most recent numbers, and Council will receive a complete rundown of funds and estimates at the March 21, 2022, meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Council considered Resolution No. 2022-08 to apply for DCED Gambling Proceeds funding for self-cleaning restrooms to serve the Central Business District. **On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, and carried unanimously, the resolution passed.**

Council considered Ordinance. No. 2022-03 amending Street Openings & Excavations to assign oversight to the Department of Public Works. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted.**

Council considered the approval of city staff to seek proposals for a solar power purchase agreement to benefit the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at the city's airport property. **On a**

motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the request to seek bids was approved.

Council considered a request to seek bids for WWTP sludge for the contract ending 4/30/22, and for City Hall cleaning services for the contract ending 4/30/22. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, the request to seek bids was approved.**

Council was notified of PennDOT traffic count locations in the city during 2022.

Council was notified of UPMC's renewal application for its Air Quality Permit.

OTHER MATTERS

The City Manager provided council with reports from the Authorities, Boards and Committees.

Mr. Stevenson provided an update on Downtown Lock Haven, Inc.

Mr. Byerly congratulated LHU Wrestling for winning the MAC Conference Title.

Mayor Long wished Central Mountain Basketball luck as they go on to their championship.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Morris, at 7:50 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

City