

**City Council Meeting
August 15, 2022**

City Council met in person for regular session on Monday August 15, 2022, and streamed live over YouTube and Facebook, in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice President Stevenson 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, and Richard Morris, with Mr. Byerly and Mr. Morris attending via Zoom Conference Call. Absent was Mayor Joel Long.

Also, in attendance was City Manager Gregory Wilson, City Planner and Development Coordinator Abigail Roberts, and the Director of Public Works Anthony Stopper.

Guests in attendance were Laura Jameson with the Lock Haven Express, and Kira Rosamilia, Downtown Lock Haven, Inc. Manager.

COUNCIL MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried unanimously, the minutes from the August 1, 2022 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT/CORRESPONDENCE

Council considered the following requests from Downtown Lock Haven, Inc.: the use of Canal Park from December 3- January 7 for the display of holiday inflatables, permission to paint traffic signal control cabinets in the Central Business District, permission to plant flowers in the circle at N Vesper St and Perry's Alley, closure of Sarah's Alley from E Main Street to Jordans Alley on November 26 for live reindeer, use of W Main St and other city streets for carriage rides on November 26, closure of Sarah's Alley from E Main Street to Jordans Alley in January 2023 for the installation of an ice skating rink by Downtown Lock Haven, Inc. The City Manager explained a resolution will need to be made at a later date for the sixth item after the event is finalized. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the requests were approved.**

Council considered Resolution No. 2022-35 for a welcome banner for Lock Haven University Students returning to the area. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the resolution was adopted.**

Council considered a request for the use of Piper-Harmon Playground for a birthday party. **On a motion made by Dr. Brinker, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the request was approved.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council considered the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-06 pledging to raise water rates if needed to meet the obligation of repaying the debt service on the PennVEST loan. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

Council considered the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-07 prohibiting tobacco and vapor use in city parks and on the levee. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, the ordinance was adopted on second reading.**

Council considered the award of the contract for Phase 1 of the Sunset Pines Stormwater Improvement project to HRI at the price of \$610,117.00. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Byerly, and carried unanimously, the bid was awarded to HRI.**

The City Manager provided an update to Council on the City/Filtration Authority/Suburban Water Authority cost-sharing agreement. Suburban Water Authority requested all water projects listed out in the agreement, and clarification that the city does not own the filtration plant.

Council considered the acceptance of legal representation for the PennVEST loan by Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC as bond counsel and Coploff, Ryan, and Welch as solicitor. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Morris, and carried unanimously, the request was accepted.**

NEW BUSINESS

Council considered the appointment of the voting delegate and alternate to the annual Summit of the Pennsylvania. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Ms. Masorti, and carried unanimously, Mr. Stevenson was appointed as voting delegate, with Mr. Conklin serving as the alternate.**

Council considered Resolution No. 2022-36 to apply for the DCED Façade Grant. The City Planner and Development Coordinator explained the program and answered questions from Council regarding the requirements and guidelines. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried unanimously, the resolution was adopted.**

Council considered Resolution No. 2022-37 to apply for \$500,000 toward the Public Safety Building. The City Manager and City Planner and Development Coordinator answered questions from Council regarding the project, and the use of funds. **On a motion made by Mr. Byerly, seconded by Dr. Brinker, and carried by a vote of four to two, with Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Morris voting in opposition, the resolution was adopted.**

Council considered the approval of a \$50,000 commercial loan to the Fallon House if approval is granted by the Commercial Loan Committee. The City Planner and Development Coordinator answered questions from Council regarding the loan. **On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Mr. Conklin, and carried unanimously, the loan was approved.**

OTHER MATTERS

The City Manager notified Council of an invitation to the 2nd Floor exhibit room at the Piper Museum on August 25 at 4:00 p.m.

Council was presented with the minutes of the Central Clinton County Water Filtration Authority.

Council was notified of the receipt of the second quarter Comcast franchise fee.

Mr. Conklin congratulated the Arts Council and Steve Getz for a successful LH Jams weekend.

Mr. Stevenson reminded Council of the Economic Partnership Time-Out on Thursday at Redmond's Complete Comfort, as well as the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Bald Eagle Valley Trails bridge.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mr. Morris, at 7:42 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.