

City Council Meeting May 6, 2024

City Council met in person for regular session on Monday May 6, 2024, and streamed live over YouTube and Facebook, in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Long who opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called and present were Council Members Heather Alexander, Tami Brannan, Richard Conklin, Barbara Masorti, Steve Stevenson, and Mayor Joel Long, with Ms. Brannan attending via Zoom Conference Call. Absent was Jeffrey Brinker.

Also in attendance was City Manager Greg Wilson, and Director of Community Life Kasey Campbell. Guests in attendance were Joshua Hudson, Cheyenne Karichner, Bill Stankiewicz, Bonnie Gradel, Brady Carnahan, Emily Wright of the Record, Micah Clausen, Dave Winkelman, and Matthew Taylor.

COUNCIL MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Masorti, seconded by Ms. Alexander, and carried unanimously, the minutes from the April 15, 2024 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

Brady Carnahan addressed Council and requested an update to the water leak in Castanea. The City Manager provided Council and Mr. Carnahan with an update that for the properties mentioned in Castanea, the city does not have an adjacent water main; however, the city's crew did listen on two adjoining streets and did not find any leaks. The city's crew did note a large discharge into the street from a property owner's sump pump which may be the culprit of the water on the other properties.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council considered the 2024 allocations to non-profits, that were presented during the November budget meetings. The City Manager answered questions regarding the request amounts and budget. **On a motion made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Conklin, and carried unanimously, the allocations were approved in the budgeted amount, with the removal of the amount designated for a dog officer for the SPCA making its total donation \$5,000.**

NEW BUSINESS

Council considered Resolution No. 2024-18 providing for the temporary closure of Sarahs Alley by Stella A's. **On a motion made by Mr. Conklin, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, and carried unanimously, the resolution was adopted.**

The City Manager provided Council with an update on new overtime rules, and how it will affect the 2025 budget.

The City Manager notified Council of findings of asbestos on pipes in the Second Avenue garage, while fixing a leak, and the removal of the asbestos. The City Manager also updated Council on electrical issues at the Water Treatment Plant, that were handled by employees.

OTHER MATTERS

Council was given information regarding the Ohl progress reports, draft minutes of the CCCWFA meeting of 4/24/24, and the response to Castanea Twp letter of Apr 4, 2024.

Council Member Masorti thanked Joann Bowes for attending the first Walk with A Council Member, and thanked Ms. Brannan and Dr. Brinker for attending, and encouraged residents to attend the next walk on May 18. Ms. Masorti thanked residents who took part in the spring clean-up day along Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Dr. Brinker, at 7:19 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.