

Finance & Administration Committee

A meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council Finance & Administration Committee was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Room at the Myerstown Community Center, Councilmember Eric L. Powell being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

Present were: Committee Chair Eric L. Powell, Committee Members Michael D. Behm and Jeffrey L. Thomas, Council President Bryan L. Rittle, and Manager Michael R. McKenna.

The Chair opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

There were no citizens' or visitors' in attendance for comment.

The committee discussed what reports they would like presented at each month's committee meeting. They agreed that they would like to see a copy of the updated revenue & expenditures statements from the general operating fund and wastewater treatment operating fund.

The committee discussed how council action items, resolutions, and ordinances may originate in committees.

The committee reviewed its areas of oversight.

The committee agreed that the Borough Manager should be the staff member assigned to this committee.

The committee reviewed the goals assigned to this committee and discussed agenda items for next month's meeting. The committee determined they would like to discuss pension, budget items, and

The committee reviewed the proposed budget calendar for FY2019 Budget planning.

Jeffrey L. Thomas moved and Michael D. Behm seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R. McKenna, MPA
Borough Manager/Secretary

Public Safety & Planning Committee

A meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council Public Safety and Planning Committee was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 3 at the Myerstown Community Center.

Present were: Committee Chairman Park W. Haverstick, II, Committee Members, Dana Reich, Ronald L. Ream, Mayor Gloria R. Ebling and Manager Michael R. McKenna.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

There were two (2) Visitors -Guests present.

Being the first Committee Meeting for 2018, there were no minutes for approval.

Park W. Haverstick, II provided an overview of the committee meeting.

Michael R. McKenna will be assigned to the Public Safety and Planning Committee.

Action Items:

There were no action items.

New Business:

A presentation was presented by the Pennsylvania Private Police. The company has been hired to provide security for the Sestercentennial Celebration Events.

References were provided. Keith Grebler, Robert Miller, and Harry Mearing gave an overview of what they do, how the State Police respond and how they would respond.

Park W. Haverstick, II explained the how the Borough police force was disbanded, and the option of regional police was unsuccessful due to no interest from other municipalities.

Park W Haverstick asked why they believe their company would be a good fit for the Borough. Robert Miller stated they would hire local personal. Mr. Miller questioned if they would be able to utilize space at the municipal center.

A private police force does have a limitation of powers. They must be appointed by the County Judge and officers must be sworn in. Mr. Miller stated they will have all the powers of a municipal police force.

Park W. Haverstick, II asked about hiring from a police academy. Keith Grebler explained the academy process. The personnel they hire, have already been through the academy.

Park W. Haverstick, II asked for a cost breakdown, number of officers, hourly rate, and supplies. Keith Grebler stated they would recommend three (3) officers per shift, but we determine our need.

Park W. Haverstick, II gave an example of the drug issues. Keith Grebler stated the State Police give a lot of those to the County Detectives.

Keith Grebler stated they would coordinate with any and all entities for the good of the Borough.

Dana Reich asked why they do this work. Keith Grebler explained he formed the police force to fill in the gaps where State Police cannot respond. Mr. Miller stated he has met with the Goodwill Fire Company and would like to meet with the Keystone Fire Company.

Michael R. McKenna will check into the regulations and requirements for this type of police force with the Borough Solicitor.

Michael R. McKenna informed the committee there has been a brief sit down with the North Lebanon Police Chief, and another meeting has been scheduled for August 29, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Michael R. McKenna reviewed the Council Meeting Due Dates.

The Chairman asked if there were any additional comments for the good of the committee. Seeing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa A. Brubaker,
Deputy Secretary

Parks & Recreation and Public Relations Committee

A meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council Parks, Recreation and Public Relations Committee was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room at the Myerstown Community Center.

Present were: Committee Chairman Jeffrey L. Thomas, Council President Bryan L. Rittle, Committee Members Park W. Haverstick, II, Dana Reich, Mayor Gloria R. Ebling, and Manager Michael R. McKenna.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Being the first Committee Meeting for 2018, there were no minutes for approval.

Michael R. McKenna provided an overview of the committees.

Michael R. McKenna will be assigned to the Parks, Recreation, and Public Relations Committee. During certain seasons, Deputy Secretary Lisa A. Brubaker and Development and Communications Steffan D. Bomberger may be in attendance.

Reports:

The committee requested a Profit and Loss Report be provided for the 2018 pool season.

Action Items:

There were no action items.

New Business:

Leaf and Yard Waste collection was discussed. It was asked if Jackson Township could be contacted to provide leaf collection services to the Borough, and if the Borough Public Works Department could pick up residents sticks and branches.

Michael R. McKenna reviewed the Council Meeting Due Dates.

Park W. Haverstick, II suggested upcoming events be listed on the Borough website.

Gloria R. Ebling inquired if the Christmas decorating contest was held in 2017. If it was not, could the contest be restarted.

Park W. Haverstick, II questioned if the Borough swimming pool could be renamed. The history of the swimming pool was discussed.

Benches have been placed in the park in the entrance to the swimming pool area. The benches were purchased in conjunction with funds donated by the Lions Club and the Borough.

After discussion, the committee asked that the placement for the benches be on the September meeting agenda.

The Chairman asked if there were any additional comments for the good of the committee. Seeing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Dana Reich moved and Park W. Haverstick, II seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

As transcribed by,
Lisa A. Brubaker, Deputy Secretary

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R. McKenna, MPA
Borough Manager/Secretary

Public Works & Utilities Committee

A meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council Public Works & Utilities Committee was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 3 the Myerstown Community Center, Councilmember Ronald L. Ream being in the chair.

Present were: Committee Chair Ronald L. Ream, Committee Members Eric L. Powell and Michael D. Behm, Mayor Gloria R. Ebling and Assistant Manager Barry A. Ludwig.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

The committee discussed what reports they would like presented at each month's committee meeting.

The committee discussed how council action items, resolutions, and ordinances may originate in committees.

The committee reviewed its areas of oversight.

The committee agreed that the Assistant Borough Manager and Parks & Recreation Supervisor should be the staff members assigned to this committee.

The committee reviewed the goals assigned to this committee and discussed agenda items for next month's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa A. Brubaker,
Deputy Secretary

Full Council Review

A meeting of the Myerstown Borough Council was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 8:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Myerstown Community Center, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

Present were: President Bryan L. Rittle, Vice-President Michael D. Behm, President Pro Tem Park W. Haverstick, II, Councilmembers Eric L. Powell, Ronald L. Ream, Jeffrey L. Thomas, and Dana Reich, Mayor Gloria R. Ebling, Assistant Manager Barry A. Ludwig, and Manager Michael R. McKenna.

The Chair opened the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

The chair of the Finance and Administration Committee gave a report on their meeting held at 6:30 p.m.

The chair of the Public Works & Utilities Committee gave a report on their meeting held at 6:30 p.m.

The chair of the Public Safety & Planning Committee gave a report on their meeting held at 7:30 p.m.

The chair of the Parks & Recreation and Public Relations Committee gave a report on their meeting held at 7:30 p.m.

Ronald L. Ream moved and Dana Reich seconded to approve the following road closures for the 250th Anniversary Block Party from 5:00 a.m. on September 29, 2018 to 12:00 a.m. on September 30, 2018:

- West Main Avenue from PA-501 to Railroad St
- East Main Avenue from Railroad Street to Broad Street
- North Railroad Street from Washington Avenue to Main Avenue

- South Railroad Street from Park Avenue to Main Avenue

Motion carried.

Park W. Haverstick, II moved and Ronald L. Ream seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R. McKenna, MPA
Borough Manager/Secretary