

Canonsburg Borough Council Voting Meeting

Monday, April 11, 2022

6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Chandler at 6:30 pm.

Moment of Silence called by Mr. Chandler.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Mr. Eric Chandler, President - Present

Mr. John Severine - Present

Mrs. Tina Bails - Present

Mr. Edward P. Yorke - Present

Mr. Richard Russo - Present

Mr. Harold Bowman - Present

Mr. Richard Bell - Present

Others Present: Borough Manager Denise Lesnock, Mayor David Rhome, Solicitor Joseph Dalfonso, Public Works Director Tom Lawrence, Police Chief Alex Coghill, Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer Melissa Graff

Absent: Engineer, Jeff Marcink.

GUESTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Donna Stutts, 24 Munnell St – I know there is a lot going on about the parking. First of all, I support it and I think everybody ought to pay. You come by those lots at night and they are full of people at the bars, they need to pay. My second thing is I am a handicapped person, and I can't get to very many places. I can't go to any of the activities downtown because there is no place to park where we can both walk to the activity. I'm asking the board before we start the new parking lot, to make some type of arrangement or whatever it is, a contract or whatever, to provide spaces just for handicapped people to attend the events, I, personally

would like to go see these things. My next question is, does South Central have a sink hole underneath of it?

Mr. Chandler – Not that I know of

Tom Lawrence – That’s a bad storm inlet and hope that the State of PA will fix it. We are responsible for the top so many inches, but that inlet is bad under there. I contacted them and we coned it off and put the barricades so that no one would step in it. The front of that inlet had concrete poured and it broke off.

Dennis Smiddle, 631 Highland – I have trouble accessing the Canonsburg Borough Website and the agenda and the minutes to be able to print them put on my own. Is there someone that manages the website that could possibly provide assistance? I always get a message “You can’t open up this site. There is no app associated”. You have to go to default programming.

Melissa Graff – Do you type in just canonsburgboro.com or do you type in www.canonsburgboro.com?

Dennis Smiddle – I pull up the website

Melissa Graff – Right. But if you just type canonsburgboro.com, it will not come up, you have to type www.canonsburgboro.com

Rich Russo – Are you talking about our website? I just typed Canonsburg on my phone, and it came up. You don’t need the www

Melissa Graff – sometimes you do. I know I tried it and sometimes you do.

Mr. Chandler – So, if you need an agenda printed out, the office can print one out for you. It could be something on your end, your device or something like that that isn’t allowing you to open that up

Female Speaker – I have the same problem as Mr. Smiddle, it goes to default, and you can't open it up and you don't know which settings to go to.

Mr. Chandler – sometimes whatever device you're using may not allow you to open it.

Female Speaker - I was looking at the motion to approve the re-advertising of the ordinance #1363 (fire inspection), where is that going to be advertised?

Mr. Chandler – It is going to be advertised in the observer-reporter

Female Speaker – On the front page?

Mr. Chandler – No

Joe Dalfonso – The legal ad section

Female Speaker – Could they make it bigger?

Joe Dalfonso – The borough has no control over how they put legal ads in, I'm sorry

Female Speaker – Unless you are looking for something, you can't find it.

Joe Dalfonso – Whenever you advertise a legal ad, it goes to the legal ad section, and that's every paper across the Commonwealth and there's nothing the borough can do to do that.

A.J. Williams, Chamber of Commerce – This week we are in the middle of a career week between Canon-Mac and Chartiers. We have 6 periods per day where we are sending members of the workforce, the chamber to the schools for a period to cover different topics. May 19, we have a lunch and learn at ARC Headquarters and the topic will be Technology in the Workplace. The farmer's market starts June 7th and that's at St. Pat's. It has grown again this year. As of March 20th, we had 15 vendors there were 20 pending applications waiting to be received. So, we are looking at between 20 and 30 vendors each week at the farmer's

market. It's between 3 and 7 on Wednesdays at St. Pat's. June 23, we are doing an after-hours mixer at J&D Cellars. June 25th will be the return of Alley Way Saturday, the last Saturday in June, July, and August. July 21 there is a pool party and then we end our summer with Oktoberfest. Switching hats now, for anyone that doesn't know the Saturday of Oktoberfest there will be a 5k that morning. It is the Tunnel to Towers 5k, it's a national organization where they come in and if a veteran or first responder needs something, they provide for that veteran and/or first responder. Last year it was held in Southpointe, and they had 400 runners and our goal this year is 1000 runners. Last year they raised \$1500.00, and our goal is \$100,000.00. The route is being mapped out right now by Harshman Assoc. so as soon as we have that we will get it to everybody. It has been coordinated with the mayor and the police department. The other goal is to have representation from every emergency service within the county, so we are now making this a county-wide event and trying to get support from everyone in the county. The last thing I have is the parking. The chamber has been in discussion, and we have talked to Lisa about this, but we are interested in partnering with the borough to purchase an x number of hours of parking per month. What we will do with that is and Lisa you can be confirm this, we can be given a code to enter into the kiosk and we will purchase the codes and then chamber members within downtown, that will be part of being a member of the chamber that we will allocate x number of hours of parking for the customer base. We can definitely talk about that more. Hopefully, it will take away some of the burden the businesses are feeling but won't take away from the parking revenue.

Mr. Russo – So, it sounds like an old school token system which wouldn't be for owners but for customers

A.J. Williams – Yes

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS:

As far as parking, we are going to we actually have a meeting tomorrow with the parking committee, just to talk parking hours, enforcement and all that stuff. After that, it will be brought back to be presented to council and see what council thinks about it and then we will go through the process of eventually having to vote on the new parking ordinance. Questions from council?

VOTING ITEMS:

1. Motion to approve the March 14, 2022, Meeting Minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council.

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve the March 14, 2022, Meeting Minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council. Seconded by Mr. Bowman.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

2. Motion to approve the March 14, 2022, Conditional Use Hearing Minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council.

Mr. Bowman made a motion to approve the March 14, 2022, Conditional Use Hearing Minutes of Canonsburg Borough Council. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

All in Favor. Motion carries.

3. Motion to approve all bills presented on the current warrant lists.

Mr. Bell made a motion to approve all bills presented on the current warrant lists. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

4. Motion to approve re-advertising amended Ordinance #1363 (Fire Inspection/Fire Safety).

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve re-advertising amended Ordinance #1363 (Fire Inspection/Fire Safety). Seconded by Mr. Bowman.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

5. Motion to award Contract #2021-07 (Lou Bell Dr. Parking Lot and Retaining Wall) to Quigley Development in their bid amount of \$1,019,384.00.

Mr. Bell made a motion to award Contract #2021-07 (Lou Bell Dr. Parking Lot and Retaining

Wall) to Quigley Development in their bid amount of \$1,019,384.00. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

Mr. Russo – Just to clarify Denise, that is the contractor’s award, it excludes engineering as we know, it excludes any contingencies?

Denise Lesnock – Correct

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

6. Motion to award Contract #2021-08 (Public Works Upgrades general/mechanical) to Spartan Construction Services in their bid amount of \$1,549,738.00.

Mr. Severine made a motion to award Contract #2021-08 (Public Works Upgrades general/mechanical) to Spartan Construction Services in their bid amount of \$1,549,738.00.

Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

7. Motion to accept Westmoreland Electric bid withdrawal from Contract #2021-09 Public Works Upgrades Electrical.

Mr. Bell made a motion to accept Westmoreland Electric bid withdrawal from Contract #2021-09 Public Works Upgrades Electrical. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

8. Motion to award Contract #2021-09 (Public Works Upgrades Electrical) to SE Shultz Electric in their bid amount of \$239,900.00.

Mr. Bell made a motion to award Contract #2021-09 (Public Works Upgrades Electrical) to SE Shultz Electric in their bid amount of \$239,900.00. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

Mrs. Bails – This does not include engineering or any overages because was definitely an overage after Westmoreland pulled out. We awarded it to Westmoreland because Spartan pulled out.

Denise Lesnock – We awarded it to Schultz because Westmoreland pulled out.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

9. Motion to approve Independent Enterprises final Pay Request No. 2 in the amount of \$16,496.12 for all work completed on Contract 2021-04.

Mrs. Bails made a motion to approve Independent Enterprises final Pay Request No. 2 in the amount of \$16,496.12 for all work completed on Contract 2021-04. Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

10. Motion to approve Merit Electrical Group Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of \$30,215.16 for all work completed to date on Contract 2021-05 (Ballfield Lights).

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Merit Electrical Group Pay Request No. 1 in the amount of \$30,215.16 for all work completed to date on Contract 2021-05. Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

11. Motion to accept KLH Engineers, Inc. Cavasina Drive Feasibility Proposal.

Mr. Russo made a motion to accept KLH Engineers, Inc. Cavasina Drive Feasibility Proposal.

Seconded by Mrs. Bails.

R.T. Bell – I wanted to bring this up to council tonight because we have been talking about this since last week and I even talked to the President about it. I think this needs to be tabled temporarily. I think we need to look into this. It definitely needs done down there something needs done down there and my one other thought was maybe we need to talk to all of the merchants down there and before we bring this up to them and tell them we are going to do it and see what their thoughts are. In past times, when they did work down there, the borough went down and talked to some of the merchants, and they decided it was a good idea and the put in some money. So, maybe they can help us with this project since it will be beneficial. I think if we tabled it temporarily and got a committee together and go down and talk to them and get the feeling before we do it.

Mr. Yorke – Ok there was a motion and a second so how are we going to handle that?

Joe Dalfonso – If that was a motion to table by Mr. Bell, that can be seconded then acted on.

Mr. Yorke – Alright I second it

Joe Dalfonso – Was that a motion to table?

R.T. Bell – Yes it was

Mr. Bell made a motion to table KLH Engineers, Inc. Cavasina Drive Feasibility Proposal.

Seconded by Mr. Yorke.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - No

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

6 Yes, 1 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

Mr. Russo – I think we need to withdraw the motion.

Joe Dalfonso – No. The motion to table is a superseding motion so once that motion is made, seconded, and voted on, the original motion essentially dies.

12. Motion to approve Resolution #06-2022 (2022 Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update).

Mr. Yorke made a motion to approve Resolution #06-2022 (2022 Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update). Seconded by Mr. Bell.

No questions on the motion.

Roll Call:

Mr. Bowman - Yes

Mr. Yorke - Yes

Mr. Russo - Yes

Mrs. Bails - Yes

Mr. Severine – Yes

Mr. Bell - Yes

Mr. Chandler - Yes

7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent. All in Favor. Motion carries.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Resolutions for Chartiers Creek Restoration and McBurney Road Flood Mitigation
2. Falconi Field Lease
3. Intersection at Greenside Ave and College St.
4. Grants (meeting on April 25th at 6:30)

5. ARPA Monies (Revenue Replacement/Capital Projects)

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mr. Bell to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Bails
All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Submitted by:

Melissa Graff