Borough of Alburtis

Meeting Minutes April 10, 2019

The April 10, 2019 meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President Ron DeIaco at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA.

Council members in attendance:

Ron DeIacoSteve HillKathleen RainesHector Vazquez

Sherryann Oels Stephen Kaufman Vanessa Taggart

Associates of Alburtis in attendance: Dave Knerr, Solicitor

Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager

Visitors in attendance: Gary DeRoner

MAYOR'S REPORT - No Report

<u>POLICE REPORT</u> – Hector Vazquez made a motion to accept the Police Report, Sherryann Oels 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2019</u> – Steve Hill made a motion to approve the Minutes of March 27, 2019, Kathleen Raines 2^{nd} and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>BILLS FOR PAYMENT – APRIL 10, 2019</u> – Vanessa Taggart made a motion to pay the bills of April 10, 2019, Hector Vazquez 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u> – Kathleen Raines made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Vanessa Taggart 2^{nd} and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>ENGINEER'S REPORT</u> – Steve Hill made a motion to accept the monthly Engineering Report, Stephen Kaufman 2^{nd} and a unanimous vote followed.

ADMINISTRATION

Public Comment - None

<u>Ordinance No. 556</u> – Vanessa Taggart made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 556, an Ordinance amending §12-204 of the Alburtis Codified Ordinances regarding "on call" duty for Maintenance Department employees of the Borough, including payment of \$100.00 for each week an employee is "on call". The motion was 2nd by Stephen Kaufman and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>Hills at Lockridge – Security Release No. 2</u> – Hector Vazquez made a motion to release \$216,402.50 to the Jaindl Land Company as per the letter from Ott Consulting dated March 29, 2019. The motion was 2nd by Vanessa Taggart and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>Main Street Lehigh Valley Chamber Grant</u> – Applications for this grant are due May 31, 2019. It is a 100% match grant and funds up to \$2,000 can be requested. The Borough holiday tree needs to be replaced and Sharon received a quote in the amount of \$1,800. Council agrees that the tree should be replaced and the balance of the request could be for more decorations for the poles and American Flag banners.

<u>PPL Electric – Community Roots</u> – Hector Vazquez would like to see the trees replaced on Main Street and Kathleen Raines noted that trees could be planted at the playground and the ball field. Sherryann Oels asked if we knew what type of trees they are. Sharon will look into this and bring it back to Council.

<u>Buckle Up PA Project</u> – This is something the Borough has done before and the chief would like to participate. Hector Vazquez made a motion to participate in the Buckle Up PA Project, Kathleen Raines 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

<u>County of Lehigh – Lehigh Valley Hazard Mitigation Plan</u> – Correspondence was received from the County thanking the Borough for participating in the update of the Lehigh Valley Hazard Mitigation Plan. The meetings were attended by Tracy Malinowski.

<u>Lehigh Valley Planning Commission – Build LV</u> – The monthly reports for January and February were reviewed with no comments.

<u>Lower Macungie Fire Department</u> – The quarterly report was reviewed. Fire Chief, Dave Nosal, asked Sharon to let Council know that the ETA for the new truck for Alburtis should be in May, not June as he had thought. They will bring the truck to a Council Meeting when complete.

<u>Macungie Ambulance Corps</u> – The monthly report was reviewed. The ambulance corps responded to six calls in the Borough in March.

<u>Hills at Lockridge Fence</u> – The person that adjusted the swale in their yard has removed the fence. The fence was required to protect the park and must be put back. Council would like Dave Kutzor to speak with the resident and if it is not corrected it would go to property maintenance.

<u>Flint Hill Road</u> – A couple was in prior to the meeting and asked about the lines being painted on Flint Hill Road. Council thought this was approved previously and asked that Maintenance take care of it.

<u>Greentree</u> – Sherryann Oels informed Council that she was contacted by Ron Beitler regarding the Greentree parking lot. There will be a Conditional Use Hearing for this. She will email Mr. Beitler to see what his concerns were.

<u>Tractor Trailers</u> – Sherryann Oels asked Council what can be done with the trucks. She has contacted Lower Macungie Township regarding more signage on Spring Creek Road. Her yard is being destroyed by the trucks making the left onto School Street. Many of the deep ruts are in the right of way. Council discussed a guardrail as one solution and boulders as another. Council asked Sharon to obtain a price from Saylor's for a boulder.

<u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> – An Executive Session was called at 7:41 p.m. for possible litigation and ended at 8:08 p.m. with no action taken.

A motion to adjourn at 7:41 p.m. was made by Vanessa Taggart, 2nd by Kathleen Raines and a unanimous vote followed. Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager.