

Borough of Alburtis

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2018

The March 14, 2018 meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President Ron DeIaco at 7:01 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA.

Council members in attendance:

Ron DeIaco

Steve Hill

Kathleen Raines

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

POLICE REPORT – No Questions. Council prefers the report in the simpler format received today.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2018 – Steve Hill made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 28, 2018, Stephen Kaufman 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT – MARCH 14, 2018 – Stephen Kaufman made a motion to pay the bills of March 14, 2018, Vanessa Taggart 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Stephen Kaufman made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Vanessa Taggart 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

ADMINISTRATION

Public Comments – None

Selective Insurance Safety Management – The Borough received a letter regarding the pavers at the back of the Church. This was noted when the boiler was being inspected. Sharon will check to see if this is something the Maintenance Department can handle.

Lehigh Valley Hazard Mitigation – Tracy has been attending the monthly meetings and Sharon attended an update at the Planning Commission. One addition to the plan is Opioids and similar drugs. The plan is being updated and should have municipal approval by October.

Penn Dot Connects – Sharon attended a meeting regarding Penn Dot Connects. Penn Dot is looking to strengthen their partnerships with communities by involving local governments at the beginning of the planning process.

Young Lungs at Play – Information was reviewed from the PA Dept. of Health and the Lung Association regarding a program protecting children from second hand smoke in recreation areas. Borough Council likes this idea but would prefer to extend the policy to all Borough properties and not just the recreation areas. Dave Knerr will prepare an Ordinance.

Macungie Ambulance Corps – The Macungie Ambulance Corps report was reviewed. There were 6 calls in the Borough last month.

Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund – Information regarding 25 years of Keystone Funding was reviewed.

Great American Cleanup of Pennsylvania – Information was received regarding the Great American Cleanup of Pennsylvania. The program runs from March 1 to May 31. Information will be posted to the Borough Facebook Page for groups that would like to participate.

Well #3 – There is an issue with Well #3. The board burned up and an electrician will be here tomorrow to make repairs. Other work will be necessary and we will need to obtain costs for them. There is no issue with the Borough's water other than pressure may be low.

Sewer Station – There was another issue at the sewer station and another mop head was found. Upgrades will be needed to the system.

AACC – Kathleen Raines questioned why the Rec Hall would be a place to go if power is out for a week or so. It is just on the list because it is a safe place. Generators could be hooked up and it would depend on what the disaster is. Sharon will check with EMA to see what the safe places are on the list. The local churches are on the list and the school. The school has a generator, but would not have heat.

Sink Hole on W. 2nd Street – Stephen Kaufman asked about a mini sink hole between two properties on W. 2nd Street. Donnie checked into it and there is a pipe that has been placed nearby, but is not attached. We are not sure if it is on our property and will check the maps to see if there is an easement there.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - An Executive Session was called at 7:32 for a legal issue and ended at 8:09.

A motion to adjourn at 8:09 was made by Steve Hill, 2nd by Kathleen Raines and a unanimous vote followed. Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager.