

Borough of Robesonia Council

Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2023

The regular advertised meeting of the Borough of Robesonia Council was held on Monday, August 7, 2023 at the Robesonia Borough Hall located at 75 S. Brooke Street Robesonia, PA. The following Council members attended:

Harvey W. Marshall, President - VIA Phone
Mark Spotts, Vice President - VIA Phone
Jamie Burrus
Dean Johnson
Michael Martin
Matthew Miller
Tracy Rice
Mayor Rodney Soliday

Staff: Solicitor Andrew George, Secretary/Treasurer Elizabeth Miller.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Harvey Marshall with the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes: A motion was made by Michael Martin to approve the minutes from the July 3, 2023 Council Meeting. Seconded by Dean Johnson. Motion carried.

Bills: A motion was made by Jamie Burrus to pay and ratify the bills from July 4, 2023 to August 7, 2023. Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.

Police Report

- Chief Matthew Hook highlighted and reviewed his July Police Report for the Council.

Citizens and Visitors: Sign in sheet is available upon request.

Solicitor's Report

- Pedestrian Signal Indications Upgrade Project: A motion was made by Tracy Rice to ratify the signing of documents signed by Council President, Harvey Marshall to approve the pedestrian signal indications upgrade project with PennDOT. Seconded by Dean Johnson. Motion carried.
- Furnace Hill II Improvements Agreement: A motion was made by Matthew Miller to approve the Land Subdivision/Land Development Improvements and Maintenance Agreement between Jack Keener, the Borough of Robesonia and Heidelberg Township. Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.
- Furnace Hill II Stormwater Facilities Agreement: A motion was made by Matthew Miller to approve the Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Agreement for Stormwater Management/Best Management Practices (SWM BMPS). Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.

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- Furnace Hill II Agreement with Heidelberg Township Regarding Services: A motion was made by Matthew Miller to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement regarding water, sewer, trash and roads located in Furnace Village II development. Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.
- Resolution No. 2023-5: A motion was made by Matthew Miller to approve Resolution No. 2023-5 which authorizes the Borough to enter into the intergovernmental cooperation agreement regarding water, sewer and trash service and maintains a portion of Smokering Drive located in Furnace Village II development. Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.

Engineer's Report

- The Council reviewed the monthly Inspector's and Engineer's Reports.

Planning Commission

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on August 16, 2023 if necessary.

Committee Reports

Finance Administration:

- Minutes for review.

Personnel:

- No report.

Streets/Highway/Building/Sewers Committee:

- Minutes for review.

Parks and Recreation:

- Minutes for review.
- Nelson Martin Painting Quote: A motion was made by Michael Martin to ratify and approve the quote from Nelson Martin Painting for \$3,500.00 to paint the fence around the tennis courts. Seconded by Matthew Miller. Motion carried.
- Tracy Rice provided an update on upcoming Parks & Recreation Board events.
- Car Show Update and Authorization for Expenditures: A discussion was had regarding the upcoming Borough Car Show which will be held on Sunday, September 3rd, 2023. After this discussion and verification from the Borough Solicitor, the Parks & Recreation Board was given approval to spend the necessary money for car show expenditures with money that has already been donated.

Library Board Liaison:

- Leah Ruth gave the Council an update on the library current events.

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Council Member Reports

- Mayor
 - Mayor Rodney Soliday gave an update on the Robesonia Municipal Authority.
- Marshall
 - Raise for Elizabeth Miller: A motion was made by Jamie Burrus to give Elizabeth Miller a \$4.00 raise. Seconded by Tracy Rice. Motion carried. Matthew Miller recused himself.
- Rice
 - Draft Robesonia Furnace Historic District MOU: After a discussion, the Council decided to table the matter at this time and will discuss the MOU at their September meeting once Solicitor Andrew George and Engineer Jenniver Van Dyke have reviewed.

Communications: The following Reports/Minutes were received.

- Womelsdorf-Robesonia Joint Water Authority Meeting Minutes & Treasurer's Report
- Western Berks Ambulance Report
- Robesonia-Wernersville-Womelsdorf Council of Governments Meeting Minutes

Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:31 PM by Dean Johnson. Seconded by Michael Martin. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Miller
Robesonia Borough, Secretary