

FAIRFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA
Borough of Fairfield
Minutes of the Borough Council General Meeting of
February 5, 2020

The Borough Council of Fairfield held a general meeting before committee meetings on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, in the Village Hall meeting room, 108 West Main Street, Fairfield, PA. In attendance were Council members Camille Cline, Phyllis Gilbert, Nate McNeill, Pasquale Pileggi, Patricia Smith, Dean Thomas, and Sally Thomas. Also present was Borough Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer, Darrin Catts of PA Municipal Code Alliance and Planning Commission member Carroll Smith. Present from the public was Emmitsburg News Journal reporter Richard Fulton.

At 9:04 AM Council President Patricia Smith called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Smith introduced Mr. Catts to Council and acknowledged receipt of a regulated rental inspection checklist which was provided to each Council member by Mr. Catts. At Mrs. Smith's invitation Mr. Catts provided an overview of UCC standards peculiar to short term rentals and addressed questions from Council. The full discussion is separately documented and will remain a component of the developmental file for the zoning ordinance amendment addressing short term rentals.

At approximately 9:56 AM Mrs. Thomas and Mr. McNeill left the meeting.

At approximately 10:30 AM Mr. Catts left the meeting.

General

After discussion it was agreed that dedication plaques for the trees donated to the Hamiltonban Community Park should read: Borough of Fairfield and Pippinfest

Updated committee and liaison rosters were provided to each council member. Mrs. Smith invited individuals to call her with any concerns.

Budget and Finance

- Upon a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mr. Thomas and carried by unanimous acclamation, Council authorized payment of Battersby Law's January services invoice in the amount of \$187.50.
- Mr. Thomas reiterated his report from the January 25 meeting concerning the needed construction of a bridge over the Hamiltonban Township Community Park retention pond/spillway to finish the walking path. Its funding has not been covered by a grant, and the total cost of materials is expected to be \$1,200.00. \$400 has been raised to date, and Mr. Thomas requested that Council consider pledging another \$500 or \$600 toward the cost. At Mrs. Gilbert's recommendation the Pippinfest Committee will be given an opportunity at their upcoming meeting on February 11 to consider their interest in contributing to the bridge construction project.
- By general consensus Council directed that uncollected taxes be submitted to J. P. Harris for collection as in previous years.

Correspondence – Council noted receipt of a booklet on 811 PA One-Call requirements.

Old Business

- Quotes will be requested for purchase and installation of a replacement rear entry door.
- The project to repair/refurbish bells is waiting for warmer weather.
- There was no update to the project to clean stormwater drain pipes.
- There was no new date set to continue photographing historic Minutes books.
- Council agreed to pay both municipal employees to provide labor support at the quarterly E-recycling events.
- In discussion of construction and installation of the trash container enclosure it was recommended that either Carroll Valley Borough or Gettysburg be contacted for assistance with digging the post holes. Mrs. Cline shared some details on an alternate method of securing posts with metal holders that are pounded into the ground.

Anything for the Good of the Borough

Mrs. Smith shared that she plans to attend the PSAB awards ceremony in Hershey on a Tuesday in June. Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Gilbert, and Mr. Pileggi indicated a similar interest. It was suggested that perhaps the remaining budgeted training funds be distributed among those interested in attending to offset some of the cost.

At approximately 10:52 AM Mr. Thomas left the meeting.

Next Meeting – The next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 25, 2020, at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment - Upon a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mr. Pileggi and carried by unanimous acclamation, the meeting adjourned at 10:54 AM.

Prepared from digital recording.

Susan E. Wagle, Secretary

Patricia T. Smith, Council President