

FAIRFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA
Borough of Fairfield
Minutes of the Borough Council General Meeting of
January 5, 2022 - 9:00 AM

The Borough Council of Fairfield held a general meeting on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, in the front room of the Village Hall, 108 West Main Street, Fairfield, Pennsylvania.

In attendance were councilors Camille Cline, Phyllis Gilbert, Patricia Smith, Dean Thomas, and Sally Thomas. Also present were Mayor Robert Stanley and Secretary Susan Wagle.

At 9:09 AM Council President Patricia Smith called the meeting to order and Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – There was no one present from the public.

General

On a motion by Mrs. Gilbert, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by roll call vote of 4-1 with Mr. Thomas dissenting because he hadn't read them, Council approved the minutes of the biennial reorganization meeting of January 3, 2022, as presented.

On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Gilbert and carried by roll call vote of 5-0, Council passed Resolution 01 of 2022 appointing Mrs. Smith as primary delegate to the Council of Governments and Mrs. Cline as the alternate delegate.

On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by roll call vote of 5-0, Council passed Resolution 02 of 2022 establishing the Order of Succession for FREMA.

On a motion by Mrs. Gilbert, seconded by Mrs. Cline and carried by roll call vote of 5-0, Council passed Resolution 03 of 2022 authorizing the appointment of a Deputy Tax Collector.

After some discussion it was agreed that additional information is needed in order to make an informed decision regarding whether or not an amendment to the Fees Schedule is needed. The Secretary will provide information at a later date.

By general consensus Council supported participating in bidding for line painting with Hamiltonban Township to include all crosswalk and potentially the community mailbox area.

On a motion by Mrs. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Cline and carried by roll call vote of 4-1 with Mrs. Gilbert dissenting, Council voted to discontinue membership in the Adams County Borough's Association.

After some discussion, by general consensus Council authorized use of the Borough's ACNB-issued credit card to assist the Fairfield Area Historical Society when purchases are needed.

Discussion of liaison and committee assignments was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

On a motion by Mrs. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. Thomas and carried by roll call vote of 5-0, Camille Cline was appointed as liaison with voting privileges to the Planning Commission and Sally Thomas was appointed as liaison with voting privileges to the Pippinfest Committee.

On a motion by Mrs. Thomas, seconded Mr. Thomas carried by roll call vote of 5-0, Council made the following appointments:

Adams County TCC

Delegate – Patricia T. Smith

1st Alternate - Susan Wagle

2nd Alternate- Robert Gordon, Hamiltonban Township

3rd Alternate – LuAnne Dille, Hamiltonban Township

York Adams Tax Bureau

Delegate – Patricia T. Smith

1st Alternate - Susan Wagle

2nd Alternate- Robert Gordon, Hamiltonban Township

Additional needed appointments will be made at a subsequent meeting.

Budget and Finance – Council heard that there was a Comcast telephone service rate increase effective December 20, 2021, which is expected to result in a net increase of \$164.00 for telephone services in 2022. There were no new invoices for approval.

Correspondence – There was no new correspondence to consider.

Old Business – Council heard that all members of the waste contract southwest group supported rejecting all bids received and re-advertising for new bids. The new advertising dates are January 7 and 14. Bid opening is scheduled for January 27 at 10:00 AM.

Anything for the Good of the Borough

Mayor Stanley shared that he and Mayor Ron Harris are attempting to work together to communicate with the right people in the postal service to try to improve mail delivery service in the area.

The Secretary reported that a January newsletter will be distributed with Municipal Authority bills and emailed to the current mailing list. The April newsletter will include recognition of Trish Rowe Realty's contribution of flags for lawn display and a welcome to all new residents of the Borough. Mrs. Gilbert suggested that the "Keep Me" document be mailed, as well. Mr. Thomas noted that new owners of homes in the Historic District should be provided a copy of the HARB Recommended Guidelines book.

Mr. Stanley observed that the new One-Way signs at North Spring and Main Streets seem to be very effective in keeping vehicles from entering North Spring Street from Main Street.

Next Meeting – The next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment – On a motion by Mrs. Thomas, seconded by Mrs. Gilbert and carried by unanimous acclamation, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 AM.

Susan E. Wagle, Secretary

Patricia T. Smith, Council President