### FAIRFIELD, PENNSYLVANIA

# Borough of Fairfield Minutes of the Borough Council General Meeting December 17, 2024 – 6:30 PM

The Borough Council of Fairfield held a general meeting on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, in the conference room of the Village Hall, 108 West Main Street, Fairfield, Pennsylvania. In attendance were councilors Dennis Bucher, Camille Cline, Phyllis Gilbert, Pat Pileggi, Nate McNeill, Patricia Smith and Sally Thomas; Mayor Robert Stanley; and Secretary Dianna Zimmerman. Chief Weikert of the Carroll Valley Borough Police Department was also present.

Council President Patricia Smith called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM, and Council recited The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes:** On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by roll call vote of 7-0, the minutes of the Council meeting of December 4, 2024, were approved as presented.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Fire Department Report – Council acknowledged receipt of the November Fire Company report.

**Police Department Report** – Council acknowledged receipt of the November Police report. Chief Weikert presented data from the radar speed sign that is currently in use at the west end of town. After some discussion, he affirmed that another radar speed sign would be beneficial to the Borough.

Chief Weikert left the meeting at 7:00 PM.

**Enactments** – On a motion by Mr. McNeill, seconded by Mr. Pileggi and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0, Council passed Resolution #07 of 2024 authorizing disposal of records generated in 2017-2021.

# **Budget & Finance -**

On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0, Council approved the PMCA invoice for November services.

On a motion by Mr. McNeill, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by a roll call vote of 6-1 with Mrs. Gilbert dissenting, Council authorized donation of the remaining ARPA funds to the Fairfield Fire Company (\$2,319.56) provided there is enough funding to purchase another radar speed sign.

**Correspondence** – There was no correspondence.

**Mayor's Report** – Mayor Stanley reported that he attended a veteran's luncheon at the Fairfield Amvets Post 172 in Gettysburg on December 7, 2024.

**Municipal Services Report** – Mrs. Smith reported that Mr. Wivell straightened the one-way sign behind the Mansion House, installed a new solar light bulb in the community mailbox lamp post and, with assistance from Mark Keller, brought the Christmas decorations into the Village Hall.

**Committee Reports** – There were no committee reports.

## **Liaison Reports**

Mrs. Thomas reported that the Community Relationships Team met for the first time on December 13. The FASD Superintendent and a representative from Liberty Mountain Resort were very excited with the team's brainstorming session. They will meet again in January 2025.

The Fairfield Area Historical Society had no meeting in December and will meet again in January 2025. They are looking for new members as well as new board members in the coming year.

The FREMA meeting for December was canceled. FREMA will meet again in February.

There was no HARB meeting or COA applications received in December.

Mr. Pileggi reported that the Joint Parks and Recreation Commission's community tree lighting event was held December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Hamiltonban Community Park with refreshments and music provided. It was very nice event and well attended.

Mrs. Smith shared that the Municipal Authority is finished with the engineering for the new lift station by the Snyder Farm. She and Mark Keller attended a meeting at DEP regarding the golf course development which may move forward provided federal monies are approved to fix the Carrolls Tract water lines. The Fairfield Municipal Authority has benefited from the new grant writer they hired with two grants approved, three pending and one in progress. Finally, she reported that a job offer was made to someone as an operator in training due to the retirement of Duke Martin at the end of 2024.

Mrs. Thomas reported that the Pippinfest Committee will meet again in January 2025 to start planning for next year's festival.

The Planning Commission had no meeting in December.

The Southwest Comprehensive Plan is awaiting further information.

#### **Unfinished Business**

The Borough office is awaiting survey login information for the Municipality Cybersecurity Risk Assessment Survey.

The Junkyard Ordinance will be advertised with the intent to adopt in January of 2025.

There was no new information to share regarding the Columbia Gas line replacement project.

Mrs. Wagle, Borough treasurer, is awaiting additional information on the treasurer's bond options before a decision can be made on which company to carry coverage.

**New Business** – On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Gilbert and carried by a roll call vote of 7-0, Council approved the reappointments of Sally Thomas to the HARB for a five-year term expiring 12/31/29, Robert Remaley to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term expiring 12/31/27, Kenneth Kuykendall to the Municipal Authority Board for a five-year term expiring 12/31/29, and the appointment of Dianna Zimmerman as the Borough Secretary for a one-year term beginning 01/01/25.

**Public Comment -** There was no public comment.

**Good of the Borough** – Mrs. Smith reported that there were 58 lighted homes judged in the holiday decorating contest on December 11. No decisions on winners have been made at this time.

**Next Meeting** – The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 9:00 AM.

**Adjournment** – On a motion by Mrs. Cline, seconded by Mrs. Thomas and carried by unanimous acclamation, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Dianna Zimmerman, Secretary	Patricia Smith, Council President