

CALL TO ORDER

President Chris Becker called the March 20, 2017, meeting of Macungie Borough Council to order at 7:30 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 21 Locust, Macungie, PA.

ATTENDANCE

Council Members:	Alma Akinjiola Chris Becker Greg Hutchison Roseann Schleicher John Yerman
Borough Manager:	Chris L. Boehm
Mayor:	Gary Cordner
Administrative Assistant:	Cynthia Hartzell
Jr. Council Member:	Renee Martin
Absent:	David Boyko Marvin Moyer Jr. Council Member Valeria Cordner

PUBLIC COMMENTS

a. Prior Public Comments to Council – No prior public comments

b. Public Comments

1. Chris Greb, Macungie Ambulance Corp, reviewed their 2016 Annual Report noting the total number of calls and the calls responding to in the Borough. Council expressed their appreciation for the services of the ambulance corp.

2. Matt Sutchy, Senator Pat Browne's Office, noted he was attending if there were any questions from Council or an audience member. He remarked on some topics at the state level.

3. Landon Garcia, of Boy Scout Troop 131, presented a project that he would like to do as his Eagle Scout project. He proposed to do some work on the Train Station in the Flower Park. He explained the work he would like to do. Council liked his presentation for his proposal. Borough Manager Boehm will be in touch with him about the project, which he has until August to complete.

4. Ralph Bartman, questioned when the Church Street traffic light will be installed. President Becker explained the Borough is working with PennDOT who continues to have comments on the project that causes changes to the plan. There was a plan revision within the last week and hopefully it will be approved. President Becker remarked that at this time the project would be done in late fall. Mr. Bartman suggested having a no left turn at Race Street

onto the railroad tracks, commenting about people pulling out from Race Street before the railroad gates are up.

Mr. Bartman commented about the stop signs at the bridge on Cotton Street. President Becker remarked the signs are needed since the pedestrians cross the creek on the bridge. He remarked Council is working to install a pedestrian bridge across Mountain Creek.

#### COUNCIL COMPLIMENTS, COMPLAINTS, PETITIONS AND APPEALS

- a. Council Member Schleicher and Akinjiola thanked Public Works for their work during the snow storm. President Becker noted Zoning Officer Nicholson helped Public Works with the street plowing. Council Member Hutchison commented to thank Public Works for their work and the fire department because they sacrificed their family time during the snow storm.
- b. Council Member Akinjiola remarked about a resident on Village Walk Drive that used a bobcat to remove snow, dumping the snow on other properties and at Brookfield Park. Borough Manager Boehm commented she was informed by Public Works that someone dumped snow on the sidewalk at Brookfield Park. Borough Manager Boehm will pass this information to Zoning Officer Nicholson.
- c. Council Member Hutchison commented about a vehicle that extends out on to Railroad Street behind his house and the people are driving on the park property creating a muddy mess. This will be passed to the Police Department to address.
- d. Council Member Akinjiola commented about the lights on Village Walk Drive being dull. Borough Manager Boehm will contact PPL to check it out.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. March 6, 2017 meeting – Council Member Hutchison made a motion to approve the March 6, 2017, Council minutes as presented, second by Council Member Schleicher. Motion carried: 5 ayes

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Council Member Yerman made a motion to approve the bills for payment totaling \$123,279.11, second by Council Member Akinjiola. Motion carried: 5 ayes

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Macungie Police Department February Monthly Report
- b. Waste Management, re: Extension of Current Refuse and Recycling Contract
- c. Municipal Retirement Trust January and February Monthly Reports

REPORTSa. Mayor

1. Mayor Corder reported the police department held a DUI training last week. It was a 3 day course held at the Macungie Ambulance Corp.

b. Borough Manager

1. Sanitary Sewer Ordinance Amendment – Borough Manager Boehm explained this ordinance is in preparation for the bills that will be sent out for the first quarter billing. The ordinance adds a description for EDU. She explained there are some properties that are only being charged for 1 EDU and paid for more or are using more capacity than what was purchased. She mentioned she is planning to inform the property owners of the situation.

Council Member Yerman made a motion to authorize the advertising of Ordinance 2017-02 for adoption, second by Council Member Schleicher. Motion carried: 5 ayes

c. Junior Council Members – Junior Council Member Martin verified the planning meeting for the Spring Fling Dance that she will be helping with.

d. Committees – Council Member Schleicher remarked about the Spring Fling Dance on March 31. Tickets are available.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – PART I – No Unfinished Business under Part IUNFINISHED BUSINESS – PART II

a. Main Street Streetscape Plan - President Becker had the last revised plans for the streetscape that were submitted to PennDOT. He will have them on display after the meeting.

b. SW Lehigh Comprehensive Plan – Council Member Schleicher will have a report at the next meeting.

c. Rental Inspection Program – The next meeting is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup>.

d. LTD Capital Projects

1. Church Street Traffic Light

e. Sewer Ordinance Amendment for sewer lateral inspections

f. Borough Safety and Loss Control Policy – Comments for 4/1 meeting

NEW BUSINESS

a. Acceptance of time extension for Main Street Commons Land Development and Lot Line Adjustment Plan until July 31, 2017 – Time extensions for Main Street Commons were received from Brian Gasda, Lehigh Engineering for the land development plan and lot line adjustment plan.

Council Member Schleicher made a motion to accept the time extensions for the Main Street Commons Land Development and Lot Line Adjustment Plan, second by Council Member Akinjiola. Motion carried: 5 ayes

b. Extension of Current Refuse and Recycling Contract until October 31, 2019 – Waste Management submitted a letter offering an extension to the current refuse and recycling contract for the two remaining years until October 2019 at the current rate. Council discussed the offer and requested Borough Manager Boehm to check what other municipalities are paying for the service.

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA - No other items for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business to be brought before Borough Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Hartzell  
Administrative Assistant