

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018
7:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Joseph A. Pompa.

PRESENT: A quorum was present including members of Council as follows: Joseph A. Pompa; Patrick Plummer; Sean Burke; Joyce Lowe; Mark Shawley, and Brady Leahey. Others in attendance: Borough Manager Jim Gehret; Borough Solicitor Nathan Karn, Borough Secretary Patricia J. Duron; Mayor Joseph R. Dodson; Chief Rodney B. Estep, Jr.; Main Street Manager Jordan Futrick; and Code Enforcement Officer Patrick Rabits. Councilman Jeffrey Ketner was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Pompa led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

MINUTES: The minutes dated August 9, 2018 were presented for approval. President Pompa made a correction to the attendance record. A motion was made by Mr. Plummer to approve the corrected minutes, and was seconded by Mr. Leahey. A vote was taken with the motion carrying in a unanimous vote of six votes in favor to zero votes against.

OATH OF OFFICE: Mayor Dodson administered the Oath of Office to recently promoted Sergeant Mark Lingafelt. Mayor Dodson then administered the Oath of Office to newly hired Patrolman Shea Stayer.

COMMENDATIONS: Chief Estep and Mayor Dodson presented letters of commendation and congratulated Patrolman Jeffrey Friday, Allen Fochler, and Mr. Dave Riggleman.

PROCLAMATION AND GOLD RIBBON DAY: Mayor Dodson made a Proclamation and declared Gold Ribbon Day in recognition of the Brian Morden Foundation and the fight against childhood cancer. The Allegheny Club presented a check to the foundation.

CONDITIONAL USE HEARING: Holliday Hills, a Limited Partnership, had submitted a Conditional Use Application for the property identified as 151 Holliday Hills Drive. 151 Holliday Hills Drive is located in the Planned Residential Zoning District, where all uses are permitted as a conditional use. The application outlined a request for conditional use approval to construct a two story apartment building with eight apartments. The Hollidaysburg Planning Commission had reviewed the application at their recent meeting. Mr. Rabits advised of the Planning Commission's review comments. The Planning Commission recommended a condition that the applicant must provide a second suitable entrance for the apartments that will access onto Mattern Orchard Drive. Elizabeth Haggi, representing the applicant, made a presentation about the proposed plans for the apartment building.

No one was there to offer any public comment. The public hearing was closed.

The Council Members discussed the application. They discussed the addition of a condition to the use that the applicant must complete the final construction of the currently unfinished portion of Mattern Orchard Drive between Bartlett Lane and the northern Holliday Hills traffic circle. Mrs. Lowe made a motion to recommend that the solicitor prepare a resolution to approve the conditional use request to include the following additional

conditions: 1.) As part of the land development, the applicant must provide a second suitable entrance for the apartments onto Mattern Orchard Drive. 2.) The applicant shall complete the final construction of the currently unfinished portion of Mattern Orchard Drive between Bartlett Lane and the northern Holliday Hills traffic circle. 3.) Prior to the issuance of any occupancy permit for any apartment in the apartment building, the applicant shall have completed the final construction of the second entrance onto Mattern Orchard Drive referenced above, as well as completed the final construction of the currently unfinished portion of Mattern Orchard Drive between Bartlett Lane and the northern Holliday Hills traffic circle. A second to the motion was made by Mr. Plummer and a vote was taken. The motion carried unanimously, six votes to zero votes. The solicitor will prepare a resolution to approve this request for conditional use with these three conditions, as well as the standard conditions, for Council's consideration at the October 11th Council meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Gehret advised that his manager's report was in their agenda binders. He gave a report of the recent rain event and flooding from that rain in the Borough. The manager requested that Council advise him of their availability for a budget work session for September 27th or October 4th.

PLANNING AND ZONING REPORT: Mr. Rabits indicated that his report was in Council's agenda binder. He advised that he would present a summary from the Code Enforcement Committee at the October 11th Borough Council meeting.

MAIN STREET MANAGER: Ms. Futrick announced the date for Pumpkinfest of October 20. The design Committee advised that the Hometown Heroes Banners will remain up until Veteran's Day.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT: Dave Zeek was not present at the meeting. Nancy Kerns updated everyone on Dave's status. She also reminded of the upcoming events at the fire hall.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Dodson reported that \$1000 will be donated to the Winterfest.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1.) Richard Latker, Hollidaysburg Community Watchdog Group: Spoke about the road at Holliday Hills. Voiced a complaint about skateboarders and damage to property in the Borough as well as the fine involved for the violation. Mentioned the disposition of public records.
- 2.) Regis Nale, 210 Beaver Street: CDBG funds dedicated to assist with the sewer project.
- 3.) Tony Rogers, 907 Holliday Hills Drive: Spoke about speeding on Holliday Hills Drive.

OPEN AGENDA:

- **PATRICK PLUMMER:** *Just a request for Public Works to spray the pavers downtown.*
- **MAYOR DODSON:** The Holliday Hills traffic circle.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-36, CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Pompa asked for Council's consideration of Resolution No. 2018-36 for bill list number 9 totaling \$ 151,187.85 and to approve one COA for 412 Allegheny Street for signage, to appoint the CAO for the pension plans, to set the 2019 MMO for both the uniform and non-uniform employees' pension plans. A motion was made by Mr. Shawley to approve Resolution No. 2018-36. Mr. Plummer seconded this motion. A vote was taken with the motion carrying, six votes to zero votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-36
A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania, that:

- 1) Bill List No. 9 dated September 13, 2018 authorizes payment of expenses totaling \$151,187.85 consisting of accounts payable and owing the Borough of Hollidaysburg from duly appropriated moneys is hereby approved.
- 2) Approve One Certificate of Appropriateness and Authorize the Zoning Administrator to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness/Zoning Permit as follows:
 - A. 412 ALLEGHENY STREET – BUSINESS SIGNAGE - VILLANO INSURANCE GROUP, LLC**
 - The sign will hang from an existing bracket
 - The sign will measure 2’ by 2’
 - The sign will be constructed of 13mm recycled material
 - Vinyl lettering signage will be added to the front window
 - Vinyl lettering signage will be added to the glass door
 - All signage is in compliance with zoning regulations for the district
- 3) Borough Manager James Gehret is hereby appointed as the Chief Administrative Officer for the Borough Non-uniformed and Uniformed Pension Plans.
- 4) The Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Uniformed Pension Plan for 2019 has been duly filed and is hereby accepted.
- 5) The Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan for 2019 has been duly filed and is hereby accepted.

DULY adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this 13th day of September, 2018.

Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 885 DISORDERLY HOUSE: A motion was made by Mr. Burke, and was seconded by Mr. Plummer. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes:

Mr. Burke – yes
Mr. Plummer – yes
Mrs. Lowe – yes
Mr. Leahey - yes

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Mr. Pompa – yes

Mr. Shawley – yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-37 DISPOSITION OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC RECORDS: A motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-37 was made by Mr. Burke and was then seconded by Mr. Shawley. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously six votes to zero votes.

DISCUSSION: SKATEBOARDING AND FINES: Chief Estep discussed the need to amend the fines for the skateboarding violation. Following discussion, there was a consensus of Borough Council that the amendment to the ordinance should be advertised for Council's consideration to adopt at the October 11th meeting.

DISCUSSION: 2018 CDBG APPLICATION: Trina Illig, the Blair County CDBG Administrator, made a presentation regarding the submission of the 2018 CDBG application for the Borough. Following the presentation, a motion was made by Mr. Shawley that the application will request funding toward housing rehabilitation. This motion was seconded by Mr. Leahey. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously, six votes to zero votes.

POLICE INTERN: Chief Estep requested an intern for the Police Department. Borough Council advised that he could look into it.

ADJOURN: President Pompa adjourned the meeting at 8:21 PM.

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary