

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019**  
**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; Jeffrey Ketner; Mark L. Shawley; Sean M. Burke and Brady Leahey. Others in attendance: Borough Manager Jim Gehret; Borough Secretary Patricia J. Duron; Attorney Nathan Karn, Building Code Official Gerald Harbison, Director of Community Relations & Events Katrina Pope, Fire Marshal David Zeek and Chief Rodney B. Estep. Councilwoman Joyce Lowe was absent.

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

**MINUTES:** The minutes dated August 8, 2019 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. Leahey to approve the minutes, and was then seconded by Mr. Shawley. A vote was taken with the motion carrying in a vote of six votes in favor to zero votes not in favor.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr. Gehret reported that his manager's report was in their agenda binders.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Gehret advised that there was nothing new to report in the financials.

**PLANNING/ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Gerald (Jerry) Harbison advised that his report was in their agenda binders.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS & EVENTS:** Katrina advised that the Bites in the Burg event was canceled until next year.

**FIRE MARSHAL REPORT:** Dave Zeek was there and reported that the fire siren was up and running. *Councilman Leahey had some inquiries about the siren's operation. There was discussion.*

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The Mayor advised of an upcoming proclamation at the Veteran's Home.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Richard Latker, 703 Allegheny Street, Hollidaysburg Watch Dog: spoke about the Hollidaysburg

Zoning Hearing Board hearings with regard to the Presbyterian Home and McLanahan Corporation and the conduct of the Presbyterian Home.

Regis Nale, 210 Jackson Street: spoke about parking signs in Gaysport near the Presbyterian Home and the Borough public works crew painting the parking spaces.

Bill Vanetta, 816 Montgomery Street: spoke about the poor condition of 810 and 818 Montgomery Street.

Jessica Sorge, Hollidaysburg Ambulance: introduced herself as the Executive Director of the Hollidaysburg Ambulance.

**OPEN AGENDA:**

Sean Burke: Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor: Property Maintenance Code.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-20, CONSENT AGENDA:** Resolution no. 2019-20, Consent Agenda, approves Bill List # 9 in the amount of \$76,103.15, five Certificates of Appropriateness, Appoint the CAO for Pension Plans, and Accept the MMO for uniformed employee pension plans. A motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-20 was made by Mr. Leahey and was seconded by Mr. Shawley. A vote was taken with the motion carrying, six votes to zero votes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-20**

**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 12, 2019 authorizes payment of expenses totaling **\$76,103.15** consisting of accounts payable and owing the Borough of Hollidaysburg from duly appropriated moneys is hereby approved.
- 2) Approve Five Certificates of Appropriateness and Authorize the Zoning Administrator to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness/Zoning Permit as follows:
  - A. **509 WALNUT STREET – REMODEL ROOF, REPLACE WINDOWS, INSTALL NEW SIDING, EXTEND PORCH – MICHAEL REEVE**
    - Remodel the flat roof to a peaked roof
    - Replace windows and eliminate three of the windows
    - Install new siding
    - Install new vinyl soffit and metal fascia
    - Install new gutters and downspouts
    - Extend the porch to a wraparound

**B. 400 BLAIR STREET – AWNING – CHRIS ROGERS (FAÇADE GRANT)**

- Install an awning over the entryway on Blair Street

**C. 511 ALLEGHENY STREET – BUSINESS SIGNAGE - HOLLIDAYSBURG COMMUNITY WATCHDOG**

- Install business signage on the building
- The sign will be placed on the outside wall of the building
- The sign will measure approximately 24” by 36”
- The sign will be constructed of metal
- All signage is in compliance with zoning regulations for the district

**D. 411 – 413 S. JUNIATA STREET – BUSINESS SIGNAGE – LIBERTY HALL PROPERTIES**

- Install two shingle signs and a panel sign
- The two signs will be shingles in front of the building attached to the main wall and/or including the porch to advertise the coffee company
- The signs will be constructed of signfoam
- The signs will measure 30” by 30”, double sided
- The panel sign will measure 18” by 30” with three 8” by 30” panels
- This sign will be advertisement for tenants in the rear of the property
- All signage is in compliance with zoning regulations for the district

**E. 401 S. JUNIATA STREET – REPAIR EXTERIOR WOOD, REPLACE SHUTTERS & PAINT– LIBERTY HALL PROPERTIES (FAÇADE GRANT)**

- Repair wood features on the front (S. Juniata) and Wayne Street sides of building
- Replace wooden shutters with wooden shutters
- Paint wood

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 2020 has been duly filed and is hereby accepted.

5) The Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan for 2020 has been duly filed and is hereby accepted.

**DULY** adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this **12<sup>th</sup>** day of **September, 2019**.

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Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

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Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

**DISCUSSION: AMENDMENTS TO THE TRAFFIC CODE:** Parking regulations for the Gaysport area and the installation of all way stops were discussed. A motion was made to recommend that staff should proceed with the ad for adoption of an ordinance to amend the traffic code was made by Mr. Burke. Mr. Shawley seconded the motion and a vote was taken. The motion carried with six votes in favor to zero votes against.

**DISCUSSION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** There was no new information to report at this time.

**ORDINANCE NO. 895:** This ordinance will include an intergovernmental agreement so that Blair County may manage 911 addressing for municipalities. A motion was made by Mr. Plummer to adopt Ordinance No. 895 and was seconded by Mr. Shawley. A roll call vote was taken with the following tally:

Mr. Burke – yes

Mr. Leahey – yes

Mr. Pompa – yes

Mr. Plummer – yes

Mr. Shawley – yes

Mr. Ketner – yes

The motion carried with six votes in favor to zero votes against.

**DISCUSSION: WINDOW AND STEEL DOOR PURCHASE FOR THE POLICE**

**DEPARTMENT:** As there were no estimates ready for this meeting as to the cost for the project, it will be added to next month's council meeting agenda for discussion.

**APPOINTMENT TO THE ISC:** Mr. Gehret requested that Gerald Harbison be assigned to this committee in his stead. A motion was made by Mr. Plummer to appoint Mr. Harbison to this committee to replace Mr. Gehret. Mr. Ketner seconded the motion and a vote was held. The motion carried six votes in favor to zero votes against.

**ADJOURN:** President Pompa adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM.

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Patricia J. Duron  
Borough Secretary