

May 24, 2018
COUNCIL MEETING

The MS4 public comments special meeting was called to order by Solicitor Timothy Miller at 6:45 PM. Sarah from the Leader Times was present and asked when the MS4 project would be voted on, and Mr. Miller replied at the June 2018 meeting. No other public comments. Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a brief invocation, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council President John Kautz at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

Present: Council members John Kautz, Diane Bradshaw, Denny Gabrielli, Nancy Walker, Ashley Stiffy, Dylan Foster, and John Steele were present. Solicitor Tim Miller was present. Mayor Virostek was present. Borough Manager was absent.

Public Comments: None.

Dr. John Kautz announced an executive session to discuss personnel. Council returned to regular session at 7:50 PM.

A motion was made by Ashley Stiffy, and seconded by Dylan Foster, to hire Christopher Gabriel, Attorney with Cafardi Ferguson Wyrick Weis & Stotler to represent the borough with personnel matters at a rate of \$190 per hour for Senior Associates, and \$135 per hour for Paralegal hours. This motion includes authorizing Dr. John Kautz to sign a fee agreement on behalf of the borough. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report: Report from Rich Craft was received by council.

A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Dylan Foster, to pay the engineering invoices totaling \$6,690.81. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report: A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Ashley Stiffy, to approve the solicitor's invoices in the amount of \$427.50. Motion passed unanimously.

The solicitor will not be attending the July council meeting.

The borough building lease extension with the Greens was discussed. Per the terms proposed in the January 10, 2018 letter sent from the solicitor to the Greens, and agreed to by the Greens, a motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Dennis Gabrielli, to accept the terms of the extension. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ashley Stiffy, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the minutes from the meetings of 4/26/18 with a correction to the March approval of minutes. The approval was correctly seconded by Diane Bradshaw on March 22, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: None.

Borough Manager Report: Borough Manager was absent. After discussion regarding the Armstrong County Land Bank, a motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Ashley Stiffy, to notify Brigid Beatty from the Department of Planning and Development that Apollo Borough remains interested in participating in the land bank. Motion passed unanimously.

Nancy Walker as Apollo Library representative discussed a Keystone Grant for the library they would like to apply for that the borough would be required to sponsor. Any monies received would be dollar for dollar distributed to the library. The borough would help fill out the application and sign the documents. A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to sponsor this grant request and sign all the applicable documents. Motion passed unanimously.

Roaring Run Watershed Association, per telephone contact from Ken Kaminski, is asking Apollo if the borough would take back and maintain that part of the trail located between North Third Street and First Street. A motion was made by Dylan Foster, and seconded by Ashley Stiffy, to table this request to a future meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A solicitation request was made by Rainbow Emergency Communications for a boot drive on Friday, June 8th from 4 PM to dusk. A motion was made by Ashley Stiffy, and seconded by Dylan Foster, to approve their request. Motion passed unanimously.

An application has been received for a handicapped parking space near 406 ½ N. Pennsylvania Avenue. A motion was made by Ashley Stiffy, and seconded by Dylan Foster, to approve the handicap parking space. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning Committee Report

Ashley Stiffy – Chairman

Public Works & Streets Committee Report

Nancy Walker – Chairman

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

Property Committee Report

Dennis Gabrielli - Chairman

Finance Committee Report

John Kautz – Chairman

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD May 2018):

Garbage Fund – \$7870.36
General Fund (includes payroll) – \$39094.74
Liquid Fuels Fund – \$3674.70
Sewer Fund – \$6246.85
Sewer Separation Fund - \$2,395.03
Parking Fund – \$178.09
Total – \$59,459.77

A motion was made by Nancy Walker, and seconded by Ashley Stiffy, to pay all bills, including payroll. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dylan Foster, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.



John Kautz
Council President

Diane Bradshaw
Council Vice President