

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 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 Burke; Joyce Lowe, and Brady Leahey. Others in attendance: Borough Manager Jim Gehret; Borough Secretary Patricia J. Duron; Mayor Joseph R. Dodson; Attorney Jeff Muriceak, and Chief Rodney B. Estep, Jr. Fire Marshal David Zeek was absent.

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

MINUTES: The minutes dated April 11, 2019 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mrs. Lowe to approve the minutes, and was then seconded by Mr. Plummer. A vote was taken with the motion carrying in a vote of seven votes to zero votes.

PROCLAMATION AND PRESENTATION: Mayor Dodson read a proclamation to honor WWII Veteran Roger Bowers in honor of his service, being a POW, and his 95th birthday.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Mr. Gehret advised that there would be a Downtown LIVE! Concert on May 16th on the Diamond, and the Partnership's Springfest event on May 18th with the 200 block of Allegheny Street being closed for their bands that day. He announced start dates for the Director of Community Relations and Events of May 20th and the Director of Planning & Zoning and Code Enforcement for May 28th.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Gehret advised that the financials for the end of April were included in their meeting binders.

MAYOR: Reported potholes in the Borough.

FIRE MARSHAL REPORT: Dave Zeek was not in attendance. Mr. Gehret reported for Dave that he had one burning complaint for the Gaysport area that he had determined to be unfounded.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert Schaeffer, 606 Blair Street: spoke negatively about Council not adopting the ordinance to approve his zoning map amendment request.

Richard Latker, 703 Allegheny Street, representing the Hollidaysburg Community Watchdog: spoke about Mr. Schaeffer's zoning map amendment request with respect to the testimony

presented at the public hearing, the Watchdog's election mailer, about the First United Methodist Church and their neighbors, and the Historic Preservation Commission.

OPEN AGENDA:

There was nothing for Open Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12, CONSENT AGENDA: Resolution no. 2019-10, Consent Agenda, approves Bill List # 5 in the amount of \$119,782.98, four Certificates of Appropriateness, and a final payment approval to BCS Construction. A motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-12 was made by Mr. Ketner and was seconded by Mr. Shawley. A vote was taken with the motion carrying, seven votes to zero votes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12
A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- 1) **Bill List No. 5** dated May 9, 2019 authorizes payment of expenses totaling \$119,782.98 consisting of accounts payable and owing the Borough of Hollidaysburg from duly appropriated moneys is hereby approved.
- 2) **Four Certificates of Appropriateness as follows:**
 - 1012 Allegheny Street – Attic Window Replacement**
 - Four new composite windows will be installed in the attic
 - The windows will match the style and the look of the current windows from the exterior
 - 215 Allegheny Street – Business Signage Window Lettering**
 - The sign will be window lettering to be placed in the front window
 - The sign will read Lightning Bug Gift Company
 - The sign is consistent with Zoning Regulations per signage
 - 709 Allegheny Street – Addition**
 - A 246 sf addition will be constructed
 - The addition will be at the rear
 - The addition will be constructed with matching materials to the current structure
 - 206 Allegheny Street – Chimney Removal and Reconstruction**
 - A demolished chimney will be rebuilt with the same proportions and dimensions as the original and will include a flue liner
 - Another chimney will be repaired to make it water tight
 - Appropriate UCC Permits will be obtained where needed

- 3) **Approve Final Payment to BCS Construction, Inc** in the amount of \$22,679.55

DULY adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this 9th day of May, 2019.

Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

DISCUSSION: HUMANE SOCIETY TNR GRANT REQUEST: Council discussed the request from the Central PA Humane Society for a \$3,000.00 grant toward the Trap, Neuter and Release Program for the Borough of Hollidaysburg. Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Burke to grant the Humane Society \$1,000.00 for the program in the Borough of Hollidaysburg. This motion was seconded by Mr. Leahey. A vote was taken and the motion was approved, seven votes to zero votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13: Resolution No. 2019-13 was presented to Borough Council to approve the award of the 2019 Paving Program to Grannas Bros. Stone & Asphalt Co., Inc in the amount of \$219,891.18. A motion was made by Mr. Leahey to approve Resolution No. 2019-13 and was seconded by Mrs. Lowe. A vote was taken and the motion carried seven votes to zero votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-13

AWARDING THE 2019 CONTRACT FOR STREET PAVING PROJECTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania, that the 2019 contract for Street Paving Projects, is awarded to Grannas Bros. Stone & Asphalt Co., Inc in the amount of \$219,891.18.

DULY adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this 9th day of May, 2019.

Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14: Resolution No. 2019-14 was presented to Borough Council to approve the award of the Stone & Blacktop contracts to New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc. and to Grannas Bros. Stone & Asphalt Co., Inc. A motion was made by Mrs. Lowe and was seconded by Mr. Ketner. A vote was taken and the motion carried, seven votes to zero votes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14
AWARDING THE 2019 CONTRACT FOR STONE & BLACKTOP MATERIALS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania, that the 2019 contract for Stone is awarded to New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. in the amount of \$19,286.25, and the contract for Blacktop Materials is awarded to Grannas Bros. Stone & Asphalt Co., Inc. in the amount of \$23, 937.50.

DULY adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this 9th day of May, 2019.

Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15 APPOINTING A DELEGATE TO THE ANNUAL PSAB CONFERENCE: Resolution No. 2019-15 indicated that James Gehret should be named the voting delegate to the annual PSAB Conference. A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019-15 was made by Mr. Plummer. Mr. Shawley seconded the motion. A vote was taken with the motion carrying unanimously, seven votes to zero votes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15
A RESOLUTION APPOINTING PSAB DELEGATE**

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

James Gehret is hereby designated as the Voting Delegate representing the Borough of Hollidaysburg at the Annual Conference of the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs to be held at the Hershey Lodge from June 9 through June 12, 2019.

DULY adopted by the Council of the Borough of Hollidaysburg this 9th day of May, 2019.

Joseph A. Pompa, President

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Duron, Secretary

DISCUSSION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: This discussion was begun by Councilman Burke regarding an update to the existing comprehensive plan with respect to the 2020 budget and a directive to the new zoning officer for the Borough to explore the process as well as zoning requests in the interim.

DISCUSSION: DANGEROUS STRUCTURE INVESTIGATION, 120 BROAD STREET:

Following the discussion about the condition of this building at 120 Broad Street, a motion was made by Mr. Burke to proceed with the investigation. Mr. Ketner seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried seven votes to zero votes.

SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS PURCHASE: A proposal to purchase surveillance cameras for the Canal Basin Park was presented to Borough Council. Mr. Ketner made a motion to approve the purchase. Mr. Leahy seconded the motion and it carried, seven votes to zero votes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: President Pompa announced an executive session at 7:50 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 8:40 PM, President Pompa advised that there would be an Executive Session and that they would not be returning from it.

Patricia J. Duron
Borough Secretary