

Sellersville Borough Council Chambers
140 East Church Street
Sellersville, PA 18960
October 7, 2019
7:00 O'clock P.M.

The regular October, 2019 meeting of Sellersville Borough Council was called to order by President Lois Dodson at the above designated time and location.

All present joined in offering our "National Pledge of Allegiance".

ROLL CALL:

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| Mayor | : | Thomas C. Hufnagle, Mayor |
| Councilpersons | : | Lois A. Dodson, President Alexander M. Potoczny, Jr., Vice-President James G. Hull, President Pro Tem Donald Crouthamel Kathleen J. Hallman Lynne Saylor |
| Borough Solicitor | : | Randal White, Esquire |
| Borough Engineer | : | |
| Police Service Provider | : | Perkasie Police Sergeant Alec Sprouce |
| Manager/Secretary | : | David J. Rivet |
| Absent | : | Marie G. Howells |

CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Minutes:

1. Regular October, 2019 Meeting

B. October, 2019 Treasurer's Report by Cheryl Zischang

1. See Treasurer's Report on file.

C. October, 2019 Tax Collector's report by Sue A. Snyder

1. See Tax Collector's Report on file.

D. October, 2019 Mayor Thomas C. Hufnagle's Report

1. See Perkasie Police Department Report on file.

E. October, 2019 Reports from Operating Departments

1. Public Works Department Report by John Barry Snyder, Foreman

- a. General Maintenance: Cleaned storm inlets, storm pipes and ditches; repaired and maintained vehicles; various shop repairs and improvements; cleaned areas of shop inside and outside; pothole patching; installed new street signs/posts and repaired street signs; swept streets; hung Hometown Heroes banners.
- b. Sewer System: Opened sewer laterals; opened sewer main; delivered and hung shut off notices.
- c. Park and Playground: Removed trash; picked up branches; cut dead trees; placed wood chips around playground equipment.

2. Administration Report by David J. Rivet, Manager/Secretary

Staff Report:

a. All administrative matters are of the routine nature.

b. Building Permits:

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| 1. Christopher & Gail Knight | 156 Diamond Street | #2163 roof |
| 2. Russ & Amy Ramsey | 530 Washington Avenue | #2164 addition |
| 3. Kevin Cliver | 232 Lawn Avenue | #2165 garage |

c. Zoning Permits

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| 1. Brent Alles | 345 Lawn Avenue | shed |
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F. October, 2019 Solicitor's Report by R. White Legal

1. See Solicitor's Report on file.

G. October, 2019 Engineer's Report

1. No written report from any Borough Engineers.

H. October, 2019 Reports from Commissions and Boards.

1. Park and Recreation Board: Kathleen Hallman, Chair
 - a. See Park and Recreation Board Minutes on file.
 - b. Next meeting scheduled for November 12, 2019
2. Planning Commission: John Larsen, Chair
 - a. See September 2019 minutes on file.
 - c. Next regular meeting scheduled for October 21, 2019.
3. Zoning Hearing Board: Matthew A. Swierzewski, Chair.

No Business
4. Emergency Management Agency: Craig A. Wilhelm, Coordinator

No Business

I. October, 2019 Report from Committee of Council

- a. See September 2019 meeting minutes.
- b. Next regular meeting scheduled for October 15, 2019

A motion was made by Mr. Crouthamel that the Consent Calendar, Items (A) through (I), be approved as presented. Mr. Potoczny seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Dr. Joseph Mirtaj, owner of Pennridge Dentistry, 55 N. Main Street addressed Council regarding the payment demand from Manager Rivet for half the construction cost to replace the failed driveway section on his property. President Dodson stated that the Council will discuss the matter further and will respond.

William Schild, 362 Lawn Avenue addressed Council, staff and Perkasio Police on issues related to traffic on Lawn Avenue. He questioned Sergeant Sprouse on the number of speeding tickets written and asked if a car with a dummy could be placed to slow traffic. Sergeant Sprouse replied that the speeding ticket issue could be made to the acting police chief. In regards to the dummy in a police car, he said that it only somewhat effective for a short time before people realize it is not a real person. Mr. Schild further suggested that additional 25 MPH speed limit and "targeted enforcement" signs be installed. Phil Haegele, 433 Lawn Avenue stated that PA DOT officials had contacted him and chevrons will be installed on the sharp curve at his residence and the sign post that has a 35 MPH speed limit sign will be replaced by a curve and 25 MPH advisory speed sign.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Ordinances
None
- B. Resolutions
None
- C. Motions
None
- D. Authorizations
None
- E. Agreements
None
- F. Appointments
None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 p.m., President Dodson declared an executive session to discuss potential litigation regarding the Vandermark property, 216 Washington Avenue. At 7:55 p.m., the executive session adjourned and regular Council session resumed.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Council member Hallman stated that the playground looks great, but there are skateboarders still using the tennis courts. She further stated that the labyrinth ribbon cutting Sunday, October 6th was well attended. A Halloween Party will be held at the Sellersville Fire Department Saturday October 26th and there is no parade this year.
2. Council member Hull stated that the Pennridge Waste Water Treatment Authority was considering building a fund reserve instead of rebating excess budgeted funds back to members. Council members suggested that the Authority review the intermunicipal agreement to verify if doing that is allowed.
3. Council member Crouthamel inquired about any new developments regarding the Park Avenue Manor. Manager Rivet stated that there was some activity that the police investigated regarding suspicious activity from visitors of the Manor and the owner evicted the resident for violating their rules.

AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

The monthly invoices were presented for payment authorization. Mr. Hull made a motion "that the invoices as presented be authorized for payment". Ms. Saylor seconded and the motion carried. Checks drawn in payment of the invoices are as follows: General-Water-Sewer Check Nos. ____ through ____, totaling \$ ____.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional matters to come before this meeting of Borough Council, President Lois Dodson declared this meeting duly adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on November 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Attest: _____
David J. Rivet, Secretary
Sellersville Borough Council