Borough of Gordon Council Meeting Minutes August 1, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, August 1, 2022. Council President Jeffrey Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Cathy Moyer held roll call. Council members Richard Korn, Jeffrey Hoffman, Tracy Hughes, and Shannon Dumboski were present providing a quorum. Mayor George Brocious, Operations Manager George Troutman, and Secretary Cathy Moyer were also in attendance along with four citizens. Council member, Anthony Loftus was not in attendance.

Public Comment: None

Minutes:

Minutes from the July 5, 2022 Monthly Meeting were presented.

A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes of July 5, 2022 monthly meeting.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Richard Korn

Treasurer Report: Secretary Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of July. The Borough received income of \$10,334.64 and had expenses of \$31,126.77. The General Fund had a month end balance of \$82,791.70 and the Motor Licensing Fund had a month end balance of \$43,762.83.

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report of July as presented.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

Payment of Invoices: A motion was made to pay the invoices for August.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Chris Reidlinger discussed with Council the problem the citizens are having with their garbage billing. It was questioned whether the fact that some people have Gordon addresses and some who have home delivery have Ashland addresses was the problem. But it was determined that did not seem to be the factor. He will continue to work on the problem with County Waste.

On the request made by Mark Harris to be able to purchase a property which appears to be owned by the Borough and adjoins a property he is acquiring. It was decided to have the Borough grant a quick claim deed to Mr. Harris as long as Don Cuff of Entech Engineering can verify the description of the property.

A motion was made to approve the execution of a quick claim deed for Mark Harris for a property on East Plane and West Biddle Street on the condition that the Borough has the engineer verify the description of the property.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Richard Korn

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: None

Fire Company: Mayor George Brocious said the Fire Company had a request from the Cub Scouts to use the Community Hall on Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 7:30. Approval was given.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

Mr. Brocious also noted that the Fire Company received a copy of their insurance policy and he couldn't find anything about errors and omissions. The secretary will contact the insurance company to get clarification.

Code Enforcement: A motion was made to pay Code Enforcement Officer, Nicholas Hazlett, 385.00 for 11 hours.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

The Code Enforcement Officer then gave an update on properties he has been dealing with. 316 E. Plane Street and 107 Gordon Street are in warrant status. A motion was made to turn them over to the Constable to be served.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

300 Elm Street was once again posted with a condemnation placard. A burning violation was given to 618 McKnight Street.

Operations Manager Report:

Request by Troop Pack 780: Helen Steward rented a pavilion at the park for the Troop Pack 780 and requested they be allowed to have a campfire in a metal ring. The request was granted.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Mr. Troutman updated council on a pre-bid meeting that was held for the Rattling Run Stream Bank Project. He said there were some issues which seem to be somewhat resolved, We will have the results of the bidding by the next meeting as they are due August 3, 2022.

In an update on the park, he also informed council that Bill Metzinger will be donating the concrete for the new shed in the park. The electricity is complete, and he is ready to install the cameras.

Wages for Part-Time Worker: A motion was made to pay Richard Babb for 11 hours that he helped George Troutman at \$15.00/hour which is \$165.00.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made to adopt the new mileage rate of 62.5 cents per mile.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Public Comment:

Leo Rauber stated that he felt it was a waste to spend \$10,800.00 to pave Grosser Street. Also, he felt that beams should be placed in the creek to stabilize the wall. Chairman Hoffman said that was done before and it led to flooding and there would be no further discussion.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

The next meeting will be held on September 6, 2022.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer September 6, 2022