

Borough of Gordon Council Meeting Minutes November 1, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, November 1, 2021, at 7:00 PM. Council President, Todd Houser, led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Cathy Moyer held roll call. Council members Todd Houser, Richard Babb, Richard Korn, Jeffrey Hoffman, Tracy Hughes, and Shannon Dumboski were present providing a quorum. Operations Manager George Troutman, Solicitor Chris Reidlinger and Secretary Cathy Moyer were also in attendance along with five citizens. Mayor George Brocius was not in attendance.

Public Comment:

Mr. Daryl Klinger was present to give Council an update on properties at 419 and 427 Biddle Street. These properties were owned by Mr. Klinger's family and had fallen into disrepair. Mr. Klinger informed Council of his intention to restore the property at 419 and eventually demolish a trailer on 427 Biddle Street. Mr. Klinger will be returning to the area to do this, and Council welcomed him back.

Minutes: Minutes from the October 4, 2021 meeting were presented.

A motion was made to accept the meeting minutes of October 4, 2021 monthly meeting.

Motion: Jeffrey Hoffman Seconded: Richard Korn

Treasurer Report: Secretary Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of October. The Borough received income of \$52,312.68 and had expenses of \$ 114,527.96. The Treasurer explained that the expenses were so high because of paying for the new truck, the new roof, the loan/donation to the Fire Company and the line painting which was done on Biddle Street. The General Fund had a month end balance of \$24,693.85, the Motor Licensing Fund had a month end balance of \$26,674.28.

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

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

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

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Jeffrey Hoffman

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Reidlinger reminded Council that at the December meeting they will need to do a resolution appointing an auditor for 2022. Also, they need to decide if they are changing the millage for 2022. If so, an Ordinance would have to be adopted.

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: In the Mayor's absence, president Todd Houser read the September and October reports from the Butler Township Police Department.

Fire Company: There was no report, but President Houser knew that the Fire Company received their 501C status and has already received money from Walmart.

Code Enforcement: A motion was made to pay Code Enforcement Officer, Nicholas Hazlett, \$630.00 for 18 hours.

Motion: Jeffrey Hoffman Seconded: Tracy Hughes

When Nicholas Hazlett arrived, he reported that he has been focused on Quality-Of-Life violations. He presented them with a spreadsheet of 15 violations he has already handled. The question then came up: If someone receives a ticket on a violation and they take care of it promptly, do they need to pay the fine? It was concluded that if the violation was taken care of in ten days there would be no fine.

Operations Manager Report:

Operations Manager, George Troutman, reported that we received the truck but are still waiting for the correct cinder spreader to be put on. He already hauled asphalt with the new truck for repairing potholes. Also, he cut back on some rights-of-ways in the alleys to widen the alleys for maintaining them. American Rock Salt will be bringing a load of salt this week.

Old Business:

There was nothing new on the creek wall.

New Business:

A motion was made to pay Richard Babb \$75.00 for 5 hours in the month of October.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Jeffrey Hoffman

Public Comment:

An amended motion was then made to put the sale of the old dump truck on the agenda.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

An amended motion was then made to adopt a resolution authorizing the Solicitor to draw up an ad for the sale of the pickup truck at the December Meeting.

Motion: Jeffrey Hoffman Seconded: Tracy Hughes

An amended motion was made to place an ad in the local newspaper to have sealed bids at the December Meeting for the sale of the pickup truck.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 P.M.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Jeffrey Hoffman

The next meeting will be held on December 6, 2021.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer December 6, 2021

