

Mount Gretna Borough
Minutes
October 14, 2019

Virginia Minnich, President, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held in the Boardroom, rear of the Post Office building, Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania.

Council Members and Staff present:

Virginia Minnich, President	William Kleinfelter, Vice-President
Michael Bell	Allan Feldman
Lois Herr	
William Care, Public Works Director/Code Enforcement Officer	
Linda Bell, Secretary/Treasurer	Keith Kilgore, Solicitor

Council Members Absent: Joseph Shay, Mayor

Also, Present: NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

Agenda, Minutes, Financial Report and Invoices List:

Michael Bell made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Lois Herr seconded the motion. All were in favor.

William Kleinfelter made a motion to accept the September meeting minutes with minor corrections. Lois Herr seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Lois Herr made a motion to accept the September financial report and invoice listing as presented. William Kleinfelter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

POLICE REPORT: President Minnich read the police report. A copy is attached and heretofore made part of the minutes.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Lebanon Community Library	Newsletter
Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority	Meeting minutes available on website - www.gogtra.org
Craig Zemitis	Thank you for donation to Farm Preservation

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR: No Report

MOUNT GRETNA FIRE COMPANY: William Kleinfelter shared that the Fire Company responded to 14 calls in September. An incident report is forthcoming.

SOLICITOR:

Ordinance #216: Council briefly discussed the hour when noise should be permissible within the Borough confirming that the summer hours established at the September meeting in Ordinance #216 were correct as ; 8 AM - 5 PM from Memorial Day to September 14th. The hours are to be consistent between all noise related

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ordinances therefore, Solicitor Kilgore will prepare an amendment for the Construction Ordinance for vote at the November council meeting.

ROADS AND STREETS:

Mr. Care gave the following report.

Storm Water: The Borough staff is currently working on installing storm water controls on Columbia Avenue between 202 and 204 Columbia Avenue, Schaeffer and Haag properties. The installation includes drainage control, new walkway with steps. The walkway will be paved and treated using red stone. As per agreement with Frederick Schaeffer. Solicitor Kilgore will verify that the agreement states that the use of pavement is acceptable.

The storm water control and installation of new steps has been completed at 108 Muhlenberg Avenue per the easement agreement with John Amodeo, property owner. The old steps and pavement have been removed as per agreement.

Traffic Speed Control: No Report

Equipment: No Report

Leaf and Brush Collection: Leaves will be collected twice, starting on October 28th and November 11th. Brush will be collected twice, starting on November 25th and December 9th. Special brush collection will be scheduled if necessary, in the event of storm damage.

Snow Removal Contracts: Snow removal contracts are in place. It is the second year of a three year contract with South Londonderry Township, Conewago Hills, Mount Gretna Campmeeting and Mount Gretna Heights.

The Borough staff is preparing the equipment for the winter season.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: NONE

Building Permits: NONE

VARIANCE REQUEST: NONE

LAISONS:

Pennsylvania Chautauqua: Allan Feldman mentioned the success of the Art Show and reported that the Chautauqua board discussed Soldiers' Field grants and monies.

Mr. Care noted that pricing is being obtained for the storm water project on Soldiers' Field. Michael Sherman and Mr. Care have been inventorying dead trees though-out the Borough.

Mount Gretna Authority: Mr. Care reported that water samples were taken at five locations for lead and copper testing. All locations tested were zero for lead. Notices containing the results were mailed to the property owners who participated.

Fire hydrants were tested for fire protection flows. Which indicate how many gallons per minute can be expected allowing a residual pressure up stream. A report will be submitted to the Authority.

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OLD BUSINESS

Resolution: Lois Herr moved to adopt a Resolution in Support of a Citizens Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting. Michael Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Audit Contract: Stanilla, Seigel and Maser will supply an audit contract within the next day or two.

Police Contract: Chief Harris informed Mr. Care that a new police contract will remain the same with the exception of a 2% increase in cost for each of three years. West Cornwall Township is expected to vote to approve their police contract this evening, October 14th.

Solicitor Kilgore advised that he will prepare the necessary documents for formal approval of a police contract at the November meeting.

2020 Budget Preparation: President Minnich and William Kleinfelter will meet to prepare a budget prior to the November meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Michael Bell made a motion, seconded by Lois Herr, to adjourn the meeting. All were favor.

7:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Bell
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Gretna Borough Council