

Mount Gretna Borough

Minutes

September 11, 2023

Lois Herr, Vice-President, called the meeting of the Mount Gretna Borough Council to order at 6:03 PM. The meeting was held in the Hall of Philosophy.

Council Members and Staff present:

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

Council Members Absent:

William Kleinfelter, President
Joseph Shay, Mayor – fire company event

Also, Present:

Julia Bucher, 415 Yale Avenue
William Osburn, 110 Temple Avenue
Deborah Simpson, 108 Lebanon Avenue
Mary Ellen Kiehne, 104 Chicago Avenue
Scott & Jane Zellers, 424 Yale Avenue
Patricia Gokey, 403 Yale Avenue
Jeanette Leid, 308 Lafayette Avenue
Donal Kensinger, 215 Brwon Avenue
Elizabeth Boone, 207 Lebanon Avenue
John & Diane Shue, 423 Yale Avenue

POLICE REPORT: Officer Heim, Cornwall Borough Police Department, read the August police report. A copy of the report is attached and heretofore made part of the minutes.

Public Comment: No comments

Agenda:

Michael Bell made a motion to accept the agenda as printed. Robert Eynon seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Minutes, Financial Report and Invoices List:

Michael Bell made a motion to accept the August meeting minutes as presented. Allan Feldman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Financial Report and Invoice List: On record per Lois Herr.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Greater Lebanon Refuse Authority
Annville Township

Meeting minutes available on website - www.goglra.org
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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MAYOR: No Report

MOUNT GRETNA FIRE COMPANY: The August Fire Company report was emailed to Council members prior to the meeting. A copy is attached and heretofore made part of the minutes.

SOLICITOR:

Public Hearing

At 6:14 PM Solicitor Kilgore open a public hearing on proposed Ordinance #230 amending codified ordinance Chapter 137 to delete the no adjacency requirement for short-term rental licenses.

No comments heard.

At 6:15 PM, the public hearing was closed.

Ordinance #230 removing adjacency clause from previous ordinances.

Robert Eynon made a motion to adopt Ordinance #230, seconded by Michael Bell. All were in favor.

Pennsylvania Chautauqua Rules and Regulations: Allan Feldman requested that the remaining rules and regulations enacted by the Pennsylvania Chautauqua board and approved at Stockholder meeting including the cap on the number rental licenses be adopted by the Mount Gretna Borough at a future meeting.

Michael Bell made a motion, seconded by Allan Feldman, to approve discussion of rules and regulation at a future Borough Council meeting.

ROADS AND STREETS: Mr. Care gave the following report:

Equipment Purchase: The Borough has purchased a new Ford F-350 truck. Per motion by Allan Feldman, seconded by Michael Bell, the old truck will be advertised for sale. All were in favor.

Leaf and Brush Collection: Notices to be sent out in the near future.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Property Maintenance: The ongoing issue of property maintenance at 203 Brown Avenue was discussed. Allan Feldman made a motion, seconded by Robert Eynon, to enforce the maintenance requirements. All were in favor. Mr. Care will again have a conversation with the homeowners.

VARIANCE REQUESTS: NONE

LIAISONS:

Pennsylvania Chautauqua: Allan Feldman stated that the Chautauqua board will meet on Wednesday.

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OLD BUSINEES

Short-Term Rental License: Communications will be sent to all STR license holders and applicants concerning applications for the 2024 year.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 Minimum Municipal Obligation: Michael Bell made a motion to approve the 2024 MMO has presented. The motion was seconded by Robert Eynon. All were in favor.

Thank you for service: Allan Feldman made a formal “Thank You” to Lois Herr for her years of service to the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT

Per motion made by Michael Bell and seconded by Allan Feldman the meeting was unanimously adjourned at
6:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Bell
Secretary/Treasurer
Mount Gretna Borough Council