

REGULAR MEETING OF DRAVOSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL OF APRIL 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Council President McKelvey at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Dzuro.....present
Mols.....present
Palcsey.....present
Snodgrass.....absent (working)
McKelvey.....present

Mr. Palcsey makes the motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Mols seconds the motion. Roll call vote. Dzuro-yes; Mols-yes; Palcsey-yes; McKelvey-yes. Motion carried.

Citizens Present

Mr. Charles Gross reports that Racheal Beam is no longer in charge of the Luscombe Lane project; she left. Adam Bromley has taken over. They tentatively have the paving for Luscombe Lane scheduled for May 20th.

Mr. Gross comments after last month's meeting, the solicitor was supposed to write that letter to the owner of 1207 Luscombe Lane and was wondering if it has been done. Atty. Matta reports it has been done. Mr. Gross comments he also had Mr. Volpe contact the owner regarding the roof being put on without a permit. A brief discussion follows.

Ms. Charlene Kudla comments it's been 6 months and she is done being patient about her lawn getting fixed. They told her they didn't want to seed because of the frost. She wants someone there with the next 2 weeks to replace the soil and have the seeding done. President McKelvey states the engineer will be here shortly and can address that. We will be in touch with the water company She wants a number also. A discussion follows.

Ms. Dorothy Best questions if the water company has been in touch with the gas company to see about line replacement while the street is torn up. President McKelvey states the engineer has been in contact with them. They are not done there yet; they have to come back and connect all the laterals. A brief discussion follows.

Ms. Best reports up on First Street, there has been a vehicle sitting there with a ticket on it for over a month; it's not inspected. President McKelvey asks if it is an orange tag. She says yes. She asked the police officer about it and he said they had 48 hrs. and that was last month. It is still sitting there. President McKelvey comments they were in town today ticketing so maybe they will fill us in. A brief discussion follows.

Mr. Glenn Allen questions if Council gave any consideration to his request from a few months ago about creating a redevelopment committee. President McKelvey responds we have not talked about it. Mr. Allen says all these other towns have a redevelopment committee. A brief discussion follows.

At this time, the engineer arrives and President McKelvey informs him there have been questions for him on the water and gas company on Euclid and then the grass replacement on Maple.

Engineer

Mr. Dursa asks what the questions are. 1) Ms. Best replies the water company was supposed to contact the gas company about replacement while the street was torn up and she just wants to make sure it has been done. Mr. Dursa says he will check into that to make sure it has been done and asks for her address. She states 9 Euclid. A discussion follows on this. 2) Ms. Kudla states she is on Maple and wants her lawn taken care of. Mr. Dursa replies he just talked with the water company and they had a contract with Wilson Contracting that did it. They are going to do something; they didn't want to jump too fast because if you put grass seed down now, it is not going to grow. After a discussion, Mr. Dursa will find out since he made a phone call and they haven't gotten back to him yet. 3) Mr. Dennis Krajewski questions the status of the bathrooms at the ballfields; are they done yet. Mr. Dursa replies they were supposed to be down there working yesterday and today but he hasn't had a chance to stop and check the status. A discussion on this follows.

Mr. Dursa states his report is basically the same as what Mr. Glenn reported last month. CD 49 for Demolition; we are still waiting for COG to get the contracts from the County and CD 50 applications were put in for paving, handicap ramps, the Sherman Ave. wall, and the ballfield.

Mr. Dursa gives a brief report on the Ballfield Restroom status; everything should be completed within the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Dursa reports we received another grant for the ballfields; it is for \$50,000. We have to figure out what we want to do. This time we are going to put everything in writing so everyone knows exactly what will be done and so there are no problems later on.

Mr. Dursa reports on the Maple Ave. project. They are working on putting in the wall and have 2 handicap ramps to put in by Clancy's; there is the curb they are going to move over down at the bottom; there is some line painting. These are additional things that could not be done before the end of winter. He is back now and it should be completed some time by the end of May.

Rick, owner of 112 Euclid, states he purchased it 5 years ago when it was condemned. The front house is done and the back is almost ready. He points out that there is a grass paper alley going down from Third Street to First Street and wanted to see if they could get something done with that. He is concerned about the parking once they are rented out because the front house on Euclid is going to have 2 cars and the house in the back right now will have 1. This area from Third Street to First Street is all grass. He would like to know if the borough could put gravel down there and if not, would they be permitted to. Atty. Matta states his concern would be if the borough put gravel down, we would have to raise it to a certain standard. On the other hand, if the property owners did something, it is another story that he would have to look at. After a discussion, President McKelvey says we will look into that for him. The owner questions who he should contact regarding this. Atty. Matta replies to give him a few days to look into that, maybe Monday and he will be able to get back to him.

Sanitation/Grants/Blighted Property

Mr. Dzuro has nothing to report.

Public Safety/Workers Comp/Fire

President McKelvey has no motions.

Parks/Recreation/Ord

Mr. Palcsey has no motions tonight.

Streets/Property/COG

Mr. Mols makes the motion to readvertise for bids for the 2012 Dodge Truck. Mr. Palcsey seconds the motion. Roll call vote. Dzuro-yes; Mols-yes; Palcsey-yes; McKelvey-yes. Motion carried.

Finance/Insurance/Negotiations

Mr. Mols has nothing to report tonight.

Old Business

Clean up day is set for this Saturday, April 20th. Meet at the borough building at 9 for light refreshments and return after cleaning up the town around noon for pizza.

Solicitor

Atty. Matta comments we are required to notify DCED whenever we borrow money and reads a Resolution for the borough to obtain a bank loan from First Commonwealth Bank in the amount of \$120,000 towards the purchase of a new dump truck. The interest rate is 5.15% for a period of 60 months and authorizes the President of Council and the Borough Manager to sign the loan documents. Mr. Palcsey makes the motion to adopt this Resolution to satisfy DCED's requirements. Mr. Dzuro seconds the motion. Roll call vote. Dzuro-yes; Mols-yes; Palcsey-yes; McKelvey-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Mols makes the motion authorizing the solicitor to prepare the amended Pod Ordinance to include any type of storage container and sets the regulations. Mr. Palcsey seconds the motion. Roll call vote. Dzuro-yes; Mols-yes; Palcsey-yes; McKelvey-yes. Motion carried.

Atty. Matta reports that the letters for 1207 Luscombe Land and 99 Duquesne Ave have been sent out.

New Business

Mr. Palcsey makes the motion to pay the approved bills. Mr. Dzuro seconds the motion. Roll call vote. Dzuro-yes; Mols-yes; Palcsey-yes; McKelvey-yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Mols makes the motion to adjourn. Mr. Palcsey seconds. ALL AYE!!!

Respectfully submitted,



Brenda Honick, Secty/Mgr.