

## **REGULAR MEETING OF LAUREL RUN BOROUGH COUNCIL – JANUARY 19, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.**

### **ROLL CALL**

Gloria Mosley            P  
Mike Tracy              A  
Shandra Kisailus       P  
Mayor Justin Correll   P

The meeting was called to order by the President, Shandra Kisailus with The Pledge to The Flag, followed by a moment of silence. Roll was taken.

**PLANNING AND ZONING:** After some discussion between Atty. Menn and P.J. McLaine, Gloria Mosley made a motion that was seconded by Shandra Kisailus approving the execution of the final phase of Clear Brook's land development which was waiting for DEP approval – of which has been granted.

A motion to accept the written Zoning and Planning Officer Report for the month of January was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

Atty. Thomas O'Connor, as well as other members involved with the possible development of 3680 Laurel Run Road by BrightStar Biomedics, LLC spoke briefly about their interest in seeking State approval for a medical marijuana processing plant there. Atty. Menn told everyone present that no formal applications or requests have been submitted to any Borough authority to date. BrightStar Biomedics were only offering their intention of seeking approval and development in the near future.

The fact that Borton Lawson is the Engineers for BrightStar Biomedics makes it necessary for The Borough to appoint an alternate Zoning Officer for that project to avoid conflicts of interest. Dave Yefko recommended Jack Varaly, as he has past knowledge of Borough matters. Shandra suggested Alfred Benesch and Co. of Hazelton, as they expressed interest in being Zoning Officer in the past. A motion to appoint Alfred Benesch Co., as Alternate Zoning Officer for this project, if needed, as well as any other projects where an alternate is needed in the future, based on their acceptance to do so and the stipulation that they do not represent any other entity that may be seeking State approval for a license to process medical marijuana was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**CITIZEN'S TO BE HEARD:** Rich Yurkin asked Council approval for use of the skid steer and dump truck by the Fire Department for the Hill Climb. Council agreed.

Michelle Hooper asked if the construction company that is installing the sewer system on Giant's Despair is going to clean up the areas they disturbed. Shandra said yes. Justin told her at the work session prior to the meeting; P.J. McLaine told Council they are in the spring.

**MINUTES:** A motion to accept the minutes from the December regular meeting was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** A motion to accept the report for the month of January was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus. Motion carried.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:** A motion to accept the report was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**RECEIPTS:** A motion to accept the receipts for the month of January in the amount of \$22,728.84 to the General Fund was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus. Motion carried.

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**EXPENSES**: A motion to accept and authorize payment of the expenses for the month of January in the amount of \$5,345.03 from the General Fund and \$2,019.26 from the Motor Vehicle Fund was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**: A motion to accept the report for the month of February was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus. Motion carried.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**: Jolene read the written report. A motion to accept it was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS**: No report, but Justin told Council that PP&L is reviewing the placement of the lights in the parking area at the base of the mountain.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**: The Mayor told Council he is meeting with the Recreation Board and Fire Department to review their membership, finances and needs in the near future.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**: Atty. Menn noted that formal documents need to be prepared in conjunction with the establishment of the Laurel Run Sewer Authority.

Shandra gave Steve the letter listed on the correspondence, number 2. He is speaking with P.J. McLaine tomorrow and will bring it to his attention to make sure it will be addressed.

A motion to accept the report was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**CORRESPONDENCE**: A motion to accept the correspondence was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

**OLD BUSINESS**: Council urged the audience to help in filling the three vacant seats on the Planning Commission and the two vacant seats on the Zoning Board. Al Bonk and Paul Smarsh's prior applications will be considered at next month's meeting.

A motion to accept Davis, Gregory and Kyle's insurance proposals for the upcoming year was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

A motion to adjourn was made by Gloria Mosley, seconded by Shandra Kisailus.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Pockevich  
Secretary