

**MINUTES**  
**BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**  
**May 7, 2018**  
**7:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ben Thomas, Council President Frank Webster Jr., Council Members, James Farley, Duane Kinzer, Steve Miller, Craig Myers, Larry Faight and Matthew Smith. Also present were Borough Manager Eden Ratliff, Borough Esquire Zachary Rice, and Administrative Secretary Kalli Yoder.

President Webster called the meeting to order at 7:02p.m.

Pastor David Rawley gave the invocation.

President Webster led the pledge of allegiance.

President Webster announced that Council had held two executive sessions, one at 8:10p.m. on Monday April 2, 2018 and one prior to this meeting at 6:00p.m. to discuss matters of personnel and ongoing litigation.

**Opportunity to be Heard:**

President Webster introduced Borough Esquire Zachary Rice and stated that the public would have a limit of five minutes each to discuss the proposal of the Pine Lane Vacation Ordinance, after Rice summarized the ordinance. Rice summarized the Pine Lane Ordinance before beginning the public hearing which is held to comply with code.

AJ Benchoff of 100 Walnut Street of Cornfield and Benchoff spoke on behalf of Jim Laye. Benchoff stated that he hoped a countersign settlement agreement is allowed. Rice clarified that the agreement had been signed and Webster confirmed.

On a Kinzer/ Faight motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to approve the ordinance to vacate Pine Lane.

Sam Folley of 10179 Lutzburg Road, with the non-profit Grandma's Mission Angels stated that he was approached at an event over the weekend by Councilmember Craig Myer's in what he expressed he felt was an unprofessional manner. Folley asked Myers if they could speak regarding the event at a later date, however Myers felt the situation was unsafe and wanted to address it. Later at the event, Councilmember Kinzer introduced himself to Folley and invited him to the meeting to speak.

Jerry Mart of 61 W Madison Street stated that his family was helped by Grandma's Mission Angels organization and did not agree with the event being stopped.

Myers addressed the situation and said that this was a safety issue, and he was trying to find who was in charge of the event because it was at an unsafe intersection. Myers clarified that he was not attempting to stop the event, he was trying to connect in regards to next year's event to find a safer location for it.

Dustin Beaver of 13555 Williamsport Pike stated that the organization contacted the police as traffic was a concern from the beginning for them. Beaver commented that they had the approval and therefore their hands were tied regarding safety. Beaver brought up that the wine and beer fest happens on the

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same road every year on the other side of the road.

Myers clarified again that the event they put on was a good thing and that he was only trying to find a way to make it safer for everyone involved.

Mayor Thomas ended the discussion by asking Beaver to leave his contact information for a later date.

Kinzer, Webster and Farley all thanked those in attendance from the organization for what they did.

Larry Pittman of 35 W Madison Street addressed the conditions of underpasses on Franklin and Route 16. He has noticed big chunks of concrete, etc and said he addressed this with previous Borough Manager Susan Armstrong two years ago.

Ratliff stated that they were inspected last year, but he will follow up to make sure the conditions have not changed since.

Robert Wertime of 207 Leitersburg Street mentioned that the rainy season is coming and asked if the Borough is looking into getting a drain system and if anything has moved forward regarding that.

Ratliff commented that the Public Facilities Committee explored how to litigate Baltimore Street and the Orchards, they have come up with some new ideas that should be decided upon this month. They will make plans available during the next meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*The following is a list of routine items which do not appear to be controversial in nature and which likely do not require additional discussion. They can be acted on by one motion in their current form. If discussion is desired on any particular item, any member of Council, or the public, may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda and that item will be considered separately.*

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Ratliff clarified that some adjustments pointed out by members of Council and the Mayor were made accordingly. On a Farley/Faight motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to approve.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Payment of bills**

On a Kinzer/Smith motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to approve disbursements listed on the April 2018 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$91,466.85

**Reports from Elected Officials**

**President's Report**

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President Webster encouraged the community to get out and vote this election season.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Thomas reviewed his attached report and requested that the Borough Council authorize a grant application for bulletproof vest partnership with US. Department of Justice as budgeted. President Webster stated that this is a phenomenal program, and one way to get some assistance. On a Faight/Farley motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to approve the grant application.

Thomas asked Scott Crum to join him at the podium and announced a proclamation that May 2018 is motorcycle safety awareness month, and read the proclamation to those in attendance of the meeting.

After Thomas finished his report he urged everyone to attend the Memorial Day Parade.

**Chief's Report**

Police Chief Phillippy read his attached report.

**Manager's Report**

Manager Ratliff read his attached report. He encouraged the public to complete a survey at franklincountylrtp as it is being used by a subcommittee of the metropolitan planning organization to build the LRTP as well as used as a decision making tool for spending PennDOT money. Ratliff also encouraged attendance at committee meetings. Ratliff noted that the war memorial piece is missing because it is away for repair, unfortunately, it will probably not be back by Memorial Day.

Wade Burkholder asked if there was any more discussion of putting the overhead utilities underground like Waynesboro.

Ratliff responded that it is very expensive, not impossible but extremely difficult.

Robert Wertime asked if there is any update on minutes.

Ratliff stated that the office is working to update the phone system and the website and that there have been challenges with uploading minutes but that the office is working to make that happen until we switch to a new site.

**1. Administration & Finance:**

On a Kinzer/Farley motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to approve the authorization of an account adjustment to the AC&T Sewer bill in the amount of \$1,226.84 for water consumed and not treated by the sewer system as recommended by the manager.

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**2. Personnel:**

None.

**3. Public Safety:**

None.

**4. Public Facilities:**

On a Faight/Myers motion the Council unanimously voted to approve and authorize a handicap parking placard to be place on Grant Street as recommended by the Public Facilities Committee.

On a Miller/Faight motion the Council unanimously voted to approve to award the 2018 paving program bid to Ganoë Paving, the lower bidder, in the amount of \$142,588.71 contingent upon PennDOT approval as recommended by the Borough Manager, Borough Engineer and Administration and Finance Committee.

**5. Community Development:**

On a Smith/Farley motion the Borough Council unanimously voted to consider a request submitted by Mockingbirdhil, Inc. for a public right of way subdivision plan for property located on Grant Stret and N Washington Street as recommended by the Community Development Committee and Borough of Greencastle Planning Commission.

**6. Correspondence:**

Miller made comments that required no action.

Smith made no comment.

Farley made no comment.

Mayor Thomas made no comment.

Kinzer requested of the Mayor that the DARE program be put on the next agenda.

Faight made no comment.

Myers made no comment.

Ratliff made no comment.

Yoder made no comment.

Rice made no comment.

**Adjourn**

Respectfully submitted,

Eden R. Ratliff,  
Borough Manager