

**MINUTES**  
**BROOKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, March 20, 2018 @ 7:00 P.M.**

The Brookville Borough Council met in the large conference room on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance:

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Phil Hynes  
Bill Kutz  
Karen Allgeier  
Dave Ferringer  
Ken King  
Rick Baughman  
Randy Bartley  
Dalynn Park

**STAFF**

Manager Dana D. Schreckengost  
Mayor Richard Beck  
Police Chief Vince Markle  
Public Works Director -  
Dave Vallosio  
Zoning and Health Officer -  
Emerson Turnbull  
Code Enforcement Officer -  
Donald Jonischek  
Recorder Christine Gunning  
Solicitor Jim Dennison

**VISITOR/MEDIA**

Joy Norwood  
John Pozza  
Rose James  
Scott Shindledecker  
Sandra Snyder  
Don Musgrave  
Ryan Porter  
Damien Porter  
Austin Fields

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Phil Hynes called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES (March 6, 2018):**

President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to approve the minutes of the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as submitted; seconded by Vice-President Bill Kutz. Motion carried 7-0.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

- A. Approval of Expenditures** – The current bills were presented for approval. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to approve the bills as submitted; seconded by Vice-President Bill Kutz. Motion carried 7-0.
- B. Fund Level Financial Statements** – President Phil Hynes stated if anyone had questions about the financial statements summary in the agenda packet, Manager Dana D. Schreckengost and President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier are available.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- A. Austin Fields – Jefferson County History Center** – Austin Fields from the Jefferson County History Center stated recently the History Center with the help of Carole Briggs has gotten a historical marker to be placed in the Borough of Brookville. Austin Fields stated the marker commemorates the life of Doctor William James McKnight, who was a doctor, soldier, historian and businessman. Austin Fields stated he participated in the grave robbing of Henry Sutherland, and he is also widely known for his help with the adoption of the Pennsylvania

Anatomy Act of 1883. Austin Fields stated this act helped facilitate bodies for medical education. Austin Fields stated Doctor William James McKnight opened a drug store on Brookville's Main Street, and he also was a State Senator from 1881 to 1885. Austin Fields stated he hopes Council will vote for this historical marker to be placed in the vicinity of the Courthouse Grille and Pub. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved approval of Austin Fields' request pending the owners agreement with the state to install the sign there; seconded by Vice-President Bill Kutz. Motion carried 7-0. President Phil Hynes thanked Austin Fields for his presentation.

## **REPORTS:**

### **Chief of Police**

- A. **Threats to Schools** – Police Chief Vince Markle stated in the last week and a half there were ten threats to our schools. Police Chief Vince Markle stated six of those resulted in arrests. Police Chief Vince Markle reported four of them were younger kids. Police Chief Vince Markle stated two kids got sent away to placement.
- B. **Tragedy at Laurelbrooke** – Police Chief Vince Markle stated Saturday night a worker at Laurelbrooke was attacked by an animal. Police Chief Vince Markle stated the Pennsylvania Game Commission has set traps. Police Chief Vince Markle stated they are trying to entice that animal to get to a certain location so we can take a look at it and possibly deal with it. Police Chief Vince Markle stated they had a siting this morning. President Phil Hynes asked if they are working with the game commission, and Police Chief Vince Markle stated they are. Police Chief Vince Markle reported the victim received a blood transfusion, 18 stitches, rabies shots, and will have plastic surgery in the near future. Police Chief Vince Markle reported the victim was back working today. Vice-President Bill Kutz stated he spoke with the mother of the lady who was attacked and she was very happy with how the police handled it, so kudos to you guys. Police Chief Vince Markle thanked him.

**Director of Public Works** – Public Works Director Dave Vallosio stated all work orders are current, and his crew will be going back to regular shift on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Member Dave Ferringer asked how the overtime was this winter, and Public Works Director Dave Vallosio stated there was more than previous years.

**Zoning/Health Officer** – No Report

**Code Enforcement Officer** – No Report

### **Committee Reports**

#### **A. Finance Committee**

- 1. **New Police Vehicle** – Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated the Committee met twice regarding the new police vehicle. Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated the recommendation from the Committee is to fund the police vehicle as submitted by Chief Markle,

including car three with the upgrade and move forward. President Phil Hynes stated that is a recommendation from the Finance Committee. President Phil Hynes asked Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier if all of the Council Members have the figures on that. Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated the cost of the police interceptor sport utility is \$28,633.00, the T-Force accessories which are the bars and the things that make it look like a police car cost \$10,271.00, the WatchGuard camera system and the Patrol Rhino M1 computer come in at \$5,441.95 and \$537.00 totaling \$49,036.00. Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated it will be an additional \$10,000.00 to upgrade car three with the new computer system, the dash mount kit, and the camera. Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated the grand total prior to the donation from the Eagles is \$59,168.00. Finance Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated you can subtract that donation as well as the donation from Tammy and Abby Miller's fund raiser, and we will be moving on and getting the car upgraded as well as getting a new 2018 police interceptor on the road. President Phil Hynes stated that is coming from Committee, and we have been able to find these funds in the budget due to some under-expenditures from last year. President Phil Hynes asked all Council Members in favor of the motion as presented to signify by saying 'aye'. Motion carried 7-0. Police Chief Vince Markle reported within a month they should have their new vehicle. President Phil Hynes thanked the community and the Eagles Club for their donations.

## **Solicitor – No Report**

### **Borough Manager**

#### **A. Special Event Permits**

1. **WRC Event** - Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated we have a special event permit for a WRC event on May 25<sup>th</sup> at Laurelbrooke Landing. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated this event is on private property, and they are just notifying us of an increased number of people on the property for this event. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to approve the special event permit for the WRC event on May 25<sup>th</sup> as presented; seconded by Member Rick Baughman. Motion carried 7-0.
2. **YMCA's Run/Walk** – Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated we have a special event permit for the YMCA's Run/Walk 'Share the Love' on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated they will use the same path as last year, and all authorized signatures have signed off on this. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to approve the special event permit for the YMCA's Run/Walk 'Share the Love' as presented; seconded by Member Dave Ferringer. Motion carried 7-0.
3. **YMCA Bike Race** – Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated we have a special event permit for a sponsorship by Brookville's YMCA for a bike race during the Laurel Festival. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated this will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 to 11:00 A.M. which includes the

registration time. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated the event is from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to approve the special event permit for the bike race on June 23<sup>rd</sup> as submitted; seconded by Vice-President Bill Kutz. Motion carried 7-0.

4. **Friends of the Flag** – Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated we have a special event permit for Friends of the Flag, the motorcycle event, on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 A.M. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated the motorcycle parade will leave the Firemens Club and head through town towards Clarion. Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated this has been approved by all authorized signers. Member Randy Bartley moved to approve the special event permit for the Friends of the Flag motorcycle event on June 3<sup>rd</sup> as presented; seconded by President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. **Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) Conference** – Manager Dana D. Schreckengost stated the PSAB Conference will take place in Hershey from June 10<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>, and asked Council Members to let her know if they would like to attend.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENTS:**

- A. **Junior Council Member Dalynn Park** – Junior Council Member Dalynn Park thanked the community for their support of the music program in school, and thanked Police Chief Vince Markle and the Police Department for their work on making the school safe.
- B. **Mayor Richard Beck** – Mayor Richard Beck thanked everyone for coming to tonight's meeting, and stated that even though he is in charge of the Police Department, he still wants to thank the Police Department for all they are doing for the school and this animal assault.
- C. **Member Rick Baughman** – Member Rick Baughman thanked Austin Fields for his presentation, and thanked the Finance Committee for their diligence on getting the police cruiser taken care of.
- D. **Member Randy Bartley** – Member Randy Bartley stated he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Historical Society, and he knows how hard Austin Fields has worked on this grant. Member Randy Bartley complimented Police Chief Vince Markle and stated his actions have confirmed the wisdom of this Council in appointing you Chief. Police Chief Vince Markle thanked him.
- E. **Member Ken King** – Member Ken King stated he echoes the Mayor's comments about the police force, and commended Austin Fields on his presentation.
- F. **Member Dave Ferringer** – Member Dave Ferringer stated Austin Fields did a fine job with his presentation. Member Dave Ferringer stated he would like to commend the Brookville Fire Company, Code Enforcement, the Health

Officer, Police Chief Vince Markle and his officers, and Public Works Director Dave Vallosio and his crew. Member Dave Ferringer stated it is a team effort, and he is happy to see the progress we are making.

- G. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier** – President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier gave kudos to Police Chief Vince Markle, and thanked him for all the information he gave to the Finance Committee. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier stated Public Works Director Dave Vallosio and his crew did a great job, and she hopes we do not get any more snow. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier gave Austin Fields two thumbs up, and thanked Boy Scout Troop 64 for coming to tonight's meeting.
- H. Vice-President Bill Kutz** – Vice-President Bill Kutz stated Austin Fields gave a very interesting presentation, and the McKnight Building is where the Courthouse Grille is. Vice-President Bill Kutz commended Police Chief Vince Markle, and stated the mother of the woman who was attacked was very happy with how you and your officers handled that.
- I. President Phil Hynes** – President Phil Hynes stated he appreciates the Boy Scouts being here. President Phil Hynes stated they do not have to ask permission to attend, and they are welcome any time. President Phil Hynes stated next month we will use the new format for Council meetings. President Phil Hynes stated the first meeting of the month will be just like this. President Phil Hynes stated at the second meeting, we will convene the meeting, pay bills, take care of any business that is needed but we will not have department head reports, and we will adjourn without comments from Council to committee meetings. President Phil Hynes stated the press is welcome to attend all the meetings. President Phil Hynes asked the media if they had any questions.

#### **MEDIA COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATION:**

- A. John Pozza – Action at the Second Borough Council Meeting of the Month** – Reporter John Pozza asked if Council will know after the first meeting if there will likely be action at the second meeting. President Phil Hynes stated Council can take action at both meetings. Solicitor Jim Dennison stated there is no way Council could know definitely if action will be taken.
- B. Sandra Snyder – Threats to Schools** – Brookville resident Sandra Snyder asked Police Chief Vince Markle if any action was taken on the four younger kids. Police Chief Vince Markle stated they were suspended from school. Police Chief Vince Markle stated one kid in kindergarten threatened to kill a police officer.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to adjourn; seconded by Vice-President Bill Kutz. Motion carried 7-0 at 7:29 P.M.

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Borough Manager