

MINUTES
BROOKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday May 18, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

The Brookville Borough Council met in the large conference room on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance:

<u>COUNCIL MEMBERS</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>VISITOR/MEDIA</u>
Mayor Richard Beck	Manager Dana Rooney	Alex Nelson
Phil Hynes	Police Chief Vince Markle	Janine Strohm
Karen Allgeier	Solicitor Jim Dennison	Seth Kerr
Randy Bartley		
Ken King		
David Taylor		
Lucy Ames – via Zoom		

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 (May 4, 2021):

Vice-President Karen Allgeier moved to approve the minutes of the May 4th meeting as submitted; seconded by Member Ken King. Motion carried 6-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. Approval of Expenditures** – The current bills were presented for approval. President Phil Hynes asked if there were any additions or questions, and there were none. Vice-President Karen Allgeier moved to approve the bills as submitted; seconded by Second Vice-President Randy Bartley. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS:

Committee Reports

A. Personnel Committee

1. **Executive Session** – Personnel Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated the Personnel Committee requested an executive session for personnel, and if we want to put this off to the end of the meeting, we can do that. Personnel Committee Chair Karen Allgeier stated she does not believe there will be any action taken. President Phil Hynes stated he thinks we will move it to the end of the meeting if that is o.k. with everyone. Council Members in general agreed this would be o.k.

Solicitor

- A. **Laurel Festival Letter** – Solicitor Jim Dennison stated the Laurel Festival applied for a permit to close down Main Street during their festival. Solicitor Jim Dennison stated PennDOT denied the permit, and they are requesting from all municipalities that want to do this, a letter from the Borough agreeing to indemnify and hold harmless the commonwealth and its agencies from any lawsuits that may be caused by the Laurel Festival. Solicitor Jim Dennison stated he prepared a letter, but he thinks it should require some action at the meeting tonight, and if you do not do it then there is no festival on Main Street. After some discussion, Member David Taylor made a motion to approve the letter Solicitor Jim Dennison prepared that PennDOT requested in which the Borough agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the commonwealth and its agencies from any lawsuits that may be caused by the Laurel Festival; seconded by Vice-President Karen Allgeier. Motion carried 6-0.

Borough Manager

- A. **Jenks Street Bridge Lighting** – Manager Dana Rooney stated we got a request that whenever the state redoes the Jenks Street bridges, they asked if we wanted to have lights included under those bridges. Manager Dana Rooney stated they would put them in up front, and then it would turn over to the municipality to maintain and pay for the electricity to those. Vice-President Karen Allgeier stated she does not think it is necessary, so she would say no. After some discussion, Vice-President Karen Allgeier made a motion that we do not put lights under the Jenks Street bridges, and notify PennDOT as such; seconded by Second Vice-President Randy Bartley. Motion carried 6-0.
- B. **Liquor License Request** – Manager Dana Rooney stated Council also got a letter from the French Law P.C. representing Good Fellows in the Courthouse Grille and Pub relative to their Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) license. Manager Dana Rooney stated they want to extend their liquor license at the café to include the seating on Main Street. Manager Dana Rooney stated there are just a couple of tables that they have outside. Manager Dana Rooney stated they have to have our permission before they can reach out to the Liquor Control Board for themselves. Manager Dana Rooney stated they are asking just for the tables, not for them to be able to walk around or anything of that nature. Manager Dana Rooney stated they are not looking to serve a true bar out on the street, just if those people who are dining at outside tables wish to have a drink, they would like to be able to provide that. After some discussion, Vice-President Karen Allgeier made a motion to deny the liquor license request; seconded by Second Vice-President Randy Bartley. Motion carried 6-0.
- C. **Grants** – Manager Dana Rooney stated she wanted to clarify the grant that we announced. Manager Dana Rooney stated we did get the master site plan grant, which is good for a master site plan of Longview Park which would be

the swimming pool study, and also Main Street. Manager Dana Rooney stated so the total grant funds we got are \$64,375.00, and we would have a local match of \$18,125.00 which a portion of that would come from Historic Brookville Incorporated (H.B.I.) that they pledged at their last meeting. Manager Dana Rooney stated so that grant that we got is for both master site plans. Member David Taylor asked what the total project cost is, and Manager Dana Rooney stated \$82,550.00. Manager Dana Rooney stated you are not allowed to begin work until July 1, 2021 and it is good through June 30, 2023. President Phil Hynes stated H.B.I. has requested that we have a meeting between Council and H.B.I. to do some preliminary planning on the Main Street portion of the grant. President Phil Hynes stated we previously had a committee addressing this which was Second Vice-President Randy Bartley, Member David Taylor, and Vice- President Karen Allgeier – but Dave, you are representing H.B.I., right? Member David Taylor stated not in this case, and stated he is not on the H.B.I. Committee. After some discussion, President Phil Hynes stated he is putting Vice-President Karen Allgeier, Second Vice-President Randy Bartley, and Member David Taylor on the committee to meet with H.B.I. to do preliminary planning on the Main Street portion of the grant. Manager Dana Rooney stated the next step would be to release an official request for proposal (RFP) to do a study and her recommendation would be to separate the two projects, and if you pick the same firm to do both, great, but if you do not, that is fine too.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

MEDIA COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATION:

- A. **Alex Nelson – Longview Park** – Reporter Alex Nelson asked what will go in Longview Park. Manager Dana Rooney stated we do not know yet, that is what the study is for. Vice-President Karen Allgeier stated we are hoping for it to be a pool, a pickle ball court, a basketball court, a splash pad, new playground, and a new pavilion. Vice-President Karen Allgeier stated that is what we are envisioning. Vice-President Karen Allgeier stated what that is going to look like will be up to what comes out in the request for proposal (RFP) after the public has their input, as well as what the designer comes up with.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Brookville Borough Council entered an executive session at 7:20 P.M. for a personnel matter with no action expected. Executive session ended at 7:40 P.M. with no action taken.

RECESS:

Vice-President Karen Allgeier made a motion to recess the meeting until Tuesday, May 25th at 7:00 P.M.; seconded by Member David Taylor. Motion carried 6-0 at 7:41 P.M. President Phil Hynes stated now the Finance Committee will meet with the Library about a request.

RECONVENEMENT:

Borough Council reconvened the May 18th meeting on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the large conference room with the following people in attendance:

MEMBERS

Mayor Richard Beck
Phil Hynes
Karen Allgeier
Randy Bartley
David Taylor
Lucy Ames – via Zoom

STAFF

Manager Dana Rooney
Solicitor Jim Dennison

MEDIA

Alex Nelson

CALL TO ORDER:

President Phil Hynes called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and stated the first order of business is an executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Brookville Borough Council entered an executive session at 7:00 P.M. for a personnel matter with possible action. Executive session ended at 7:10 P.M. with the following action taken:

Vice-President Karen Allgeier made a motion coming from committee to approve entering into an employee settlement agreement. President Phil Hynes stated since this motion is coming from committee, no second is needed. President Phil Hynes asked all Council Members in favor of this motion coming from committee to say ‘aye’. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vice-President Karen Allgeier moved to adjourn at 7:10 P.M.; seconded by Member David Taylor. Motion carried 5-0.

Borough Manager

