

MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of Dover Borough Council was held at Borough Hall, 46 Butter Road on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 7:00 pm. All members were present. President Kroft called the meeting to order. There was a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The June 3rd 2019 minutes were reviewed. Mr. Sabold suggested adding Mr. to Bledsoe on page 2, paragraph 3. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the June 3, 2019 minutes with the addition. Mr. Slusser seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chief Dettinger provided the fire company report.

- They responded to 23 calls in June. Ten of those calls were in the borough with no losses.
- Chief Dettinger brought attention to the meeting date change from July 4th to July 11th.
- The July calendar was reviewed. Mr. Sabold made the motion to approve the activities on the July calendar. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and it carried.

EMA report – Mr. Pope was absent and there was no report.

Mr. Staub, who is the Joint Comprehensive Plan project manager from HRG Associates, was present and gave a presentation of the work that has been done so far. There have been several phases of the project. The first was awareness and outreach to try to get people aware of what is going on. There is a survey on the Dover Borough, Dover Township and the Comprehensive Plan website where people can give their input. Mr. Staub met with and gathered information from some non-profit groups, recreational providers, fire departments, EMS, the business association and the Borough and Township engineers. There was a kick-off meeting in February. The leadership committee has been working since then to create themes and strategies for the future. These were vetted at the two meetings in May. There were workshops to look at the strategies and themes and give feedback. They are still open for discussion and are part of the survey. Currently they are building capacity for implementation. The previous plan was comprehensive and had a lot of detail but only one or two items were implemented. The new plan will be an implementable plan with specific items that the community will move forward with. There was a recent meeting with the Dover school district and in addition to tonight's meeting Mr. Staub will meet with Dover Township to look at items we would want to work together with or items we would not. York County Economic Alliance will also be giving input regarding economic development. Next month he will be meeting with the engineers to discuss public facilities and then the recreational providers. In September the draft plan should be out for review and discussion. There will be two public meetings in September. The plan would then need to be adopted. Mr. Staub handed out a fact sheet and shared some statistics/trends that were found. The anticipated growth by 2030 is another 5,383 people. Things to consider are housing, student debt and the senior population. An economic development that could occur is the proposed interchange on I-83 which may have some impacts on Canal Road. The new UPMC Hospital may bring some medical offices to the area. In regards to education, redistricting of students will be necessary. Unfortunately the school district has one of the lowest number of graduating students and lowest rate of post-high school education. They also have one of the highest number of mental health issues and the highest use of drugs and alcohol behind York City. Fifty percent of the students qualify for free or reduced lunch rates. Every Friday, backpacks of food for the weekend are sent home with 300-400 students from mostly elementary schools. Junior and senior high students are often too embarrassed to participate in that program. A grant was received to be able to offer a food program for the kids through the summer months. Infrastructure and transportation are issues but the Borough has a lot of sidewalks which helps. The park systems lack connectivity with local neighborhoods and they mainly serve the athletic clubs. Mr. Staub met with the athletic clubs and they all realize they are doing things separately. If they join together it would eliminate a lot of duplication of efforts. There is a lack of adult programming in the area. Some of the historical aspects that were in the previous plan are effective. One thing that was recommended which wasn't

implemented was to establish a historical review board but he feels this isn't really necessary. There are over 30 active non-profit and recreational clubs in the area, but there is a shortage of volunteers for them to carry out their goals. The community has indicated that Dover Township, Dover Borough and the school district should be working together more. The one thing Mr. Staub has heard many times since this project has started is that the Township wants to annex the Borough. He stated the Township does not have any interest in annexing the Borough. They each have some issues they need to resolve on their own but there are opportunities for them to work together. Mr. Staub stated if we work together we will have more knowledge which will benefit the community. We can work to create consistent growth. The themes and strategies that came out of these meetings are possible regional recreational sports committee; possible collaboration between fire services since they are working to resolve past differences; community preservation and communication. There is a great resource at Dover Township. Nathan Stone who is the IT person at the Township has created the joint comprehensive plan video and made automated phone calls to share meeting details. There is some duplication of efforts between organizations trying to do the same thing. These groups could work together. Infrastructure items could be combined to accomplish a better contract. The last plan had a Borough section, a Township section and a regional section. This time they will be combined. What are concerns of working together? I don't trust that person, fear of losing authority, fear of losing identity, fear of the unknown and fear of who will benefit and get the credit? The community wants you to do what is best for them. A questionnaire was given to council.

Elaine Kroft from 13 E. Canal Street was present and asked what the criteria are for vehicles that are unlicensed and uninspected. How long are they allowed to sit before something is done with them? Council advised Mr. Bledsoe in situations like this to send a letter with a time line, then call the Regional Police to handle it. If there is no action, go to the Magistrates office if needed. As far as the weed and grass issues, a letter should be sent and then taken to the Magistrates office if there is no action. Mr. Herrold advised to file as a civil action or as criminal action depending on what the ordinance provides.

Daryl Auman from 63 N. Main Street was present about the weeds throughout the Borough and stated there are weeds behind his home that are two feet high. There are a lot of rental properties and it is ultimately the responsibility of the landlords to take care of this. Mr. Herrold explained that once a resident is put on notice of the ordinance the next time it happens we can go directly to the Magistrate. An enforcement notice needs to be sent with a certain amount of time to comply. They have the right to appeal to the Zoning Hearing Board. If they fail to comply or appeal it then we can go directly to the Magistrate to file a civil complaint requesting a fine for the violation of the ordinance.

SEWER

Public Works Report – Nothing to add

Engineer's Report – Mr. Spangler reported that Shrewsbury Borough finished the sewer line televising. He reviewed the DVD's. He is proposing some sewer lining for this year and is looking at doing all of Willow Drive and a portion of Maplewood Drive. The lateral between manhole 215 and 216 on Maplewood Drive should be replaced since some root growth is starting. Adding this to the previous area discussed would estimate at an additional \$10,000. Throughout Delwood there are about nine other laterals with root growth that need to be replaced. This section could be lined at a later time. There is an area with sag and also a joint with roots starting. Mr. Spangler is estimating that work to be about \$95,000. At the end of Dogwood Drive there are four houses all coming into the same lateral. Mr. Spangler suggested thinking about installing another manhole at the end of the cul-de-sac to then tie that lateral into the main. He can get an estimate submitted to budget this for early next year.

Solicitor's Report – Nothing to report

Old Business & New Business – None

WATER

Public Works Report – President Kroft questioned the water tower water level. Mr. Grim stated it is not completely filled. We are waiting for the DEP approval to put it back online. I will be filled further at that time.

Engineer's Report – Nothing to report

Solicitor's Report – Nothing to report

Old Business & New Business – None

BOROUGH

Public Works Report – Mrs. Koch commented that when the street sweeping was done a lot of cars did not move off the street so some areas did not get done.

Zoning Manager's Report – Mrs. Koch suggested adding tree trimming to the notice Mr. Bledsoe is sending out.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Spangler reported that Restuccia Excavating finished the water drainage repair at Ketterman Park. There will need to be some maintenance done to keep the dirt and grass out of the grate and drain pipe so it does not clog. He presented a recommendation of payment for \$5,900.00. Mr. Sabold made a motion to pay Restuccia Excavating \$5,900.00 for the repair at Ketterman Park. Ms. Bishop seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mr. Spangler has had conversations with several contractors regarding street work. Some are too busy, cannot get bonding or the job is too small. Mr. Spangler handed out pictures of the deteriorating culvert that is on Willow Run Road. Meadow Road was also checked but there was water sitting in the pipe so he could not see the condition but is guessing it will be the same. This could also be bid with the street work to do a bigger project for next year. The liquid fuels money can be carried over to next year in order to do this.

Mr. Spangler gave an update on the current high school renovation project. They are looking at tearing down a small portion of it and putting an addition on. The high school sits on five or six parcels. They are doing a reverse subdivision to join them all into one piece of land. Mr. Spangler let them know if that's what they are doing he prefers to see a land development plan for the building addition. In the near future we will see a plan submitted for this.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Herrold is still waiting to hear back from the Dover School District solicitor about the sublease agreement. The Hazardous Mitigation Plan with York County is due to be renewed. Mr. Herrold explained this is a county wide plan and is renewed every five years. If there are problems such as flooding, we can apply to the Federal Government for grants for damages. If we do not go with the County plan then we have to have our own plan in place. That would be too costly to do alone. Mr. Sabold made a motion to adopt Resolution # 2019-08 to be a part of the York County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Spangler and Mr. Herrold left the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Hernley met with York Revolution. They contacted him about doing a Dover Day Out. They have set the date for September 8, 2019. Half of the proceeds will go to New Hope Ministries Dover Center. The tickets are \$27 and include all you can eat buffet and game ticket. The events between innings will have all Dover residents selected for those events. President Kroft will be throwing out the first pitch. There will also be a van available for non-perishable donations for the food bank. These tickets need to be ordered ahead of time, and they will not be available at the door. Mayor Hernley also met with Deputy Chief Lash and they are going to start having an officer join in the Sunday evening walks around the Borough to have more contact with residents to meet and greet and find out what all is going on.

Police Report – President Kroft reported from May 2018 to May 2019 there was a decrease by two calls which brings us to a year to date decrease of 11. We are one of three municipalities that are down on calls. A second resource officer will be added to the Dover School District and a second one to Spring Grove School District. North Codorus Township is moving forward to adopt NYCRPD. The other three regions within Southwest Regional Police have contacted them to meet for more information. Chief Bentzel states that 57% of municipalities use State Police but Municipal and Regional Police cover 70% of residence.

National Night Out will be Tuesday August 6, 2019. President Kroft asked for approval for the Fire Company to fill the dunk tank for this event. Mr. Slusser made a motion to approve the Fire Company to fill the dunk tank for National Night Out on behalf of NYCRPD. Mr. Sabold seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Recreation Board Report – Ms. Stitley reported the new date for Sundaes in the Park is July 21, 2019.

Ambulance Club Report – Mr. Raffensberger was absent and there was nothing to add to the report.

Secretary's Report – Nothing to add.

Treasurer's Report - Ms. Snyder made a motion to accept the Treasurers report as presented. Mr. Ferry seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mrs. Plowman confirmed that last month's Treasurer Report was complete as presented.

Old Business – Council requested Mr. Slusser contact Chris Hake regarding the removal of the goal posts at Ketterman Park. The baseball team had a delivery of stone for under their shed but is still in a pile. This was two weeks ago and council would like to see the shed placement move forward.

Ms. Snyder thanked council for the planter that was sent for her father's memorial service.

Ms. Bishop asked about the curb paint at Meadow and Butter Roads for sight distance. Mr. Grim states it is there but is faded.

New Business - None

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Ferry made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Slusser. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Plowman
Secretary/Treasurer