

Borough of Modena
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 4, 2019

1. Call to order

Vice President Jennifer Daywalt called to order a regular monthly meeting, of the Borough of Modena Council at 7pm on Monday February 4, 2019

2. Salute to the flag

3. Roll Call

Victoria Cloud, Secretary, conducted roll call. The following were present: Beau Tilghman, Liz Stinton, Jennifer Daywalt, Paul Wilkinson, Blaise Frost, Mayor Antoinette Johnson. Absent were Chris Corle and Clayton Ayers.

4. Approval of Minutes

Liz made a motion to accept the December 4, 2018 minutes with one correction, Beau 2nd, all were in favor. Beau made a motion to accept the December 11, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes, Liz 2nd, all were in favor.

5. Public Comment

Bernie Dawson-McLennan was present to advise Council that she is cleaning up her home on So. Brandywine; give her time. Fred Sinton of Fred's garage on Union ST. was present just to listen to what goes on at a Borough Council Meeting. Donald Dodd's who lives on Mary St. also present to hear what goes on at a Council Meeting.

6. Reports

6.1 Treasurer's Report

Beau made a motion to accept the Treasurers reports from December 2018 and January 2019. Liz 2nd, all were in favor.

6.2 Payment of Bills

As discussed, with some budget alerts from Treasurer Deb. Liz made a motion to pay the bills. Beau 2nd, all were in favor.

6.3 Police and Fire Departments

Calls are up in the Borough; domestic. Chief stated that Borough can use So. Coatesville's electronic speed enforcer in the springtime. The report is download from the machine for review. Study will be done on Meredith Ct., So. Brandywine, Union and Hephzibah Hill.

6.4 Sewer Flow report

Butch's report stated that Pipe Data must come into the Borough and view the lines for breaks, cracks and residents having illegal sub pumps. Council all agrees. Paul made a motion for Butch to set up an appointment with them and oversee their findings. Beau 2nd, all were in favor.

6.5 Code Enforcement Report

Dave Wallace stated that 3 Union St., Jim Morrison would like to propose to council his vision of a laundry mat. This is a TC-2 area which would work. Mr. Morrison is in agreeance to pay \$550 to recoup LTL's time for the court continuance.

Dave added that 21 Woodland should be billed for the fire Department call and when Joe G had to lock up this home from the incident there in December. Tori will work on this. Lastly Dave said that 18 Union has been 'tagged' numerous times for fallen trees on road, abundance of trash build up, bulk items just sitting in plain view – suggests the Borough should fine them!

7. Council and Committee Reports

1. President Report

VP Jen Daywalt wants council to all 'work together as a team'. Council may call/text Jen for anything they need to talk about! At this time Clayton should be stress free and not to be bothered. Jen is having daily contact with Clayton on Borough issues.

2. Secretary Report

Borough's website is live. Clarification will be emailed to Council on whose seat is up for re-election. Fidelity's invoice to the Borough stands at \$2610.00 – checking with Deb on available funds.

3. Mayor Report

Mayor Johnson distributed a report on how all/borough needs to commit to a 'Structure and Committee Reorganization'. **New committees need to approve are:**

-Planning & Zoning (combine)

-Civil Service

-Ordinance Review Board

-Finance Committee

Each committee must is required to schedule meeting as per guidelines, submit a written report to the Mayor and requires a Council Chair with 3-5 members.

Blaise made a motion to create these committees, Beau 2nd, all were in favor.

See your paperwork on the present committees and chairs.

Committees that require a Council Chair are:

Health & Housing

Streets

Sewer; needs assistance until Clayton returns

4. CRP Grant Report

Blaise submitted a report for review. Still some follow up needed to do with Louis Berger and the county. Blaise will contact, then advise council at next month's meeting.

5. Streets Committee Report

No report submitted

6. Health and Housing

Mortonville water runoff has been happening for many, many years. Underground water springs/streams need to run downhill then crosses the street into the field. There is nothing to be done to fix this.

7. Parks & Recreation

Jen spoke about events scheduled for a Community Cleanup day on April 13th, 9a to 1pm. She is making arrangements with the local Boy Scouts to help out in the park by painting the shed, installing the basketballs poles/net, general clean up. This will also be advertised on FB and the Borough's website so the residents can be involved. Council members are encouraged to volunteer. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt the next day April 14th, 2pm to 4pm. Jen requested \$70 from the P&R account to buy one thousand Easter eggs to use that day. Beau made a motion for the funds requested, Liz 2nd, all were in favor. More details at next council meeting.

8. Sewer Committee Report

Addressed earlier with Butch's report

9. Historic Committee

John Graves attended a Leadership luncheon at West Whiteland Township. Their Historical commission meets quarterly for discussion. It was determined that Modena's commission would need to compose of 1 Council Rep., 1 resident and a few volunteers.

John also met with the Brandywine Conservancy group regarding the Mode property. Shelia, Rob, Liz, Paul and the Mayor all agree that they need to speak with Tony the owner of the Mode house to talk about selling or have the Borough apply for a County Grant to purchase, instead of having Tony develop homes on this land. An appraisal would be needed of the land with a visual site inspection too. John will also set up another meeting with Arcelor Mittal, since half the Mode house is on their property, to see how they can help in this matter. John suggested to council and the Conservancy, which a 'memorandum of understanding' be set up with Tony. This is a slow process with all the groups involved. Maybe a 'go fund me' account, ask for donations from business, residents etc.

Unfinished Business

Resolutions and Ordinances have been advertised in the DLN
Engineer, PT, PRN also advertised for 30 days in DLN. Bid due date is March 11, 2019

New Business

None

Regular Meeting Adjoined at 9:35pm

Executive Session opened at 9:40 pm, closed at 10:15pm

Next council meeting: March 4th, 2019 at 7pm