

Borough of Modena
Monthly Council Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2019

1. Call to order

VP Jennifer Daywalt called to order a regular monthly meeting, of the Borough of Modena Council at 7pm on Monday May 13th, 2019 at Borough Hall, 5 Woodland Ave., Modena, Pa

2. Salute to the flag

3. Roll Call

Victoria Cloud, Secretary, conducted roll call. The following were present:

VP Jennifer Daywalt, Council Members Beau Tilghman, Liz Sinton, Blaise Frost and Mayor Johnson. President Clayton Ayers, Chris Corle and Paul Wilkinson were absent.

Beau Tilghman, Council Member, made a motion to reorganize. Liz Sinton, Council Member; second the motion. Motion passed.

Beau Tilghman, Council Member; nominated Jennifer Daywalt for Council President, Blaise Frost, Council Member; seconded the nomination. Motion Passed.

Jennifer Daywalt, Council President; nominated Beau Tilghman for Council Vice President. Blaise Frost, Council Member seconded the nomination. Motion passed.

4. Approval of Minutes

Beau made a motion to accept the May 6th minutes, Liz 2nd, all in favor.

5. Public Comment

None

6. Written Reports

6.1 Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer will put together a proposal during 2020 budget process to asses a charge to property owners due to Eagle Disposal raising their rates from \$25 to \$50 per recycling ton effective 6/1/19.
- Treasurer suggested cameras to be purchased and installed to protect the park investment. Beau will gather his quotes from last year and present to Council again.
- Treasurer Deb stated the funds are available to pay Fidelity. Blaise made a motion; Liz seconded, all in favor to pay Fidelity Modena's 25% share for the work on sewer lines. South Coatesville will pay 75%, total cost is \$31,000.00

6.2 Payment of Bills

Liz made a motion to accept payment for all the bills, Blaise 2nd, all in favor.

6.3 Police and Fire Departments

- Council reviewed report and questioned Chief Pierce on a few issues.

6.4 Sewer Flow report

- Flows are looking better since pipes have been fixed.

6.5 Code Enforcement Report

- Council reviewed report.
- Council President Daywalt wants Dave to take 103 No. Brandywine to court. Council made too many attempts over the years citing the owner to take care/sell/demolish this property; she is not in compliance, Dave will handle it.

7. Council and Committee Reports

7.1 President Report

No report, President absent.

7.2 Secretary Report

- CU hearing date set for 5/9/19 at 7pm.
- Sump pump letters mailed. Inspections will be set up by June 30, 2019.

7.3 Mayor Report

- Mayor stated that LTL invoices are too expensive. In March of 2020 Borough will run out of money from Highway Aide. Mayor would like contract cancelled or negotiate. If neither, Hud suggested Council put out to bid for another firm. Definition needs to be specific for the Codes inspector and 'what the needs of the borough' are. Council suggested that maybe an 'in-house' paid employee could do this job? Deb will have to look into what the budget/ salary could be for this person.

7.4 CRP Grant Report

- Bids are being reviewed in May. Disbursement of funds will be in June/July. The bridge work quotes are old; Rebecca Mazzolla did add additional funds on top to cover the difference.

7.5 Streets Committee Report

No report, Chris absent.

- President will ask Donnie Dodds if he would like to be on the streets committee.
- President Daywalt did ask council about having garage keys available in Borough Hall for when events are held and items from garage are needed. Chris and Joe currently are the only two who have keys. Beau made a motion to have copies of those keys; Liz second. All were in favor. President will ask Chris or Joe to make an additional set for the 'key box'.

- Council member Liz Sinton mentioned that she had a set of keys for Borough Hall, wondering if copies could be made for her again and all Council. President Daywalt was in agreement to have copies of keys for all council, to freely come into building (not secretary's office) to use the PC, come in to sign checks (Liz), or be here early to help with events. Liz made a motion to have copies of Borough Hall front door keys made, Beau second, all were in favor.

7.6 Health and Housing

No report.

- Council had a discussion on enforcing yard maintenance for residents; Ordinance will be posted on FB and website.

7.7 Parks & Recreation

5/18: Movie night will have a popcorn machine that Blaise borrowed. Lion King.

6/1: Community picnic & pot luck – more details to follow

6/15: Movie night

7.8 Sewer Committee Report

- Butch and Beau will inspect the 6 resident's sump pumps to make sure they are in compliance.

7.9 Historical Committee

- Jen Daywalt, John Graves, Jane Dorchester; historian and Anna Keen took a tour of the Mode House to take pictures and learn more. . Resident Giselle Cosentino will help John Graves with a fundraising site. John will contact residents Kate K and Ron McCorkle to ask if they would like to be on the Historical Commission. There will be a committee meeting here on May 22 @ 7:30.

7.10 Planning/Zoning Committee

- On Thursday May 16th there will be a Conditional Use Hearing for 49 Woodland Ave.

8. Unfinished Business

- Blaise made a motion to accept Huds suggestion to have the 'Blight' fine at the amount of \$500. Beau 2nd the motion all in favor. The Blight ad will be published in the paper. Then in 30 days the Ordinance will be passed by Council then executed.
- Treasurer was advised that in June Council will decide if a bank loan is need in the event the funds do not come in for the Bridge grant to pay Louis Berger.

9. New Business

- Reducing Council to 5 members.
- Blaise will ask his wife to create Mode House/Historical t-shirts to sell at a minimal cost; proceeds deposited into the new Historical Commission bank account.

Meeting Adjourned

Beau made a motion to end monthly council meeting at 8:43pm, Liz second, all were in favor.

Executive meeting

Council executive meeting started at 8:45pm.

Blaise made a motion to end meeting at 9:00 pm, Beau 2nd, all were in favor.

Next Council Meeting

Monday June 3, 2019

President:

Secretary:

Date: