

Borough of Modena
Second Monthly Council Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2021

1. Call to order

President Jennifer Daywalt called to order the monthly regular Council meeting, of the Borough of Modena Council at 7:03 pm on Monday, July 19, 2021 at Borough Hall, 5 Woodland Ave.

2. Salute to the flag

3. Roll Call

Secretary Cloud conducted roll call. In attendance at Borough Hall were Council President Jennifer Daywalt, VP Tilghman, Council Member Nicole Ewing, Mayor Harvey and Secretary Victoria Cloud. Via Zoom were Council members Felicia Handley and Liz Sinton. Absent were, Council members Clayton Ayers and Blaise Frost.

4. Approval of Minutes

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- Council member Ewing made motion to accept the July 5, 2021 minutes. VP Tilghman second, all in favor, motion passed.

5. Public Comment on Agenda items

None

6. Written Reports

6.1 Treasurer's Report

- Summaries were presented to Council President by Treasurer Schulcz to review with Council.

6.2 Payment of Bills

- Council member Ewing made motion to accept the bills to be paid, VP Tilghman second, all in favor, motion passed.

6.3 Police and Fire Department Reports

- Nothing to report.

6.4 Sewer Flow Report

- Nothing to report.

6.5 Code Enforcement Report

- Nothing to report.

7. Council and Committee Reports

7.1 Council President Report

- President Daywalt stated that there would be a lot going on for the Borough through the end of this year.
- COVID19 Relief Grant of \$54,000.00+ was awarded to Modena. Half the amount has been direct deposited into the general fund account. These funds can and will be used towards IT and security. President will get quotes on new IT equipment for the offices. VP and Mayor will look into cameras cost. At Audit time, then Borough shows how the funds were used.

7.2 Secretary Report

- Secretary filled out three applications for tree trimming and roadside clearing through Penn DOT. These roads are Modena, Mortonville, and Hephzibah Hill. No confirmation on start date.

7.3 Mayor Report

- Mayor reported that in October is the best time to plant a new Christmas tree. Quotes given to him ranged from \$195-225.00.

7.4 Park & Recreation

- **Mini Grant** through Brandywine Conservancy- \$6,000/\$6,000. Need cash, in-kind, donations for match.
- **2021 Borough wide events** have been posted on Borough's FB page.
- **S. Brandywine Park** needs to be cleared for creek access. Would like to add benches, trashcans, have the soccer net.
- **Borough Hall/Ray Culbertson Park.** Need new sign, have a bench, clean up the volleyball court and add the net, obtain quotes for a new Christmas tree and when it should be planted.
- **Pocket Park** items TBD.
- Meetings will be held the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.

7.5 Historical Committee Report

- Nothing to report.

7.6 Police & Fire Community Relations Report

- A dry hydrant is needed near Union St. bridge. President will meet with the Fire chief to discuss cost, Grants and installation.

7.7 Streets Report

- VP Tilghman reported that the parks look good.
- A weed whacker is needed. He presented quotes from Home Depot to council. The cost range is from \$199.00 to \$389.00. Two old ones here working occasionally. Hensel's fixes them when they break. Spending too much money often. Tabled until next meeting.
- Baker St. is still a problem; patching up the best he can with help from Al.

7.8 Health & Housing

- Nothing to report.

7.9 Planning & Zoning

- Council President stated an on site meeting will be held Thursday July 22, 2021 @ 11 am with LTL and Matt Krueger at the Mogreena Beer Company location.

7.10 Ordinance Review

- Full review of the animal ordinance will be at the August meeting after solicitor reviews it. Then it will be posted on website, FB and a short revision for the newspaper for 30 days for the residents to read.
- Council member Handley and John Graves are working on a Historic Ordinance.

8. Unfinished/Old Business

- Animal Ordinance review presented to Council by President Daywalt with detailed conversation.
- Tree trimming at the Mode house is needed. Angry Beaver Company quote \$7,000.00 English tree Service @ \$13,000.00 includes Mode House and overhang trees in the Borough. VP Tilghman had a few more questions to ask Angry Beaver if their quote covers Borough work also.

Mode House

- Cleveland Cliffs emailed President to state they will donate their portion of the land and building all up to the creek, which is about 7-8 acres. Solicitor Voltz will handle this matter with a MOU to them.
- Mr. Graves will have to start a Historic registration to the county.
- Some Grants are currently in place for the land, need addition grants for the building.
- Email sent to schedule goats for clean up for later this year.

DCNR Mini Grant

- Working on it for the Mode House.

Comprehensive Plan

- Need community involvement. Long-term 'road map' project; 18 months. Need people to interview. Make sure you take the survey. So far, 30 people have taken it.
- Next meeting, Monday July 26, 2021 @ 6 pm.
- The forth Monday of every month at 6 pm, for at least 6 months this meeting will be held for sectional planning at Borough Hall and on a zoom link.

CRP Grant – Streets

- Application submitted July 15, 2021 for \$1,000,480.00. Borough would match 5 % = \$50,000.00. Baker St. /N. Brandywine/Woodland Ave. Application are for new box drains, storm water repair, repair and repave, signage, road markings, guardrails, and stop signs at each intersection.

Mogreena Beer Company

- Council President stated an on site meeting will be held Monday July 22, 2021 @ 11 am with LTL and Matt Krueger at the future Mogreena Beer Company site.

9. New Business

- Resolution #291-2021 CRP Grant for (3) streets. Council member Ewing made motion to sign, Council member Sinton second, all in favor, motion passed. Approval of this Grant application will not be known until spring of 2022.
- MS4 – Tabled. Christina Water Shed and CVMP will work with LTL on this since Borough is a member of each.

10. General Public Comments – limit of 3 minutes per person

- None

Meeting Adjourned

President Daywalt requested a motion to end the regular second monthly meeting at 8:30 pm.

VP Tilghman made motion to end meeting, Council member Ewing second, all in favor, motion passed.

Executive meeting started at 8:35 pm until 8:45pm.

Next Council Meeting

Monday August 2, 2021 @ 7:00pm at Borough Hall and zoom.

President:

Secretary:

Date: