

Borough of Modena
Second Monthly Council Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2023

1. Call to Order

President Jennifer Daywalt called to order the Council meeting, of the Borough of Modena Council at 7:00 pm on Monday July 17, 2023, at Borough Hall, 5 Woodland Ave.

2. Salute to the Flag

3. Roll Call

Secretary Cloud conducted roll call. In attendance were Council President Daywalt, VP Tilghman, Council members Jenny Hines, Nicole Ewing, Mayor Mike Harvey and Secretary Cloud. Absent were Ruth Ayers, Felicia Handley, Blaise Frost, and Borough Solicitor Koopman.

4. Approval of this evening's Agenda

President Daywalt had two additions to the agenda. Council member Ewing made motion to accept them and to approve this evening's agenda, Council member Hines second, all in favor motion passed.

5. Approval of Minutes

5.1 Monthly meeting minutes from July 3, 2023. VP Tilghman made motion to accept minutes, Council member Hines second, all in favor motion passed.

6. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None.

7. Written Reports

7.1 Treasurer's Report

- President Daywalt presented the report. Council reviewed without questions.

7.2 Payment of Bills

- Bills totaled \$7,793.00. Council member Ewing made motion to accept and pay these bills, VP Tilghman second, all in favor motion passed.

7.3 Police and Fire Department Reports

- None

7.4 Sewer Flow Report

- The issue at the Union St. pump station concerning the failing in-ground metal pit structure is being discussed on what is the best solution. Butch met with the Borough's engineer Chris and both agreed that the solution and cost effective fix is to re-hab the existing structure. Butch met with Abel Rehab Inc. to evaluate and have them submit a quote. Work would be sand blasting the in-ground can and coating it with high quality durable epoxy paint. Butch is trying to get another quote, but the contractors he is calling doing this type of work is limited. Quote from Abel Rehab is \$16,600.00

7.5 Code Enforcement Officer Report

None

8. Council and Committee Reports

8.1 Council President Report

- Nothing to report. See New Business from her.

8.2 Secretary Report

- Nothing to report

8.3 Mayor Report

- Nothing to report

8.4 Park & Rec Committee Report

- Meeting to be held on Wednesday July 19 @ 6 PM

8.5 Historical Committee Report

- Nothing to report

8.6 Police & Fire Community Relations Report

- Nothing to report

8.7 Streets Report

- The old recycling truck has been sold for \$6,200.00.
- VP Tilghman will help PW Scott with Thursday's recycling since this is a two-man job.

8.8 Planning & Zoning

- Nothing at this time.

8.9 Ordinance Review

- In progress. Committee met for discussion on the commercial U&O and animal Ordinance.

9. Unfinished/Old Business

- CCCRA discussion. Secretary will reach out to negotiate a \$300 annual fee, locked in for 3 years.
- Annual contracts were discussed. All in favor to keep what borough uses with the exception of Refuse service, which will be bid out later this year.
- Resolution #330-2023 with Presence bank for 'Federal Grant Money' to be deposited.
- The salt shed will need quotes on wood, cinder block or a concrete wall. Welding for the back wall came in at the cost of \$900.00 – tabled until quotes received.
- Isett Co. Council President will reach out to them; see if they will review our flood plain Ordinance to see if they can handle the position of Borough's overall administrator for Flood Plain, Codes and engineering.

Grant Updates

LSA Grant

- LSA Grant for \$100,000 was granted to the Borough. VP Tilghman is researching costs on the equipment the Borough needs. There is a 2015 backhoe @ \$75k, at Eagle Equipment, 2025 hours on it, Case 580 that he researched. Mayor Harvey will join VP to look at this backhoe to request a warranty and negotiate a lower price. UTV must be purchased from a dealer or COSTAR such as a John Deer or Polaris.

CRP Grant – Streets

- No news yet from the County on the additional funding.

902 Grant Rounds 59 & 60

- Next Grant cycle opens in the fall of 2023. Additional request for funding will be made for reimbursement.

Tropical Storm Ida/HMGP-Meredith Court

- South Brandywine Bridge: RFP is completed by borough solicitor, emailed to secretary, then advertised in the DLN and posted on borough's website. Motion made by Council member Ewing to accept the RFP, VP Tilghman second, all in favor motion passed.
- Meredith Court: President Daywalt stated that the borough must hire a Certified FEMA Project Manager to oversee this project in the Borough.

10. New Business

- President Daywalt presented information for a CPA firm to come into the borough to help with the books, preparing audits, budgets, financial reporting on a short-term basis. This CPA firm could be hired temporarily for the cost of \$1,625.00 monthly until the end of year. Council will reviewed proposal from MVJ CPA, LLC. – Tabled.

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

Carol Kulp of East Fallowfield

Rita Misero of Coatesville, City

Regina Lazzari of East Fallowfield

- All above had questions on the Borough's animal ordinance. They were advised that it is being worked on specifically for this small borough/acreage and residents needs.
- Buddy Rhoades Had questions on flooding in Modena. He requested info; Secretary will have that ready for his arrival next week.

Meeting Adjourned

Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. Council member Hines made motion to end meeting, Council member Ewing second, all in favor motion passed.

Next Council Meeting Will be held on Monday August 7, 2023, at 7:00 pm at Borough Hall.

President:

Secretary:

Date: