

Council of the Municipality of Murrysville held a Regular Voting Meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building. Present at the meeting were Council members Toni Brockway, Loren Kase, Josh Lorenz, Tony Spadaro, and Carl Stepanovich. Also present were Mayor Synan, Chief Administrator, James Morrison, Solicitor, George Kotjarapoglus and Director of Engineering, Scott Hilty. Council members Jamie Lee Korn and Dayne Dice were absent.

**MUNICIPALITY OF MURRYSVILLE
2018 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD
“MURRYSVILLE BACKPACKS TO GO”**

Mr. Lorenz stated that Council has chosen “Backpacks to Go” as the 2018 Murrysville Volunteer of the Year. This group serves a very important role in the community. The group includes: Lisa Pint, Jill Hopkins, Meg Keim, Jenn Paterline, Kristin Blakely, Kristen Rice, Laura Pasqualini and Paula Fetsko. Ms. Pint stated that the program began back in 2010 at Heritage Elementary with a handful of kids that were in need of some food on the weekends. Counselors suggested filling up backpacks to give the kids to get them through the weekend with breakfast, lunch and dinner. The program has expanded and grown over the years and now includes all of the schools in the district. The “Backpacks to Go” Program is sponsored by the Franklin Regional community which includes the PTO, teachers, students, family and friends. The backpacks are distributed the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month and then returned on Monday morning to be re-filled for the next designated Friday. An average of 65 to 70 students are enrolled in the program and continues to grow because of the generosity of the community, the teachers and donations from businesses in the community and businesses outside of the community.

Donations of specific food are accepted at any time in any of the school offices. See the school’s website for details. Gift cards from local grocery stores such as Shop & Save, Giant Eagle, Ferri’s, Shur Save, and Walmart are accepted. Monetary donations are tax deductible (checks can be made payable to Heritage PTO) and go 100% to feeding the kids.

**REGULAR VOTING MEETING
AGENDA**

ROLL CALL/VOTING ORDER: Toni Brockway, Tony Spadaro, Loren Kase, Jamie Lee Korn - absent, Josh Lorenz, Dayne Dice - absent, Carl Stepanovich, and Mayor Synan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Lorenz led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNISTED AMENDMENTS: Mr. Spadaro moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Kase seconded. All present voted aye. Motion approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

- A. March 20, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes

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Mr. Stepanovich moved to approve the consent calendar items. Mr. Kase seconded. All present voted aye. Motion approved.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Synan stated that the Festival of the Arts that the Franklin Regional School District presents will be April 4th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. There will be art displays, art auctions, a fashion show, live music, live art demonstrations and food. Tickets are on sale for \$25 for a family of 4, adult single \$15, and student \$10, and seniors 65+ \$5.00.

The Egg Hunt is Friday, April 12. Dogs are at 6:30 pm at the Dog Park and kids at 7:30 pm at MCP Leftwich Pavilion. Dogs must be on a leash and have current vaccination. There will be goody bags, prizes, refreshments and photos with the Easter Bunny. Pre-registration is required. Unfortunately pre-registration is already full.

The White Valley Volunteer Fire Department will hold their Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner from noon – 6:00 pm. Adult cost is \$8.00 and children \$5.00. The fire department appreciates your support.

Franklin Regional officials invite all Delmont, Export and Murrysville residents ages 65 and over to the Annual Spring Senior Citizen Breakfast May 1st at 8:30 am. A complimentary sit down breakfast will be served. Entertainment will be provided by district music students. The breakfast will be held in the High School cafeteria, 3210 School Road, Murrysville. There is no cost to attend, but reservations are required by calling 724-327-5456 ext. 7646 between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm weekdays. Reservation deadline is April 19.

The Murrysville-Export Rotary Club will sponsor the Joey Gombosh Fishing Derby at Townsend Park on Saturday, April 13 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Children up to age 15 are welcome.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS: Mr. Morrison stated that the Municipality has received the renewal of the MS4 Permit, which is good for the next five years. Congratulations to Scott Hilty who put a lot of work and time into that.

The Municipality will be advertising for a new laborer. One of the public works truck drivers retired.

On April 23rd, staff will be meeting with the DEP concerning the Consent Order Agreement.

Sardis Pumper Truck has been sold to Export Borough subject to inspection.

COMMUNITY INPUT: None

LIAISON COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Spadaro: The Planning Commission met last night. Neuwirth Subdivision at 3440 School Road is a 2-lot subdivision on an existing lot which is 4.8 acres. The applicant wants to cut the lot in half and make two lots. They had no representative last night. The Planning Commission discussed that they had all utilities, but it doesn't look like they know where the water is going to be tapped in. They are waiting for sewer taps to be released and will need an access agreement. Also discussed were definitions and ordinance review of adult massage parlors and therapeutic massages. Mr. Morrison was the special guest last night filling the

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Planning Commission in on what they can and can't do. Regarding Markosky's final traffic study, there was no representative present last night. The Planning Commission talked about the traffic backup that's going to be on Sardis Road and Old Route 22. They are not sure about the alternatives for the Heather Highland Bridge, which is up for discussion. Planning is waiting for the Traffic Impact Study Commission to attend the next meeting.

Mr. Stepanovich: There was a meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee on Tuesday, March 26. One of the discussions was the proposed plan for the Get Go facility on Old William Penn Highway. The northwest access that is being proposed is in violation of the Murrysville Ordinance 220-31D5. Basically the ordinance sites 30 feet and the plan right now is only 20 feet. The recommendation on this was to modify the plan to widen the eastside access of the parcel and remove the access at the car wash, which is the one in violation of the 30 foot requirement. There was also discussion of the proposed Fusting Executive Park which will have an entrance on Wilson Drive. To give you an indication of the size of the project, they are proposing approximately 900 parking spaces.

Mr. Kase: Murrysville Medic One is very close to completion of their new building. The only major change was the addition of the retention pond, which was discussed at the last meeting.

Mr. Lorenz wanted to acknowledge that Jamie Lee Kornis was not in attendance this evening because she gave birth on Tuesday to a bouncing baby boy. Joseph weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces, and was 20 ½ inches long. Mom, baby and dad are doing well. Congratulations to Jamie and Michael and their children Gregory and Joseph.

Mr. Lorenz noted that Dayne Dice was absent this evening because he was feeling under the weather.

Ms. Brockway: Ms. Brockway stated that she was unable to attend the Library Board meeting last month because her grandson broke his arm and she watched the other kids while her daughter and son-in-law went to the hospital. The next board meeting is April 18.

WORKSHOP ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Council adjourned at 7:28 pm to an Executive Session, which Mr. Lorenz noted was for legal issues with possible action coming out of that session. Council reconvened at 8:14 pm. A few actions will be taken later in the meeting during 14.B and 15.B.

ADMINISTRATION: None

ENGINEERING:

11.A. Discussion regarding award of a contract for DPW-1-19 2019, Overlay Project

Mr. Hilty stated that the Overlay Project went out to bid. Four bids were received and were opened on Wednesday, March 27. Tresco Paving Corporation was the low bid. All required documentation and bid bond were provided. Export has decided to perform their own drainage work for Calisti Drive and the

contractor has agreed to accept an award amount of \$1,541,800 for the contract with that elimination. The street overlay project was included in the 2018 CIP with an approved budget amount of \$1,500,000 and an additional \$28,300 that was received from Peoples Gas for work that occurred on the upper section of Ashbaugh Road.

11.B. Discussion regarding award of a contract for DPW-4-19, Community Center Flat Roof Replacement Project

Mr. Hilty stated that five contractors picked up bids. Three of the bidders came to the mandatory pre-bid meeting and just two submitted bids. Bids received were from G&W Roofing and C.E. Davis Contracting. The budgeted amount in the CIP was \$70,000 and the lowest bid came in at that amount. An add alternative was included in the bid proposal for replacement of the shingled roof portion on the Senior Citizen entrance side. Mr. Hilty noted that staff felt that if the bid came in under \$10,000, it would be beneficial to replace that roof also. The Senior Center roof is about 15 years old and tying it into the new rubber roof would not be seamless. If both roofs are done at the same time, there would be a seamless interconnection with a 50-year shingle roof and 30-year rubber roof. If the add alternative is selected, the additional \$8,400 would be allocated from the unreserved funds. Staff is recommending award of contract to G&W Roofing & Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$78,400.00 for both.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: None

PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS: None

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

ADMINISTRATION:

14.A. Consider approval of Ordinance No. 1008-19, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 677-04, granting a long term lease with the Murrysville Community Library.

Ms. Brockway made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1008-19, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 677-04, granting a long term lease to the Murrysville Community Library. Mr. Stepanovich seconded.

Mr. Morrison stated that this was discussed during the workshop at the last meeting. Over the years, additional space had been added to Library square footage and amendments have altered the original lease approved by Council in 1994. This ordinance incorporates all of the amendments and establishes the relationship with the Murrysville Community Library.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

14.B. Consider authorization to enter into agreement with various local police agencies to provide trained tactical support officers in response to a police emergency in the participating municipalities

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trained tactical support officers in response to a police emergency in the listed participating municipalities subject to approval of the municipal insurance underwriter and solicitor. Ms. Brockway seconded.

Mr. Morrison stated that this program, which is permitted under the Pennsylvania Municipal Police Jurisdiction Act, is an effort to provide support and additional training in tactical situations among seven municipalities, most of them north of Route 22 with the exception of the city of Arnold.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

15.A. Consider approval of SP-3-19 Blue Spruce Shoppes Retail Infill

Mr. Stepanovich made a motion to approve SP-3-19 Blue Spruce Shoppes Retail Infill subject to the post-approval of conditions contained in Section VI of this briefing. Ms. Brockway seconded.

Chad Brinkley with the Blue Spruce Shoppes was in attendance to answer any questions Council might have. Mr. Lorenz stated that a proposed bank was to be at the Blue Spruce Shoppes. What the applicant is proposing is to fill in the space where the drive-through is located and to make that available for additional retail. Mr. Morrison added that there is sufficient parking to support the proposed infill. Two conditions were added dealing with cost estimate and bonding. The applicant is in agreement with those two conditions.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

15.B. Consider affirming the Code Enforcement Officer's decision to suspend the occupancy permit at 6228 William Penn Highway and authorize the Officer to take any other action as permitted by the Murrysville Zoning Ordinance

Mr. Stepanovich made a motion affirming the Code Enforcement Officer's decision to suspend the occupancy permit at 6228 William Penn Highway and authorize the Officer to take any other action as permitted by the Murrysville Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Kase seconded.

Mr. Morrison stated that there was a police action that involved two massage parlors in the Municipality of Murrysville. Within the Zoning Ordinance, there are provisions for the Code Enforcement Officer to suspend the Occupancy Permit of those businesses if, in fact, the people involved are charged by appropriate law enforcement authorities, which they were. If the individuals charged are found guilty, then the permit can be revoked. It is proposed that the license be suspended based on the police action and Code Enforcement review.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

ENGINEERING:

16.A. Consider award of a contract for DPW-1-19, 2019 Overlay Project

Ms. Brockway made a motion to award a contract to Tresco Paving Corporation for DPW-1-19, 2019 Overlay Project not to exceed \$1,541,800 with the Municipality of Murrysville portion not to exceed \$1,528,300 and the Borough of Export portion not to exceed \$13,500. Mr. Stepanovich seconded.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

16.B. Consider award of a contract for DPW-4-19, Community Center Flat Roof Replacement Project including the Senior Center entrance

Ms. Brockway made a motion to award a contact for DPW-4-19, Community Center Flat Roof Replacement Project to G&W Roofing & Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$78,400. Mr. Stepanovich seconded.

Mr. Lorenz stated that this will cover the flat roof as well as the shingle portion on the Senior Center entrance as set forth in the briefing.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

16.C. Consider authorization to advertise for DPW-3-19, Alternative Road Surface Treatments

Ms. Brockway made a motion to authorize advertisement for DPW-3-19, Alternative Road Surface Treatment Project. Mr. Stepanovich seconded.

Mr. Hilty stated that last year the municipality tried to get bids on alternative road surface treatments, but didn't get those out in time and most of the contractors already had their work secured for the year. That money was rolled over for this year in the 2019 CIP. The plan is to advertise in April and have bids back sometime in May, and then bring to Council to award the contract the end of May. The Municipality will be seeking bids for three alternative road surface treatments: Fiber mat surface treatment, flexible base pavement, and seal/fog coat. The fiber mat and the flexible base would be used mainly on the rural residential roads, the rural overlay roads, and the public works roads. The seal/fog would be used on the major or collector roads to try to prolong those. The final road selection has not been completed at this time.

Mr. Stepanovich asked if there has been any dialogue with our neighbors, like Penn Township, Salem, or Delmont that may have looked at or used any of those alternatives. Mr. Hilty answered yes; that other communities (North Huntingdon, Penn Township) have used the fiber mat on their rural roads. We want to compare and evaluate what we are paying for asphalt for regular overlay. Is there a savings or is it better to just do the old standard of repaving or is there a savings with the alternative. We want to see what works best for us. Mr. Morrison noted that the municipality has a very good history of our roads; when

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they were paved, what work was done on them. We don't know the history of the roads in the other communities; what base was used, how it was treated over a period of 15-20 years. We have that knowledge here and will be able to evaluate these treatments as they pertain to particular circumstances that we run into with our roads.

Upon a roll call vote: Ms. Brockway – yes, Mr. Spadaro – yes, Mr. Kase – yes, Mr. Lorenz – yes, and Mr. Stepanovich – yes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS: Mr. Lorenz stated that the Municipality did have a groundbreaking ceremony for the improvements at MCP last Wednesday. Kudos to the Public Works staff who have been working very hard at the park. Construction is moving along quickly with hopes of a June opening date.

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Morrison stated that the incorporation for the foundation was received. No responses were received from Council in regards to the proposed bylaws or the memorandum of understanding. The next step would be to identify the board members, meet and then authorize the filing of the 501(c)3. Mr. Morrison would like some thoughts on board members and some input on the bylaws and the MOU so he can bring this back to Council at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Morrison noted that July 4th is a Thursday and July is a five Wednesday month. Would Council want to consider moving the July 3rd meeting? If the July 3rd meeting is moved, the meetings for July would be the 10th and the 24th. Mr. Lorenz stated that this can be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ACTION ITEMS: Council needs to get back to Mr. Morrison regarding the Bylaws and Memorandum of Understanding for the non-profit 501(c)3.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Stepanovich moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kase seconded. All present voted aye. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

The Regular Voting Meeting was broadcast on local government Channel 19. A true copy of the Council meeting DVD is available for the public to purchase from the Municipality of Murrysville and is in the Murrysville Public Library for review.