

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Sykesville Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Michele Yamrick. In attendance were Michele Yamrick, President; Elaine Fike, Vice President; Ron Park, President ProTem; Council Members: Nate Alvetro, Kurt Kister, Ron Morris, and Don Zimmerman. Absent were Mayor Gail Cunningham and Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito.

Visitors present were Donna Cooper (JCSWA), Jeffrey Winfield, Tammy Murray, William Cebulskie (Council President for Reynoldsville), William Cebulskie II, and Brian Williams (Crew Foreman).

VISITORS CONCERNS:

Donna Cooper informed Council that the recycle containers were placed on April 8th. She stated that there is not a lot of use yet but is almost certain there will be with time as people start to notice. She informed that the JCSWA is starting advertisements with their website and a Facebook page. The containers accept No. 1 (see through bottles) and No. 2 (milk jugs) plastic bottles, corrugated cardboard, office paper, junk mail, newspaper/phonebooks, magazines, and tin & steel canned foods/beverage containers. All recycling containers are labeled accordingly. She will check in on the containers periodically. Ms. Cooper also presented a recycle guide which will be located at the Borough Office. Ms. Cooper also informed Council that there will be an electronics/television/household hazard waste collection on May 1st in Falls Creek (notice is located at the Borough Office).

Jeffrey Winfield and Tammy Murray were present to observe the meeting.

William Cebulskie inquired about meeting with Sykesville Police Committee in discussing to combine/share a Police Force in the future. President ProTem Ron Park stated that Solicitor Gianvito should be notified of this before proceeding with anything.

CORRESPONDENCE:

President Michele Yamrick presented a letter of resignation from President ProTem Ron Park effective May 30, 2021. Council decided to table it until the second meeting in May as dated.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion to approve April 5, 2021 minutes was made by Councilman Don Zimmerman and seconded by Councilman Kurt Kister. Motion carried.

Travis Long presented a potential project for the CDBG 2021 Application, "water main relocation project 12'", for a total of \$870,340 (potentially could be a complete CDBG grant). Foreman Williams informed Council that this would start on VanWoert Street-119 and loop onto Station Street. A motion was made by President ProTem Ron Park and seconded by Councilman Don Zimmerman to submit the above project to Jefferson County CDBG. Motion carried. A full detailed list of the project will be located in the Borough Office.

President Yamrick presented a letter from Bill Cuba requesting Council the approval of the Run/Walk in September and also a draft letter that has the Borough taking responsibility of the event. A motion was made by Councilman Kurt Kister and seconded by Councilman Nate Alvetro to sign the letter which has the Sykesville Borough assuming responsibility of the Run/Walk event. Motion carried.

President Yamrick informed Council that the Borough received a check (\$4,569.77) from the insurance company to repair the fence located at the chlorinator on 119. The Borough's deductible is \$1,000. A motion was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by President ProTem Ron Park to accept and approve the proposal from Kessler Fencing for a total of \$5,569.77. Motion carried.

CREW FOREMAN REPORT:

Crew Foreman Brian Williams informed Council that the Railroad will be replacing a track next week so South Park Street will need to be closed. He stated that the Borough will be notified 2-3 days before.

Foreman Williams informed that he received an email stating that the Borough is eligible for the "Growing Greener Money". He stated that the application can be filled out April 22-June 25. Council agreed to apply for this money.

Foreman Williams requested to the Borough if he could apply with DCED for a UV light for the chlorine contact tank (new way of sanitizing). He stated that the Borough could be approved up to \$500,000 but would have to contribute 15%. A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Zimmerman to apply with DCED for \$120,000 with the Borough contributing 15% for installation of a UV light for the chlorine contact tank. Motion carried.

Foreman Williams informed Council that the Crew will be flushing hydrants next week. He stated that the alert call system is not working and requested that it be advertised in the newspaper. Secretary Neale stated that she tried to contact Radiance Systems about the alert system and has not been successful in reaching anyone. Council agreed to advertise the flushing of hydrants and also stated to find another alert call system. Mr. Williams also requested with the alert system not working and Roman Excavating returning to work, if the public needs to be notified to boil water, can the radio/media be used. Council agreed.

Foreman Williams requested a motion that the old backhoe be placed on Municipal Bid for sale. A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Alvetro to place the old backhoe on Municipal Bid with a starting bid of \$20,000. Motion carried.

Foreman Williams stated that the street sweeper was only through town twice because they are waiting for rain. Street sweeping will hopefully be completed in May.

Foreman Williams informed Council that the Borough has been denied the \$10,000 grant money from the County for the new backhoe.

COMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works:

Councilman Alvetro informed that a motion was made last year to place a curb across where Kevin Yamrick resides because of water washing out his driveway. He requested if the Borough Crew could move forward in doing that. Council agreed to proceed.

Finance/Personnel:

A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Zimmerman to advertise for a part time secretary. Motion carried.

A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Alvetro to approve Jaysa Neale's paid time off for July 23, September 23-24, and September 27-October 1. Motion carried.

The April 2021 Financial Reports were presented to all Council Members. No questions or comments were made.

Ordinance, Health & Safety

Nothing to report.

Utilities:

Nothing to report.

Parks, Recreation and Planning:

Councilman Zimmerman informed Council that last fall a motion was made to get a dumpster for the park. Secretary Neale will contact Waste Management in doing so.

The Park Committee presented a letter to Council stating the responsibilities (if needed) of the Little League (sinks/toilets must be cleaned, floors swept, toilet paper/paper towels provided by League, trash cans be emptied, and weed control around the ballfield). Council Borough is to make sure the restrooms are locked and that the lights are turned off.

Foreman Williams stated that a toilet was busted over the winter (most likely froze) and the "guts" are out of one of the urinals. The toilet and other parts should be here by next week.

A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Kister to remove Beth Saxman and Rick Canton from the Sykesville Park and Recreation Board Account (0202020187) as signatories and add Michele Yamrick and Elaine Fike as signatories for Account No. 0202020187. Motion carried. Ron Park will remain as a signatory for this account.

Police, Mayor, Fire, Code Enforcement:

Nothing to report.

Solicitor Gianvito:

Secretary Neale sent to all Council Members and Mayor a copy of a drafted Junk Vehicle Ordinance on April 7th for review. Council decided to table this until next meeting.

A copy of a proposed increase of the EIT Resolution was emailed to all members by Secretary Neale on April 8th for review. A motion was made by President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Zimmerman to advertise the proposed increase of the EIT from 1% to 2%. Councilman Alvetro and Vice

President Fike opposed. Councilman Ron Morris abstained due to lack of knowledge with the finances. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Park and seconded by Councilman Kister to continue offering Sykesville Residents to pay 11 months of garbage and get the 12th month free. This will only be offered the month of July. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into executive session to discuss personnel matters at 7:57 P.M.

ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

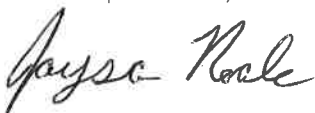
Council reconvened from executive session at 8:05 P.M.

A motion was made President ProTem Park and seconded by Councilman Kister to approve Secretary Jaysa Neale's annual evaluation and also approve a raise increase of .25 cents effective May 1st. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by President ProTem Ron Park and seconded by Vice President Elaine Fike. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Jaysa Neale
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

