

**BOROUGH OF BOYERTOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**March 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Boyertown Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Frank Deery. Council members present in addition to Mr. Deery were Charles Heller, Barry Christman, Lorraine Carnes, Terry Mest, and Gene Gabel. Council member Keith Endy was absent.

Also in attendance were Marianne Deery, Mayor; Christopher Hartman, solicitor; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; Adrienne Blank, Main Street Manager, interested citizens, and press representatives.

All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Deery called for public comments on the agenda; no comments were forthcoming.

Mr. Deery then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2017 meeting of Council. The motion was made by Mr. Gabel, second by Mr. Heller and approved by the membership present.

**Finance, Charles Heller**

Mr. Heller made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to approve the lists of Revenues, Expenditures and Bills for February 2017. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting "yes": Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved. The following is a summary of the Financial Report:

General Fund	
Balance In Bank 1/31/17	\$134,682.65
Receipts	34,485.68
Expenditures	100,913.73
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 68,254.60
Tank Maintenance Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$252,739.71
Receipts	12.84
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$252,752.55
Water Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$583,607.39
Receipts	88,800.34
Expenditures	110,911.32
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$561,496.41
Sewer Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$558,349.02
Receipts	84,344.60
Expenditures	94,013.82
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$548,679.80

Recreation Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$70,648.85
Receipts	65.92
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$70,414.77
Colonial Corners Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$113,548.67
Receipts	627.28
Expenditures	40.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$114,135.95
Capital Improvement General	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$ 983,350.42
Receipts	137.89
Expenditures	24,682.75
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 958,805.56
Forest Management	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$ 78,514.26
Receipts	1.94
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 78,516.20
Capital Improvement Water Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$ 908,822.83
Receipts	46.18
Expenditures	9,591.67
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 899,277.34
Capital Improvement Sewer Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$ 417,257.93
Receipts	27.77
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 417,285.70
Liquid Fuels Fund	
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$ 49,392.87
Receipts	8.33
Expenditures	1,392.72
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 48,008.48

Land Development Escrow		
Balance in Bank 1/31/17	\$	6,424.76
Receipts		0.00
Expenditures		0.00
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$	6,424.76

Mr. Heller then made a motion, second by Mr. Gabel, to authorize the solicitor to draft an ordinance to authorize Boyertown Fire and Rescue, Inc. to seek reimbursement for reasonable costs of emergency responses from the applicable insurance company or carrier. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Heller also made a motion, second by Mr. Mest, to authorize the Council President to execute the agreement of sale by the Borough of the property at 94 South Walnut Street to the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles for the amount of \$120,000. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

**Public Utilities - Water, Keith Endy**

The following Water Supply and Use Report was submitted for the month of February 2017: During the month of February a total of 22,920,000 gallons of water was processed through the water filter plant for an average of 818,000 gallons per day.

The totals came from these sources:

Trout Run	11,990,000
Ironstone	5,890,000
Boyertown Reservoir	5,040,000
Pumping from Trout Run	31 days
Pumping from Ironstone	26 days

Trout Run is at a level of 578.67 feet with approximately 168,000,000 gallons of water. Popodickon Reservoir is at a level of 35 feet with approximately 27,100,000 gallons of water. Precipitation in February was 1.2 inches.

**Public Utilities – Sewer, Keith Endy**

The following Wastewater Treatment Report was submitted for the month of February 2017:

	<b>Average Effluent</b>	<b>NPDES Maximum Allowed</b>
B.O.D.	3.00 mg/1	20.0 mg/1
Ammonia Nitrogen	.2 mg/1	4.8 mg/1
Phosphorus	.66 mg/1	1.5 mg/1
Suspended Solids	11.3 mg/1	20.0 mg/1
Fecal Coliform	4/100 mg/1	200/100 mg/1

The average daily flow at the Wastewater Treatment Plant during the month of February was 340,000 gallons.

### **Public Works, Barry Christman**

The following report on the activities of the Street Department personnel during the month of February 2017 was submitted:

During the month of February street department personnel salted streets as needed, completed replacement of faded/non reflective signs west of Reading Avenue and north of Philadelphia Avenue, patched potholes, removed leaves from the Community Park, and performed routine maintenance on borough vehicles, equipment and property.

### **House, Gene Gabel**

Mr. Gabel made a motion, second by Mr. Christman, to accept the resignation of Nathan Babb from the Boyertown Emergency Management Council effective February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Gabel then made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to appoint John Rambo, 325 Mill Street, Boyertown to the Boyertown Emergency Management Council to complete the unexpired term of Nathan Babb, term to expire January 2018. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

### **Public Communication, Lori Carnes**

No report

### **Park and Recreation Board, Lori Carnes**

Mrs. Carnes reported that Earth Day in the Boyertown Community Park will be celebrated on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Planning, Frank Deery**

Mr. Deery submitted the Code Enforcement Report for the month of February. The report reflected the issuance of one UCC Permit, and one zoning permit. The Miscellaneous Permit Report reflected the issuance of five street opening permits and five curb and sidewalk permits. Follow up inspections were performed on numerous Notices of Violation issued for general property maintenance code violations, and seven citations were issued for failure to remove snow and ice from the public sidewalk. In addition, fifty one rental unit inspections were performed.

**Police and Public Safety, Terry Mest**

Mr. Mest made a motion, second by Mr. Heller, to authorize the Chief of Police to notify PennDOT of the Borough's intent to close East Philadelphia Avenue from Reading Avenue to Monroe Street on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the BMBA Sidewalk Expo, rain date Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting "yes": Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

**Police Activities, Mayor Marianne Deery**

The following Police Activities Report for the month of February 2017 was submitted:

Calls for Service	284	Non Traffic Complaints	126	Non Traffic Arrests	21
Traffic Complaints	120	Traffic Arrests	51		

The Mayor's activity report for the month of February reflected the Mayor's attendance at numerous meetings of Building a Better Boyertown, attendance at a luncheon honoring Emily Jones as the BBB's Volunteer of the Year; officiated a wedding on the Colebrookdale Railroad; and addressed Cub Scout Pack 503 at Good Shepherd Church.

**Building a Better Boyertown, Adrienne Blank Main Street Manager**

Ms. Blank advised the members that the façade grant program will close June 30, 2017; \$43,000 of the \$50,000 allotted grant funds have been allocated through the program. Ms. Blank also noted that the BBB will be unveiling a new website shortly. The BBB will be holding art related events on the fourth Friday of each month beginning in April. The Town Visioning Committee is taking a field trip to Ambler on March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Blank also introduced Michael Lane, of the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee, who spoke briefly to Council about the Trail Feasibility Study and the possible connection of a trail between Boyertown and Pottstown.

**Public Comments**

Mr. Deery called for public comments; no comments were forthcoming.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. was made by Mrs. Carnes and second by Mr. Heller. The next meeting of Boyertown Borough Council will be held on Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia A. Loder  
Borough Secretary