

**BOROUGH OF BOYERTOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**April 3, 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, Keith Endy, Terry Mest, and Gene Gabel.

Also in attendance were Marianne Deery, Mayor; Christopher Hartman, solicitor; Patricia Loder, Borough Manager; Adrienne Blank, Main Street Manager, members of Boy Scout Troop 545, interested citizens, and a press representative.

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 March 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 Mr. Mest, to approve the lists of Revenues, Expenditures and Bills for March 2017. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting "yes": Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, 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 2/28/17	\$ 68,254.60
Receipts	232,334.82
Expenditures	114,389.64
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$186,199.78
Tank Maintenance Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$252,752.55
Receipts	84.01
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$252,836.56
Water Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$561,496.41
Receipts	127,661.62
Expenditures	140,304.69
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$548,853.34
Sewer Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$548,679.80
Receipts	126,310.97
Expenditures	117,106.59
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$557,884.18

Recreation Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$70,414.77
Receipts	1,788.72
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$72,203.49
Colonial Corners Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$114,135.95
Receipts	742.23
Expenditures	1,101.40
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$113,776.78
Capital Improvement General	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 958,805.56
Receipts	352.88
Expenditures	7,528.30
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 951,630.14
Forest Management	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 78,516.20
Receipts	1.86
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 78,518.06
Capital Improvement Water Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 899,277.34
Receipts	262.38
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 899,539.72
Capital Improvement Sewer Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 417,285.70
Receipts	140.41
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 417,426.11
Liquid Fuels Fund	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 48,008.48
Receipts	109,333.53
Expenditures	2,764.55
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 154,577.46

Land Development Escrow	
Balance in Bank 2/28/17	\$ 6,424.76
Receipts	0.00
Expenditures	0.00
Balance in Bank 3/31/17	\$ 6,424.76

Mr. Heller then made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to confirm the execution by the Council President of the First Amendment to the Agreement of Sale with the Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles extending the closing date of the sale of 94 South Walnut Street to take place on or before April 15, 2017. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Heller then made a motion, second by Mr. Gabel, to authorize a contribution in the amount of \$2,500 to Building A Better Boyertown to assist with the purchase of a battery powered water cart and tank to be used to water planters in the main street area, and to authorize an additional contribution of \$2,500 in 2018 if a second water cart and tank is required.. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Heller also made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to authorize the solicitor to advertise for adoption at the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Borough Council Ordinance Number 02-2017, amending the Code of the Borough of Boyertown, Chapter 10 “Fire Department” to add a new Part 2 entitled “Emergency Cost Reimbursement.” The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, 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 March 2017: During the month of March a total of 19,940,000 gallons of water was processed through the water filter plant for an average of 665,000 gallons per day.

The totals came from these sources:

Trout Run	12,430,000
Ironstone	6,660,000
Boyertown Reservoir	850,000
Pumping from Trout Run	30 days
Pumping from Ironstone	24 days

Trout Run is at a level of 577.92 feet with approximately 158,000,000 gallons of water. Popodickon Reservoir is at a level of 35 feet with approximately 27,100,000 gallons of water. Precipitation in March was 2 inches.

**Public Utilities – Sewer, Keith Endy**

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

	<b>Average Effluent</b>	<b>NPDES Maximum Allowed</b>
B.O.D.	4.00 mg/1	20.0 mg/1
Ammonia Nitrogen	.3 mg/1	4.8 mg/1
Phosphorus	.84 mg/1	1.5 mg/1
Suspended Solids	12.8 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 March was 390,000 gallons.

**Public Works, Barry Christman**

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

During the month of March street department personnel salted and plowed streets, patched pot holes, replaced street signs, cleaned catch basins, and performed routine maintenance on borough vehicles, equipment and property.

Mr. Christman made a motion, second by Mr. Endy, to approve the Scope of Work for Engineering Services for NPDES MS4 Permit Renewal submitted by Spotts, Stevens and McCoy, Inc. in the amount of \$19,500. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Christman also made a motion, second by Mr. Gabel, to authorize the Borough Manager to execute Traffic Planning and Design, Inc. Supplement Number 1 in the amount of \$47,960 for completion of engineering services relating to the Second Street Bridge repairs, including a structural load rating analysis. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

**House, Gene Gabel**

Mr. Gabel made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to accept a donation of funds from Patt Veterinary Clinic for the purchase of a pet water fountain for the Community Park to be installed by the Borough. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

**Public Communication, Lori Carnes**

Mrs. Carnes made a motion, second by Mr. Heller, to authorize release of the Borough Council Spring Newsletter. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

**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>. Event activities include a flea market, a rock climbing wall, presentation by the Lehigh Valley Zoo and the unveiling of the Boyertown Community Park Bear.

**Planning, Frank Deery**

Mr. Deery submitted the Code Enforcement Report for the month of March. The report reflected the issuance of two UCC Permits, and two zoning permits. The Miscellaneous Permit Report reflected the issuance of two street opening permits; one yard sale permit and one soliciting permit. Follow up inspections were performed on numerous Notices of Violation issued for general property maintenance code violations, and four citations were issued for failure to remove snow and ice from the public sidewalk. In addition, thirty nine rental unit inspections were performed.

**Police and Public Safety, Terry Mest**

Mr. Mest made a motion, second by Mrs. Carnes, to authorize a handicap parking sign at 423 East Second Street. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. The motion was approved.

Mr. Mest also made a motion, second by Mr. Heller, to authorize a 5K Run to be held in conjunction with Building a Better Boyertown’s Oktoberfest Event on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with the course map provided to the Borough, and conditioned upon participants signing an acknowledgment that the course is to be run on the public sidewalk, and conditioned upon receipt of a certificate of liability insurance naming the Borough of Boyertown additional insured. The roll call vote reflected the following members voting “yes”: Mr. Heller, Mrs. Carnes, Mr. Endy, Mr. Mest, Mr. Gabel, and Mr. Deery. Mr. Christman cast a “no” vote. The motion was approved.

**Police Activities, Mayor Marianne Deery**

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

Calls for Service	255	Non Traffic Complaints	88	Non Traffic Arrests	15
Traffic Complaints	127	Traffic Arrests	79		

The Mayor's activity report for the month of March reflected the Mayor's attendance at numerous meetings of Building a Better Boyertown, officiated at a wedding ceremony, attended an Eagle Scout Ceremony, attended the Berks County Municipal Officials Dinner, and served as a Judge for the Boyertown Health and Wellness Kids Celebrity Chef Contest.

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

Ms. Blank thanked Council for the donation toward the purchase of a water cart and tank. She also advised the members that the Steering Committee visited Ambler and met with local officials to discuss their downtown. She also noted that Modelbahn Ott Hobbies will open soon at 42 East Philadelphia Avenue.

**Public Comments**

Mr. Deery called for public comments; and recognized Ms. Kelly Kline, a candidate for Judge in Berks County Court of Common Pleas. Ms. Kline introduced herself to Council and discussed her qualifications to serve as a Judge.

Mr. Deery then recognized Russ Moser, of Scout Troop 545, who advised Council that the troop attended tonight's meeting for their citizenship badge. Mr. Moser thanked Council for acknowledging the groups attendance.

There being no further business to conduct a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. was made by Mrs. Carnes and second by Mr. Heller. The next meeting of Boyertown Borough Council will be held on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Loder  
Borough Secretary