

KANE BOROUGH COUNCIL
May 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of Kane Borough Council was called to order at 6:30 P. M. by President Tom Kase. The meeting was held at the Kane Borough Building, 112 Bayard Street, Kane, PA 16735. Members were notified of the meeting on December 13, 2023.

INVOCATION

Pastor Garen Smith led council in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Tom Kase (President), Brandy Schimp (Mayor), Kelle Bari, Sam Cummings Jr., Jerry Milliron, Debra Miller, Don Payne (Secretary), Tony Alfieri (Solicitor), Carrie Klaiber (Recording Secretary), Heath Boyer (Police Chief), Mick O'Rourke (Street Department Manager)

Telecommunications: Jack Zelina (Vice President)

Excused: Melanie Clabaugh

Absent: Matt Bressler (Fire Chief), Joe Geer (Code Compliance)

VISITORS

Andy McKowan (Kane Republican), Steve Dyne, Pastor Garen Smith

STATEMENT OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Zelina, seconded by Mrs. Bari, to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2024, regular monthly meeting. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. A motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Million to accept and pass Ordinance #A-1076 on the second reading. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Donation received from John Rezzelle.
- b. Thank you from No Feline Left Behind.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Budget – Report submitted to Council.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bari, seconded by Dr. Miller, to approve the Budget Report, as presented. Motion carried.

Tax Collector – Balance on duplicate = \$165,609.02 (previous balance \$317,090.50)

A motion was made by Mr. Zelina, seconded by Mrs. Bari, to approve the Tax Collector's Report as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Check detail in the amount of \$178,752.71 was presented to Council for approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Milliron, seconded by Mrs. Bari, to approve the Bills for Payment. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Office – Report submitted.

Code Compliance - Report Submitted

Solicitor – Report Submitted.

Police – Report submitted. Chief Boyer stated several juvenile arrests have been made regarding the thefts from sheds etc. He also stated that they are considering sending an officer from Kane to become an instructor for required trainings so that they do not have to go out of town for all of them.

Street - Report Submitted.

Assessment – Report submitted.

Health Board - Report submitted. Dr. Olson and Darlene Olson will be retiring as the Health Board Officers and Dr. Dale McLaughlin and Audry McLaughlin are to be trained to by Ben Weirick, Retail Food Specialist and Local Health Liaison for the PA Dept of Agriculture to take over. There were no inspections completed in April due to complications with Dr. Olson and any that were due will be completed in May or June.

Fire – No Report submitted.

A motion was made by Mr. Milliron, seconded by Mrs. Bari, to approve the Department Reports, as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks Commission – Minutes from the April 24, 2024 meeting were submitted. Mr. Payne stated the Parks Commission is recommending that the Borough fund the Rent.Fun! the game center project consisting of 2 bocce ball courts and one cornhole court with equipment kiosks and kiosks for disc golf and pickle ball equipment. The rental fee will be \$5.00 for a 2-hour rental of all of the equipment. This will be further discussed and voted on in as a New Business item.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. A motion was made by Dr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Zelina to approve the Audited Financial Report which was presented to council by Haines and Co. at the workshop May 1, 2024. Motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Mr. Cummings and seconded by Mr. Milliron to accept and approve the recommendations of the Parks Commission to have the Rent.Fun game center and kiosks installed in Evergreen Park and to use \$24,500.00 of Marcellas Shale Impact funds for the project. Motion Carried and the agreement was signed.

- c. A motion was made by Mrs. Bari, seconded by Dr. Miller to approve and accept Resolution #06-24 which will allow the sale by bid of the vacant lots at 420 Welsh and 306 Janeway. The bidding will start at \$6,000.00 and there will be conditions of sale that the lots must be purchased together and a new residential dwelling (trailers will not be permitted) must be built or placed on the property within three (3) years of the sale or the property will revert back to the ownership of the Borough. Motion carried.
- d. The Tree Removal Project was awarded to Bucheit Logging for 2024. Closed bids were received and a bid opening took place May 2, 2024 at 1:00pm with Donald Payne, Laura McDonald and Carrie Klaiber present. The winning bid was \$11,400.00.
- e. A motion was made by Mr. Zelina and seconded by Mr. Milliron allowing Mr. Payne to attend the McKean County Judicial Sale on May 15, 2024 to protect the Borough's interests. 122 Beech Street will be sold at this sale. Motion carried.
- f. A motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mrs. Bari to accept and approve Resolution #07-24 to allow application of a DCED Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program grant for \$120,000.00 to install sidewalks on the Park Avenue side and the Birch Street side of Evergreen Park where there is currently no sidewalks. Motion carried.
- g. A motion was made by Dr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Milliron to accept and approve Resolution #08-24 to allow application of a DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund grant for \$120,000.00 to install sidewalks on the Park Avenue side and the Birch Street side of Evergreen Park where there is currently no sidewalks. Motion carried.
- h. A motion was made by Mr. Milliron, seconded by Mr. Cummings to accept and approve Resolution #09-24 to allow application of a DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund grant for \$500,000.00 for paving projects throughout the Borough. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Report Submitted.

STATEMENT OF CITIZENS

None

End regular session at 7:36 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The council held an executive session regarding property.

Return to regular session at 8:01 P.M.

No decisions to be made.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Cummings, seconded by Mr. Milliron to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 P. M.

Carrie Klaiber, Recording Secretary