

MINUTES – December 19, 2022

Borough of Cambridge Springs

A regular meeting was held by the Cambridge Springs Borough Council on Monday, December 19, 2022, at 161 Carringer Street. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Randy Gorske at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Jennifer Howell, Marci Dickson, Delores Hale, Jeremy Ball, Larry Morrow and Brian Harmon. Also present was Manager Sandy Pude.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Harmon to approve the December 5, 2022 Borough Council Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dickson. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

Solicitor's Report – Attorney Shaddinger submitted a copy of the claim that is being filed against Raccoon Refuse. The total amount is \$56,413.20.

Engineer's Report – GPI submitted an estimate of \$916,713 for the Glen Street bridge/culvert replacement.

Committee Reports

Administration & Finance – None

Police Committee – None

Land Use & General Safety – None

Public Works – None

Report on Operations – A written report was submitted.

Hearing of Citizens and Taxpayers

Unfinished Business

New & Other Business

1. Resolution #628-2022 – Appointing Dwayne Farrington to the Zoning Hearing Board
2. Resolution #629-2022 – Appointing Jay Acklin to the Planning Commission
3. Resolution #630-2022 – Appointing Dan Viglione to the Board of Appeals
4. Resolution #631-2022 – Appointing Luke McCarthy to the Board of Appeals

A motion was made by Morrow to approve Resolutions #628-2022 - #631-2022. The motion was seconded by Harmon. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

5. Ordinance #845-2022 – Amending the Water Rates

A motion was made by Morrow to adopt Ordinance #845-2022 amending the water rates. The base rate for water will increase by \$1.00 per month. The motion was seconded by Ball. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

6. Ordinance #846-2022 – Levy of Taxes for 2023

A motion was made by Morrow to adopt Ordinance #846-2022 providing for the levy of taxes for 2023. The tax millage will increase from 15 ½ mills to 16 mills for 2023. The motion was seconded by Dickson. A poll vote was taken:

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|--------|---|-----|---------|---|-----|----------------|
| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

7. Ordinance #847-2022 – Amending the Fees for Collection of Refuse

A motion was made by Morrow to adopt Ordinance #848-2022 which amends the fees for the collection of refuse. The motion was seconded by Howell. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

8. Ordinance #848-2022 – Adopting the 2023 Budget

A motion was made by Morrow to adopt Ordinance #848 – 2022 adopting the 2023 Budget. The motion was seconded by Harmon. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

9. For Discussion - Eliminating the discount on water and garbage bills

At the December 2022 Cambridge Area Joint Authority meeting, a decision was made to eliminate the 2% discount that was given on the sewer billings for Borough and Township customers and the water billing for Township customers.

Pude said that the Borough has a contracted amount that is paid to the garbage collector each month. But because the 2% discount is given, the Borough does not collect enough in garbage fees to cover those costs. Any shortfall is paid with other revenues. The yearly contracted amount is \$294,354 and if everyone paid discount each month there would be a shortfall of \$5,887.00 by the end of the year.

Pude also said if everyone were to pay discount each month on the water billings, the amount lost would be approximately \$8,572.00 for the year.

Council discussed the elimination of the discount on water and garbage billings, but have decided to wait until next fall to make a decision when the 2024 budget is being prepared.

Approval of monthly invoices

A motion was made by Morrow to approve payment of the invoices. The motion was seconded by Ball. A poll vote was taken:

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| HOWELL | - | yes | DICKSON | - | yes | RESULTS: |
| HALE | - | yes | BALL | - | yes | 7 yes |
| MORROW | - | yes | HARMON | - | yes | MOTION CARRIED |
| GORSKE | - | yes | | | | |

Adjournment

A motion was made by Morrow to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Howell. A poll vote was taken:

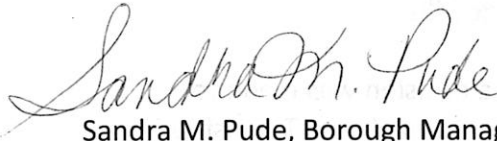
HOWELL - yes
HALE - yes
MORROW - yes
GORSKE - yes

DICKSON - yes
BALL - yes
HARMON - yes

RESULTS:
7 yes
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sandra M. Pude, Borough Manager