

Avis Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 2, 2019. Stover presiding with Mayor Harter and with members Raab, Brooks, Gordon, Herman, and Aungst present.

Motion by T. Gordon to accept the minutes of the November 4, 2019 meeting, seconded by J. Raab and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

Motion by J. Raab to pay the bills as so presented, seconded by A. Brooks and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

A resident of Pine Creek Township, June Brown, was at the meeting to discuss an incident at her home, however, Council was informed that her home is in PC Township so they informed her that she would need to go to the PC Township meeting.

E. Harter, Mayor, did not have a report.

K. Barger, Zoning and Codes Officer informed Council that a municipal lien was filed on the property at 21 W. Central Avenue. He also discussed the property at 219 E. Central Avenue. There were discussions regarding the Zoning Office authority to write citations. A Resolution was presented to Council authorizing the authority to the Zoning Officer. T. Gordon made a motion with a second by D. Aungst to adopt this Resolution (#213) which will be in effect starting on January 2, 2020.

Resolution #185 which was completed in 2009 was discussed as well. This Resolution will need to be changed to remove a name. This will get discussed further at the January meeting.

K. Barger also said that letters were put in with the sewer payment books that just got mailed out regarding the blue and white house signs and also the landlord reports. The letter gives residents until April to become compliant with the house signs.

J. Raab stated that he had two quotes for the damaged salt spreader as follows:

1. Tim Hummer \$300.00
2. Mike Saar \$300.00

Since the quotes were exactly the same, it was decided by the draw of the hat as to who got the spreader. Tim Hummer's name was drawn.

In November there were 6 properties in the Borough that had back sewer bills and there are 22 properties for the month of December. If a municipal lien is filed, the cost for just the filing is \$183.50.

A Brooks stated that she will be working on the Verizon bill with E. Hughes. She also requested that there be an Executive Session. She is working on updating the web-site and she discussed the Christmas contest within the Borough. The judging will take place on December 22nd and the prizes awarded the 24rd. There will be a Santa parade on December 22nd @ 2:00.

The proposed 2020 budget was gone over and a motion was made by J. Raab to accept the proposed budget with a second by D. Aungst and so carried with all Council voting in favor. The Tax Ordinance will be Ordinance #298.

D. Winkleman, Chief, said that they will be delivering the gifts from Operation Christmas on December 24.

7:40 - Executive Session

7:55 – Out of Executive Session

J. Raab made a motion regarding the discussion in Executive Session to advance \$2,500.00 into B. Snook's pension plan so that it could get open with the stipulation that B. Snook would need to sign a waiver stating that if he should leave the Borough the money put into the plan would be pro-rated depending on how long he has worked for the Borough and that B. Snook would need to pay back to the Borough any overpayment of pension funds. A. Brooks seconded and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

A Brooks made a motion to have secretary purchase \$50.00 Wal-Mart cards for Borough Employees for Christmas with a second by D. Aungst and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

Motion for adjournment by D. Aungst with a second by A. Brooks.