

Avis Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 3, 2020. Stover presiding with Mayor Harter and members Raab, Brooks, Gordon, Herman, Aungst and Christian present.

Motion by J. Raab to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2020 meeting, seconded by M. Herman and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

Motion by T. Gordon to pay the bills as so presented, seconded by J. Raab and so carried with all Council voting in favor. There was an additional bill for our domain on the web-site. The cost is \$90.00 for two years. A. Brooks made a motion to pay this with a 2nd by J. Raab and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

J. Raab stated that he is getting ready to renew the costars salt agreement for the 2020-2021 season. A. Brooks made a motion to allow J. Raab to renew this with a second by D. Aungst and so carried with all Council voting in favor. He also stated that this year will be a maintain and catch up year for the streets. There will not be a major project for the year unless it is an emergency. He is going to have a meeting with Darin Stover, Penn Dot representative, regarding borrowing money against our liquid fuels in order to complete one big paving project of the streets. He was told that the alley by the post office has a big pot hole and needs to be cold-patched.

The only sewer report was that there was one shutoff in Jan., and there are 13 for February.

A Brooks stated that she met with Gordy Bitler, the pension guy and that B. Snook is now set up for his pension. She discussed the copier. Willits provided a new copier to the Borough because the one the Borough had stopped working. We could either have that one repaired or we could purchase this new one. The price of the new one is \$999.00 but they will charge \$699.00 with the trade in of the old one and they will also honor the rest of the maintenance contract that we had with the old one. A. Brooks made a recommendation on behalf of the personnel administration/building/equipment committee to purchase this copier with a second by J. Raab and so carried with all Council voting in favor. A. Brooks also asked about M. Wagner and whether or not he is still considered an employee. D. Aungst made a motion to have a letter sent to M. Wagner terminating his employment with a second by E. Christian and so carried with all Council voting in favor.

T. Gordon stated that he is still in the process of finding someone to be on the tax committee.

The Borough found out in January that the current borough auditor, Gregory Dwulet, is going to retire and that he would not be able to do the borough 2019 audit. E. Christian made a motion for the borough to use Klein & Rizzo if they will do it for us with a second by J. Raab and so carried with all Council voting in favor. Secretary is working with their office to get this set up.

E. Christian asked about the radios that have been discussed for the borough employees to use to communicate with the fire company. This is still being looked into and no decision has been made at this time.

M. Herman reported that the cameras have been fixed at the fire hall and out front of the building and that all of the cameras are up and running. He also said that the mowing bid is ready. We will advertise for the 2020 mowing season and will open bids at the March meeting.

D. Aungst asked about the delinquent occupational/per capita taxes. These are sent to the collection company Berkheimer and they collect these delinquent taxes on behalf of the Borough.

Motion for adjournment by D. Aungst with a second by E. Christian.