

Highspire Borough Council Workshop Minutes

April 11, 2023

Council President Michael Anderson called the Highspire Borough Council Workshop meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken:

Council Members Present:	Michael Anderson	Tyler Thatcher
	Carolee Roman	Robert Sutch
	A. Kay Sutch	

Mayor:	Von Hess
Borough Manager:	Mark Stonbraker
Borough Solicitor:	Michael Cassidy

Council Member Matesevac was absent.

Council Member's reviewed the draft Borough Council Meeting agenda for the April 18, 2023 meeting.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hess reported that he received a letter from the Arbor Foundation congratulating the Highspire Borough for another year with Tree City.

Public Safety Director Report

Manager Stonbraker reported that he received a handicap parking request for 212 Penn Street, Highspire. Discussion followed.

Citizens Comments

None

Committee Reports

Highspire Happenings – Member Thatcher noted that the next meeting will be held at the Borough building on April 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Community Development Committee – Member A. Kay Sutch informed members that she will have a Proclamation for Gail Romanofsky which will be read by the Mayor during the May Council meeting.

Staff Activity Reports

Borough Manager, Mark Stonbraker, noted that there are two items on the Agenda, item d. and item e., that he would like Council to vote on at tonight's meeting.

Michael Cassidy, Solicitor, requested an Executive Session.

Executive Session: 7:11 p.m.
Reconvene: 7:25 p.m.

President Anderson reconvened the meeting at 7:25 p.m. and stated that no action was taken.

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion moved by Vice-President Roman, seconded by Member A. K. Sutch to approve publication of Highspire Borough Ordinance #648 of 2023 authorizing the selection, condemnation and appropriation of a permanent easement and temporary construction easement across a portion of certain land situated in the Borough of Highspire, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, for municipal purposes, to include the

construction, use and maintenance of certain improvements to a stormwater culvert under Poplar Street, and authorizing the filing of a Declaration of Taking and all necessary action for the acquisition thereof. Member Thatcher abstained. Motion approved.

Motion moved by Member Thatcher, seconded by Vice-President Roman to approve Highspire Borough Resolution #12 of 2023 authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, improving and /or extending its HVAC replacement of the Highspire Municipal Building facility to serve an area lawfully within its jurisdiction to serve. Motion approved unanimously.

President Anderson asked if any members have any questions under "New Business".

Member Thatcher asked Manager Stonbraker when advertising a Borough ordinance, does the Borough pay for each individual ordinance to be advertised or is it billed as one. Manager Stonbraker stated that he keeps the ordinances separate so the ordinances are billed separate.

Manager Stonbraker informed members that there will be an addition of another resolution for repairs to Lumber Street on the April 18, 2023 meeting agenda.

Members discussed MS4 and stormwater issues.

Manager Stonbraker noted that he is working on a letter to be signed and mailed to Senator DiSanto thanking him for the \$1 million grant that was awarded to the Authority project.

Solicitor Cassidy informed members that the Borough will need to have a Bond Council for the HVAC project.

With no other action to be taken, President Anderson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion moved by Member R. Sutch, seconded by Member Vice-President to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deanna J. Proctor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Deanna J. Proctor
Assistant Borough Manager