

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Williamsport was held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2020, telephonically, with the following officers present – Mike Hutchison, Council President and Council Members Jim Lanham and Traci Latoz. Also present were Bill Lucas, Clerk-Treasurer, Town Attorneys Ingrid Barce and Mallory Redlin, Amy Cushman, Vickie Strickler, Ted Latoz, Kevin Strickler, Mark Hutson, Trajan Trajanovski, and Miles Stucky.

Mike Hutchison called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and advised all in attendance that the meeting was being recorded.

Mike Hutchison asked if anyone was in attendance regarding disconnects and past due balances. Amy Cushman stated that she had spoken to Tyleigh Henry and she will continue to pay \$150.00/wk towards her past due balance.

Bill Lucas stated that he would like utility notices sent out to past due accounts that will be eligible for disconnect when they resume in June. Mike Hutchison and Traci Latoz agreed. Amy Cushman will draft a letter to be sent to utility customers with delinquent accounts that will be eligible for disconnection in June.

Vickie Strickler discussed opening the pool for the summer. Per state guidelines, the pool can only operate at 50% capacity through June 14th. The Health Department has recommended that people bring their own chairs, and that none be furnished at this time. Sanitization stations will need set up for the concession stands. Face masks must be worn until June 14th, but after that, they become optional. Vickie stated she would like to open June 14th, so some restrictions would be lifted.

Vickie Strickler also discussed running the Park Program from June 29-July 31 this year.

Traci Latoz discussed the possibility of extending the pool season through Labor Day if schools don't open.

Kevin Strickler stated that the 50% capacity would run through July 4th, not June 14th.

Jim Lanham made a motion to open the pool on June the 14th with the recommendations Vickie Strickler has given. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Kevin Strickler asked if the Council would like him to pursue the Community Crossings Grant this year.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to have Kevin Strickler pursue the Community Crossings Grant. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Mark Hutson asked the Council if they wanted to pursue the quote received for silencers for the blowers being installed during the sewer project. The quote was for around \$20,000.00.

Bill Lucas stated we would need to know if the funding for the silencers would come out of the grant money or the loan for the sewer project. Mark Hutson will find out.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to ratify two leak adjustments approved via email in April for Roy Anderson and John Peterson. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Mike Hutchison discussed two sewer adjustments that were brought up in November 2019, but were never formally approved. Traci Latoz made a motion to approve both sewer adjustments. Mike Hutchison seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Trajan Trajanovski with Kuri Tech was in attendance to discuss a tax abatement. Kuri Tech is not in Williamsport town limits. The abatement would need to go through the County Council. Ingrid Barce will check with the County Council in the morning and get back with Trajan Trajanovski with Kuri Tech.

Miles Stucky stated they are waiting on an estimate for the tennis courts.

Miles Stucky stated someone has backed into the Williamsport Falls Sign and would like to have the new sign Steve Smith is donating put in as soon as possible.

Miles Stucky stated there are people getting behind the fenced in area at the Falls by crossing Town property by the empty white house on East Monroe and would like to know if some fencing could go up to stop that.

Jim Lanham discussed increasing employee insurance and changing the structure of how insurance is charged to employees. Jim would like to change the structure to a tiered option in

which employee only coverage would cost \$85.00/per pay; employee plus one would cost \$120.00/per pay; and employee plus two or more would cost \$125.00/per pay.

Jim Lanham made a motion to approve the insurance increase and change to the tier structure as mentioned. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Bill Lucas asked the Council what they wanted to charge employees for life and AD&D insurance if they opted out of medical/dental/vision coverage.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to charge \$10/month for Life and AD&D to an employee that opts out of all other insurance coverage. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Ingrid Barce introduced Resolution 2020-0507A establishing and naming Falls Branch Park.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to pass Resolution 2020-0507A. Traci Latoz seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Ingrid Barce introduced Ordinance 2020-0507B relating to off-road vehicles in the Town of Williamsport. The Council requested that Paragraphs 10, 11, and 12 of the presented ordinance, concerning registering off-roading vehicles with the Town, be removed.

Traci Latoz made a motion to pass Ordinance 2020-0507B as amended. Mike Hutchison seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Ingrid Barce discussed an SB-1 for TMF for a tax abatement on 23 pieces of new equipment that will cost approximately \$800,000.00.

The Council would like to table the declaratory resolution for granting tax abatement to TMF on their new equipment, pending further review and discussion. Mike Hutchison will set up a meeting with Lori VanMeter to discuss the tax abatement and report back to the Council.

Mallory Redlin advised the Council to ratify the COVID-19 Resolutions passed on the evening of March 18, 2020.

Traci Latoz made a motion to approve the employment-related COVID-19 Resolution passed on March 18th. Mike Hutchison second the motion. Voted and passed.

Traci Latoz made a motion to pass the March 18th resolution relating to utility disconnects and COVID-19. Jim Lanham seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Jud Barce stated the deadline for TMF's tax abatement was moved to June 15th.

Mike Hutchison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Lanham seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

With no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

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