

**BRIAR CREEK BOROUGH**  
**August 3, 2022**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

President W. Bruce Michael called the meeting to order at 7PM. The Pledge Allegiance to the Flag was recited, followed by a Moment of Silence.

Roll call of Council Members was taken. Present: Mayor Harold Kershner, Jr, W. Bruce Michael, David Kershner, Ed Fenton, Joseph Riggio, James Seeley, Larry Santora, and James Long. Other officials present were Secretary Carol Kieser and Zoning Officer, Larry Frace. Absent: Solicitor and Engineer.

No Citizens were present.

Minutes of June29 Work Session and July 6, 2022 Regular Council Meeting were approved as recorded.

No citizen's comments or complaints were received.

Mayor's Report – No report.

Solicitor's Report – No report.

Engineer's Report – No report.

Zoning Officer's Report - Larry Frace submitted and discussed the July 2022 Zoning Report. Scott Berlin has hired an Amish construction company to work on trailers in the Heritage Hills Mobile Home Park (Lark Drive). Five magistrate hearings are scheduled for Scott Berlin and six certified letters mailed to owners of trailers on Lark Drive.

Owner of the welding shop, located at 30 E Rittenhouse Road, has applied for permits for a parking lot and addition to the welding shop. Discussion was held regarding zoning of this property.

A letter was sent to Shannon Properties and gave him a list of options for leasing part of his warehouse.

Samples were taken from the old fire-proof filing cabinet in the office to test for asbestos. Results are not back yet.

The flood map received from FEMA is not complete for the Briar Creek Borough. Panel #266 is needed to complete the whole section of the borough. Larry Frace is currently reviewing all the flood maps.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Carol Kieser submitted the list of invoices, bank account balances and registers. Motion was made Jim Long/seconded by Ed Fenton to approve the Secretary's Report. Motion carried; no opposed.

#### Committee Reports

Law and Finance – CD is maturing on 08/11/22. Discussion was held to add \$150,000 from the General Fund to the CD. Motion by Jim Seeley/seconded Jim Long to combine the additional \$150,000 and the maturing CD into an 11-month CD. Motion carried/no opposed.

Highways & Streets – The 5-year Summer Maintenance and Mowing contract for Mike Winder which was voted on at the 07/27/2022 work session was signed.

Discussion was held regarding Bob Vosburg's request to have cinders and salt delivered to his storage area, located off Old Rt. 4. Larry Frace to inspect the storage area and report back to council.

Buildings and Grounds – Discussion held to have trees taken down in the pavilion area and finish taking the tree down on borough property along Park Road at the trailer park entrance, which recently broke and closed the road. Motion by Jim Long/seconded Joseph Riggio to remove the trees based on recommendation of Buildings and Grounds Committee. Motion carried; no opposed.

Motion was made by Bruce Michael/seconded Jim Seeley to get quotes to replace the entrance doors. Motion carried/no opposed.

BAJSA – No report.

BIDA – No report.

#### Old and Unfinished Business

Streetlights to be installed next week on Ash Alley.

No report on the PennDot RT 11 Project.

Design for pavilion project is close to being completed per Matt Hess.

TV was installed for the Audio/Video Project. Waiting on Koala Computers to build the podium and complete the wiring for the computer hookup.

Ron Samsel (BCT Planning Commission) will email planning commission checklist to office.

No additional information on the Berwick Borough/Briar Creek Borough Recycling. Past Berwick Borough Manager, Shane Pepe, is out of the office and Jim Long will contact him when he returns.

New Business

Motion by Dave Kershner/seconded Larry Santora to enact Ordinance #191 of 2022, *2021 International Property Maintenance Code*. Motion carried/no opposed.

Motion by Jim Seeley/seconded Joseph Riggio to adopt Resolution #6 of 2022, *A Resolution to Repeal Resolution #2 of 2019 and Set the Fee to Appeal a Violation of the IPMC*. Motion carried; no opposed.

Motion by Ed Fenton/seconded Larry Santora to contact Max Sitler (BCT Chairman) and express the council's interest in becoming involved in the preliminary discussion for a Combined Municipal Group. Motion carried/no opposed.

No further business. Motion by Larry Santora/seconded Joseph Riggio to adjourn. Motion carried; no opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM

Respectfully submitted:  
Carol A Kieser, Borough Manager