

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

March 5, 2018

7:00 PM

Council members present were: Mr. Rapp, Ms. Jordan, Mr. Blatt, Ms. Halleman, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Trotter, and Mr. Trabel. Also, in attendance were Mayor Gifford, Anthony Branco, Executive Administrator, Fire Chief Boeher, Sgt. Hochwarter, the Bethlehem Press, and guests.

Council President Rapp called the meeting to order and asked for everyone to rise for the Pledge to the Flag

Council President asked Council for a motion to accept the minutes of the January 24, 2018 meeting. The motion was made by Ms. Jordan to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Trotter, and approved unanimously.

Council President asked Council for a motion to accept the minutes of the February 5, 2018 meeting. The motion was made by Mr. Trotter to accept the minutes, seconded by Ms. Jordan, and approved unanimously

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Discussion on Agenda Items - None

PRESENTATIONS:

- Mr. John Spadaccia presented to Council plans for a Memorial to Veterans to be erected at the Spiegel Triangle funded by the Fountain Hill American Legion Post 406.
- The plan calls for a Memorial wall with plaques for the Army, Navy, Marine Corp., and Coast Guard. These plaques are to honor Veterans who have served in the military. There will also be a plaque listing the American Legion Post 406 Committee Members; Gerhart C. Bassett, Commander, John L. Spadaccia, Judge Advocate, James B. Taglang, Financial Officer, and Robert S. Barnes, Adjutant.
- Mr. Spadaccia suggested to Council that the brick pavers as well as the 4 granite benches that are part of the plan be purchased by the public, and their names be engraved on the bricks and benches. Mr. Branco will check into the details of the fund raiser.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Gifford presented to Council the February Police report.

Mayor Gifford informed Council that the next clean-up day will be in April. She also stated that the Fountain Hill Business Alliance had met again and worked on the Community Day program.

The date will be June 9, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 3 PM at the Stanley Avenue Park. The rain date is June 16, 2018.

EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Branco informed Council of the following:

- The Borough will be receiving Liquid Fuels money for 2018 in the amount of \$131,130.05
- Opening day for Fountain Hill Little League is on April 14, 2018 at 10:00 AM.

RESOLUTIONS – N/A

ORDINANCES – N/A

MOTIONS

- Broughal Middle School – baseball field request 3-6-2018 through 5-18-2018 (all documents received)

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Philip Trabel		X	X			
Leo Atkinson			X			
Hellen Halleman			X			
Annamarie Jordon			X			
Norman Blatt	X		X			
Doug Trotter			X			
Larry Rapp			X			
Mayor Gifford						

OLD BUSINESS

- Quality of Life Ordinance – tabled on 2/21/2018 to 3/21/2018

ORDINANCE NO. 840

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL BY AMENDING CHAPTER 11, PART 3, WHICH ADOPTED THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, 2009 EDITION, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF ENUMERATED "QUALITY OF LIFE" VIOLATIONS BY THE ISSUANCE OF A VIOLATION TICKET BY THE BOROUGH CODE OFFICIAL; TO SET FORTH PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION; TO PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF UNPAID FINES AND COSTS, INCLUDING THE LIENING OF PROPERTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND REPEALER OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 31 at 10 AM at the Stanley Avenue Park.
- Mr. Rapp informed Council that the Borough has received notification that the 901 Recycling grant is open. Mr. Rapp asked Council if they would like Mr. Branco to apply for the grant to purchase a skid loader that is used for the collection/management of the woody material collected.
Ms. Jordan made a motion to direct Mr. Branco to move forward with the grant, seconded by Mr. Trotter. The motion passed unanimously

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance (Trotter, Blatt, Jordan)

Mr. Trotter informed Council that the bills have been paid, but since the resignation of Ms. Sebesta as the Finance Officer, the office staff is still working on the use of Quickbooks.

	Motion	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Philip Trabel			X			
Leo Atkinson			X			
Hellen Halleman			X			
Annamarie Jordon		X	X			
Norman Blatt			X			
Doug Trotter	X		X			

Larry Rapp
Mayor Gifford

		X			

B. Public Works (**Jordan**, Rapp, Trotter)

Ms. Jordan read the January report.

B. Police (**Rapp**, Trotter, Blatt) – No Report

C. House & Ordinances (**Blatt**, Halleman, Rapp)

Mr. Branco was directed to schedule a H&O Committee meeting.

D. Fire (**Atkinson**, Trabel, Halleman)

Mr. Atkinson read the fire report for February.

E. Recreation (**Trabel**, Jordan, Blatt)

Mr. Trabel informed Council that the Recreation Committee will meet on March 12 at 11:00 AM in Borough Hall.

G. Health & Sanitation (**Halleman**, Jordan, Trabel)

Ms. Halleman read the report from Northeast Collections.

H. Personnel (**Trotter**, Blatt, Rapp) – No Report

SPECIAL OR SELECT COMMITTEES

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Discussion on Non - Agenda Items

Executive Session – as required

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Atkinson made the motion to adjourn at 7:40 seconded by Mr. Trabel and approved unanimously.

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
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By: _____
Lawrence E. Rapp, President of Council

ATTEST:

By: _____
Anthony Branco, Secretary