

**CENTRE HALL BOROUGH COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES  
April 13, 2017**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** President Joe Hammaker; Vice-President Norma Crater; Patricia Krisch; Kathryn Long; and William Guisewhite;

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Kenny Strouse, Supervisor, Maintenance, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer;  
Philip Orndorf, Jr., Maintenance, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer;  
Beth Araujo, Secretary; Ray Hankinson, Mayor; and John R. Miller, III, Solicitor;

**CITIZENS PRESENT:** Kimberly Bair, Centre Hall Librarian;

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-President Norma Crater called the Public Hearing of the Centre Hall Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** John R. Miller, III, Solicitor stated that this Public Hearing is for the purpose of considering the addition of Public Libraries as permitted uses in the Single Family Residential (R-2) Zoning District with a minimum lot size of 0.75 acre; it was properly advertised as such in both March 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> Centre Daily Times; the Borough Council was provided comments from both the Centre County Planning Office and the Centre Hall Borough Planning Commission which recommended approval.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Kimberly Bair, Centre Hall Librarian, was in favor of allowing Public Libraries being included in the Single Family Residential (R-2) Zoning.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 6:45 p.m., there being no other comments, the Public Hearing was closed by Vice-President Norma Crater.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth Ann Araujo, CGA,  
Centre Hall Borough Secretary

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**CITIZENS PRESENT:**

Relay for Life – Bob Barry and Cindy Ross  
Penns Valley High School – Class Requirement – Virginia Stattel, Hayden Smith, Ryan Long;  
Sidewalk Bids – Dennis Heggenstaller, Nittany Engineering & Associates, LLC;  
Armond Aquilino, H&R Excavating; Patrick Aukerson, Straight Edge Concrete;  
Patty & Randy Bracken, BCS Construction Inc.;

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-President Norma Crater called the meeting of the Centre Hall Borough Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**CITIZENS:**

1. Bob Barry stated that the Relay-for-Life event will take place on the Grange Fair Grounds on June 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 am. He requested permission to begin the event with shooting off a cannon with a blank. Philip Orndorf, Jr. was asked to contact the Centre County 911 office notifying them of this event. A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson William Guisewhite, to approve the shooting off the cannon with a blank to begin the Relay-for-Life event on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am: Ayes - 6; Nays - 0. Motion passed.

**OPENING OF SIDEWALK BID PROPOSALS:**

LandServe	\$121,660.85	Harger Utility Contractors Inc.	\$211,193.50
G & R Charles Excavating LTD	\$157,075.91	Mid-State Paving	\$223,709.70
Straight Edge Concrete	\$172,500.00	BCS Construction	\$229,390.00
R.C. Bowman Inc.	\$177,800.00	Glenn O Hawbaker, Inc.	\$254,190.75
H & R Excavating, Inc.	\$198,935.00	Kishmo, Inc.	\$275,221.13

A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson Pat Krisch to award the Sidewalk Bid Proposal to the lowest bidder - LandServe for \$121,660.85 subject to approval of the Solicitor and Engineer: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

**OPENING OF 2017 PAVING BID PROPOSALS:**

HRI, Inc.	\$31,820.00
Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc.	\$33,124.50

A motion was made by Councilperson Kathryn Long and was seconded by Councilperson William Guisewhite to award the 2017 Paving Bid to the lowest bidder - HRI, Inc. for \$31,820.00: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

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**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson Kathryn Long, to approve the Minutes of the March 9, 2017 Council Meeting: Ayes - 5; Nays - 0. Motion passed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** A motion was made by Councilperson Patricia Krisch and was seconded by Councilperson William Guisewhite, to approve the Financial Statement as presented for the month of March, and to continue to pay the bills: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

**ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:**

1. Two warning parking tickets were written.
2. One Permit for a Change of Use - Bakery

**STATE OF THE BOROUGH REPORT:**

1. Two additional areas need paving this spring: part of Logan Alley and Arney Alley. One quote has been received. Kenny to get more quotes for the next meeting.
2. Brush was collected
3. Leaves were collected
4. Swept cinders along Pennsylvania Avenue
5. Before the new sidewalks are installed the catch basin Stormwater pipe will need replaced. A quote was received for 100 feet of pipe and bands for \$1,638.41. A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson Patricia Krisch, to approve purchasing and replacing the Stormwater pipe and bands before the sidewalk replacement installation begins: Ayes - 5; Nays - 0. Motion passed.
6. Discussion was held about Walter Yearick's porch step that broke after installation of the sidewalks in 2009 – 2010. This was brought to Council's attention in the past and still has not been corrected. A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson Kathryn Long, to approve hiring a contractor to replace this step: Ayes - 5; Nays - 0. Motion passed.
7. The Borough office has received several complaints about the old church steeple falling at 208 W. Church Street. Council requested a letter of concern be sent to the owners.
8. Jacob Conklin spoke with Kenny Strouse about vehicular speeding on SR144. He contacted PennDOT about lowering the speed limit. PennDOT told him that the municipality would have to do a traffic study which after reviewing PennDOT would consider lowering the speed limit.
9. Kenny asked if the Council wished for Maxwell to paint crosswalks and parking areas again this year. A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson Patricia Krisch, to approve Maxwell repainting crosswalks and parking lines as needed for less than \$4,000.00: Ayes - 5; Nays - 0. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Public Hearing follow-up - A motion was made by Councilperson William Guisewhite and was seconded by Councilperson Kathryn Long to authorize John R. Miller, III, Solicitor to prepare and advertise an Ordinance to include Public Libraries in the Single-family Residential (R-2) zoning area with minimum .75 acre: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson William Guisewhite, to approve signing Resolution 2017-2 authorizing the Centre Hall Borough to apply for a DCNR grant for the Tri-Municipal Park for itself and on behalf of Gregg Township and Potter Township: Ayes - 5; Nays - 0. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS - Continued:**

2. Penns Valley Building Supply, in which the Centre Hall Borough has an account, requested an updated credit application. Vice-President Norma Crater will sign on behalf of the Council.
3. A motion was made by Councilperson William Guisewhite and was seconded by Councilperson Kathryn Long to allow the Grange Fair to submit a permit application to PennDOT, and to contact the Pennsylvania State Police, that traffic is to be controlled by Flagger Force on S. Pennsylvania Avenue August 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 2017 from 4:00pm - 11:00pm: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE (INCOMING):**

1. The Borough was not selected to receive financial assistance from the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) “PA Small Water and Sewer Fund” that was applied for the replacement of 28 Fire Hydrants and a portion of the water main on East Locust Street.
2. The Centre County West Nile Virus Surveillance and Control season will begin on May 1, 2017. This year PADEP will be testing crows, blue jays, hawks, and owls.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

The Karoondinha Music and Arts Festival will be July 21-23, 2017. They are looking for community involvement in preparation and cleanup.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** Nothing else to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. **STREETS –COOPER** – Nothing new to report.
- B. **WATER – DUTROW** – Nothing new to report. Kenny Strouse stated that the American Legion ball field tap was completed today.
- C. **POLICE – GUISEWHITE** – Nothing new to report.
- D. **SOLID WASTE AND SIDEWALKS – KRISCH** – Nothing new to report.
- E. **LIGHTS AND NUISANCE – LONG** – Nothing new to report.
- F. **FIRE TAX – GUISEWHITE** – Met last evening – everything looking good. Kenny Strouse reminded everyone that a joint meeting/presentation is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> at Potter Township at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Fire Company’s 5-10-15 year plan.
- G. **FINANCE – CRATER** – Nothing new to report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 7:53 p.m., it was moved by President Joe Hammaker and was seconded by Councilperson William Guisewhite to adjourn the meeting: Ayes – 5; Nays – 0. Motion Passed.

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