

Palmyra Borough Council Meeting
 Tuesday, April 26, 2022
 7:00 PM

President Beth Shearer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of the Palmyra Municipal Center, located at 325 S. Railroad St. Other Council members in attendance included Don Barry, Anthony Catalani, William Garber, Tom Miller, Jane Quairoli, and James Tesche. Also, in attendance were Mayor Fred Carpenter, Police Chief Andy Winters, Borough Manager Roger Powl, and Assistant Borough Manager Brenda Pera.

Public Comment Period #1

- Dave McCloskey, 212 E. Ridge, informed Council that the farmer planted the field above his property with north/south rows instead of east/west rows which will increase stormwater runoff.

Consent Calendar

The following agenda items were acted upon by a single motion:

- a. Approve the minutes of the April 12, 2022 Borough Council meeting.
- b. Approve the Treasurer’s Report for the period March 1 through March 31, 2022:

	General Fund	Sewer Fund	Refuse Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Special Sewer Fund	Liquid Fuels Fund
YTD Revenue	\$715,479	\$401,565	\$285,100	\$27,640	\$833	\$217,074
YTD Expenses	\$626,752	\$326,155	\$262,071	\$27,013	\$20,183	\$0
Difference	\$88,727	\$75,410	\$23,029	\$627	\$(19,350)	\$217,074
Fund Balance	\$728,846	\$195,335	\$257,131	\$1,351,225	\$2,184,541	\$265,770

	Library Tax Fund	Police Health Care Fund	Joint Fire Apparatus Fund	Cemetery Fund	Employee Benefits Fund	Fire Protection Tax Fund
YTD Revenue	\$2,883	\$0	\$60	\$21	\$180	\$37,585
YTD Expenses	\$0	\$2,508	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,927
Difference	\$2,883	\$(2,508)	\$60	\$21	\$180	\$17,659
Fund Balance	\$6,478	\$260,184	\$120,721	\$42,670	\$364,289	\$17,659

Motion: To approve the consent calendar. Motion by Jane Quairoli, second by James Tesche. Motion passed.

Action & Discussion Items

a. 320-330 W. Main Street (Mrakovich - Filling Station) Consent Agreement:

Motion: To authorize the Council President and Mayor to execute the Consent Agreement between the Borough and Michael & Nathan Mrakovich to enable violations on the properties to be brought into compliance with the Zoning Ordinance & Stormwater Management Ordinance. Motion by Jane Quairoli, second by James Tesche. Motion passed.

Reports

- a. President's Report: President Shearer reported that the Palmyra Garden Club is hosting their annual plant sale on May 7th at Memorial Park.
- b. Fire Department: Mr. Powl reported a small sinkhole opened along the west side of the firehouse driveway ramp and was repaired with 1.5-yards of concrete by Public Works.
- c. Library Report: Councilor Quairoli provided a copy of the April 2022 report and the 2021 Library Use report for the Borough. She explained that "computer time" was estimated based on the materials borrowed.
- d. Police Department: Chief Winters provided a copy of the April 2022 report. He reported that the graffiti culprit spraying "DEMS" throughout the Borough has been caught. He also commented that police vehicle #P-50 involved in the January 2022 accident should be back in service next week. All vehicles have now been equipped with a Lebanon County modem and internet connection which enables the car videos to be uploaded to the County's Cloud storage. Chief Winters also stated that all eight applicants have passed the Civil Service written test and the physical agility test is scheduled for May 7th.
- e. Recreation Commission: Councilor Quairoli did not have a copy of the report because the Commission just met on April 20th.
- f. Solicitor's Report: Solicitor Cleary finally received comments from the solicitor for the new owners of ShadowStone for the stormwater easement agreement. They provided comments that are being reviewed by the Borough Solicitor to revise the agreement.
- g. Borough Manager's Report:
Mr. Powl commented that the Borough is receiving park surveys from the residents and the results will be ready for discussion at the May 10th meeting. He also informed Council that the sewer Significant Industrial User Discharge Permits were completed and have been mailed to ASK Foods, Inc., and Palmyra Bologna Company.

Other Business

- Councilor Quairoli commented that the Palmyra Krypton Cougars Club qualified for and attended the first World Championship competition for robotics in Houston, TX last week and placed in the top eight world finalists out of 453 teams competing. Their four team "Turing Alliance" was narrowly defeated by the opposing four team "Galileo Alliance" in the finals. The event was sponsored by *FIRST*[®] (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), which is a robotics community that prepares young people for the future through a suite of inclusive, team-based robotics programs for ages 4-18.

- Councilor Miller announced that he is a member of SAMBA (Susquehanna Area Mountain Bike Association) and has asked them to consider looking at the installation of a bike skills park on the Shaffer-Erb tract on East Cherry Street behind Member's 1st. The Association has expressed an interest in helping to determine if this type of park can be implemented at that location and will be making a presentation to Council at a future public meeting with their findings.
- President Shearer shared an email she received from a resident that is interested in having a street hockey rink constructed.

Public Comment Period #2

- Greg Reed, 233 E. Hazel Street, commented that the North Side Elementary School used to have a street hockey rink and lighted basketball courts, but the school district removed them.

Announcement

President Shearer announced that Borough Council will conduct its next public meetings on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, and Tuesday, May 24, 2022 beginning at 7:00 PM.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jane Quairola, second by Don Barry. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger E. Powl
Borough Manager