

City of Dover Meeting Minutes February 2019

February 7, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Mayor Roger Ihrke, Council members Melinda Kieffer, Dave Iseminger, Jaime Putzier, Cameron Johnson and City Clerk/Treasurer Gary Pedersen by phone; absent- none. Others in attendance were: Jill Veerkamp-St. Charles Press and Mike from M & M snow removal.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Ihrke at 7:00 PM.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Johnson to approve the proposed agenda with moving the snow removal discussion to first on the agenda. Motion carried.

The Council addressed issues that have come up about snow removal and plowing in the City during this winter season. Discussion took place on the plowing especially in the cul-de-sacs and issues both because of the design and a lack of good areas to push the snow. It was noted, that many driveways are oversized in these areas which do not allow for areas to push snow, some may have to allow snow to be piled on their driveways when needed. It was also brought up that many of the residents do not realize that the first 10 feet off the curb is city right of way, and actually the utility easement is beyond that point. These areas are used for snow storage, flagging this property and keeping snow from being pushed off the street is creating problems too. Even though, we understand why the property owners want to protect their lawn areas and we respect that. The Council told Mike, they want to protect and

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respect the owners wishes as much as they can, but realize we have to get the snow off the streets. It was also noted that some residents have been blowing or shoveling snow from their driveways onto the street, which they cannot do. It is the owner's responsibility to remove or move the snow to a place on their own property. The Council and Mike agreed that this winter is a trying one.

Motion by member Iseminger seconded by member Johnson to approve meeting minutes from the January meeting. The motion carried.

Motion by member Kieffer and seconded by member Iseminger to pay the bills as presented including the list Mayor Ihrke presented and accept the financial reports. The motion carried.

Discussion took place on the process and fees to be charged for booking and renting City Facilities for 2019. It was decided, that the City Clerk would be in charge of these duties. The Council will decide what the fees should be on the March Council meeting agenda.

By consensus, the Council would like to keep the annual fireworks display the same as previous years with an increase in the cost of about \$455.

The Mayor let the Council members know the annual meeting with the fire department and townships to review the budget will be February 27th.

Member Putzier and member Kieffer will meet with the Clerk to develop a plan on software update for the financial software

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used by the City, and paying electronically for water and sewer bills.

Member Johnson and member Iseminger will meet with the Clerk to work on updating the City Code and Zoning Ordinance.

Motion by member Johnson and seconded by member Kieffer to pay off Custom Alarm and drop their services. Motion carried.

Old business:

A new park street light was tabled until the next meeting, still looking for the best option.

Council Member comments:

Ask Dover Township if they would like a contact person/phone number to be placed on our website for townhall inquires.

Motion by member Iseminger and seconded by member Putzier to adjourn at 8:02 PM.

Gary Pedersen-Dover City Clerk