

The Council of the City of Lower Burrell held a public hearing at 6:45 P.M., Monday, April 11, 2016 to consider at its regular meeting to follow the following ordinance:

An Ordinance Amending the Planning and Zoning Code of the City of Lower Burrell permitting Microbreweries, Wineries, and Microdistilleries as a Special Exception use in the C, Commercial Zones, in the City of Lower Burrell.

The proposed ordinance was available for examination at City Hall, 2800 Bethel Street, Lower Burrell, PA 15068 during business hours Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 5 PM. Copies were available at cost.

Roll call indicated the following present: Councilman Fabry, Councilman Koziarski, Councilman Grillo, Controller Farina, Treasurer Eshbaugh, Public Works Foreman Scott Johnson, Solicitor Yakopec, Mayor Callender, and City Clerk Cook. Absent were Councilman Trozzi and Chief Weitzel.

No testimony was offered. A motion was made to adjourn the hearing.

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The Regular Council Meeting of the City of Lower Burrell was held on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. Roll call indicated the following present: Councilman Fabry, Councilman Koziarski, Councilman Grillo, Controller Farina, Treasurer Eshbaugh, Public Works Foreman Scott Johnson, Solicitor Yakopec, Mayor Callender, and City Clerk Cook. Absent were Councilman Trozzi and Chief Weitzel.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Earned Income Tax Report for March, 2016. (No action needed).
- 2. Collection Service Center for March, 2016.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Councilman Koziarski: The lights are completed at the ball field at Kotecki Park. He thanked Foreman Johnson for his help. A new scoreboard is in the works for the softball field. There was a fund raiser sponsored by the Men’s League. Burrell High School Cross Country Club will be training at Burrell Lake Park. Lower Burrell Recycling Day is Saturday, April 30th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Councilman Fabry: In the Street Department: Salted and applied anti-skid as needed during snow events. Filled potholes and checked various “ice spots” as needed throughout the City. Straightened and replaced street signs/posts where needed in the City. Checked pipes and inlets throughout City before and after rain events. Flipped leaf pile (2) to aid in its breakdown. Removed dead animals as needed from City streets. Assisted Sewer Department in raising manhole on Eastern/Donnell Right of Way and on Westbrook Road. Continued to perform building, vehicle, and small machine maintenance. Performed minor repairs on Excavator and changed oil and all filters. Rebuilt catch basins on Frandor at Leechburg Road, Leechburg Road near Hillcrest Plaza 2nd entrance, New Hampshire/Vermont intersection, and behind rear garage at City Hall. Installed white posts/markers at storm pipe inlets and outlets. Repaired small chimney hole in Tax Office basement. Closed Adult softball field at Kotecki Park for light pole repairs. Assisted contractor with light project at Kotecki Park. Continued sweeping City streets: Thor, Oak, Poplar, Oak Ridge Plan, Crestline, Kenview, Princeton, Colgate, Penn, Cornell, Lori, Route 780, Hartge, Braeburn, Braeburn Heights, Riverview, Brady Plan, Riverview, Wilks, Karrs, Frederick, and Leechburg Road. Removed salt spreaders on almost all trucks. Assisted Police Department by installing VASCAR lines on Craigdell Road. Cleared trees and brush at Indian Fields and York storm basins. Replaced 3’ of storm line on Westbrook, installed Rip Rap at inlet and outlet of pipe. Utilized New Kensington’s Bucket Truck to remove tree limb hanging over the road at 2745 Edith Street (Montana Drive) at Dead End, and Guyer and Kunkle Roads. Utilized our Brush Bandit/Branch Chipper in the process. Disconnected electricity from shed at Burrell Lake Park in preparation for its removal. Removed rear garage from storm system and tapped it into Sanitary System. Assisted New Kensington one day utilizing the Boom Mower and one day with the Sweeper. Conducted monthly safety inspections of Public Works Garages and Buildings. Assisted Sewer Department with raising manhole on Eastern Drive Right of Way. Night crew finished sign reflectivity evaluations; finished painting Detectives office. Night crew ended; Public Works Crew returned to Spring hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on March 7, 2016. Ed Homa attended both the Public Works Safety Meeting and the City Hall Safety Meeting.

In the Sewer Department: Performed sewer lateral inspections at 1696, 1821 and 1825 Wildlife Lodge Road. Installed ball valve on Force Main at Hillcrest Estates Pump Station utilizing Vactor to drain Force Main. Adjusted fence at Little Braeburn Pump Station in order to perform Guide Rail installation. Installed guide rails, brackets, and pump at Little Braeburn Pump Station. Performed camera evaluations during rain events on Alder Right of Way, “Harvey Area,” and Idaho/Montana Right of Way. Continued to perform vehicle maintenance. Located lateral connections on Waugaman Drive for a new home construction. Raised manhole on Eastern Drive Right of Way and replaced broken cleanout and viewport caps at 2940 and 2942 Leechburg Road. Assisted Street Department with catch basin cleaning/repairs; cleaned inlet of storm pipe on Lori Drive with Vactor. Performed PA One Calls as needed. Performed root cut maintenance on Idaho/Montana Right of Way, Westbrook, Jefferson, Nebraska. Installed green marker posts on Wildlife Lodge Road Sewer Extension Project (Carson and Nanak area still need to be completed). Assisted Street Department in clearing streets; cleaned parking lots and sidewalks during snow events. Installed catwalk in dry wells at Hillcrest and Indiana Pump Stations for safety during maintenance work. Checked, cleaned, and greased pump stations; cleaned floats and checked grinders; performed end of month cleaning. Compiled a list of lateral violations, downloaded data from camera, and updated Pendant. Conducted monthly Safety Inspections of all Pump Stations. Foreman Scott Johnson, Eric Haser, and Bill Thomey attended a seminar entitled, “Responsibilities of Clean Water Professionals” on March 17, 2016, in Meadville, PA, for CEU accreditation. Assisted Street Department in tapping rear garage into Sanitary System. Terry Anderson attended both the Public Works Safety Meeting and the City Hall Safety Meeting.

Councilman Fabry asked Foreman Johnson to please reiterate to the men for the fantastic job and to keep up the good work. He also took the opportunity to promote Burrell Entertaining and Activities Team (BEAT). The next BEAT meeting will be Wednesday, May 3rd at 7 PM at city hall. BEAT always needs volunteers and new ideas.

Councilman Grillo: The monthly report for building permit and correspondence for ordinance violations was on file as well as the occupancy inspection report for March, 2015.

Controller Farina: No report.

Public Works Foreman Johnson: Mr. Johnson took the opportunity to report on several projects that public works is working on, such as upgrading catch basins and storm lines throughout the city and doing miscellaneous jobs at Kotecki Park. The sewer crew is out during wet weather evaluating the sanitary system with the camera. They are also evaluating any laterals that have major water coming in. As soon as the weather cooperates and the asphalt plants open, they will take care of what Mother Nature has destroyed.

Treasurer Eshbaugh: There was no treasurer's report due to the bank switching the way they issue bank statements.

Solicitor Yakopec: Solicitor Yakopec felt that public hearings could be held at the beginning of a regular council meeting if desired.

City Clerk Cook: An update to a residents concern of R. V.'s in her neighborhood, Ordinance Officer Nedley has sent out two letters this past week asking for the homeowner's cooperation. One resident will start storing their trailer elsewhere and only parking it at the residence before taking trips. The second gentleman stated he has talked to the neighbors and no one had a problem; he was encouraged to talk to other neighbors.

Mayor Callender: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Acknowledged Burrell student athletes, i.e. Bowling Team, Gymnastics Team, Girls Basketball, and the Wrestling team.

2) Motion by Councilman Grillo, second by Mayor Callender to appoint Allan Lingenfelter to fill vacancy on the Planning Commission. All three candidates were excellent. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Grillo: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE. 4 "AYES." All in favor.

3) Motion by Councilman Grillo, second by Councilman Fabry to approve third and final reading for Ordinance # 1-2016 - An ordinance amending the planning and zoning code of the City of Lower Burrell permitting microbreweries, wineries, and microdistilleries in C, Commercial Zones, in the City of Lower Burrell. A public hearing was held before tonight's council meeting at 6:45 PM with no comments. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Grillo: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE. 4 "AYES." All in favor.

4) Motion by Councilman Grillo, second by Mayor Callender to approve third and final reading of Ordinance # 3-2015 – Dangerous Structures Ordinance. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Grillo: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE. 4 "AYES." All in favor.

5) Motion to by Councilman Fabry, second by Mayor Callender to approve the Safety Committee's Mission Statement. Roll call vote indicated: Councilman Fabry: AYE; Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Grillo: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE. 4 "AYES." All in favor.

6) Motion by Mayor Callender, second by Councilman Koziarski to approve Cooperative Partnership Agreement with the Westmoreland Conservation District. Roll call vote indicated: Mayor Callender: AYE; Councilman Koziarski: AYE; Councilman Grillo: AYE; Councilman Fabry: AYE. 4 "AYES." All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business coming before council, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM.

Kelly Biddle Cook, City Clerk

Richard Callender, Mayor

**NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.**