

The Bloomsburg Town Council held a meeting on Monday, March 28, 2022 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall and via teleconference. The public joined by dialing: +1 646 558 8656 U.S. and included the meeting ID: 456-920-3798. The public could also join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4569203798>.

Mayor Justin Hummel called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., present were Council Members Toni Bell, James Garman, Vince DeMelfi, Nick McGaw and James Huber (via Zoom), Town Manager/ Secretary/ Treasurer Lisa Dooley, Director of Finance Kathy Smith, Director of Public Works John Fritz, Chief of Police Scott Price, Fire Chief Scott McBride, Director of Governmental Services Charles Fritz, Director of Code Enforcement Mike Reffeor, Code Officer Kyle Bauman, Airport Coordinator BJ Teichman. Also present were Eric Ness, Tina Welch, Dan Knorr, Kathlyn Holdren, Dan Klingerman, Dave Klingerman, Corey Kreisler, Davids I-Pad, Barbara Coladonato, Andrew Barton, Rich Kisner, and M.J. Mahon. Absent was Bonnie Crawford.

Citizens to be heard.

Kathlyn Holdren & Penny Davis- Kathlyn Holdren would like to spread the word about RSVP of Columbia and Montour Counties, a non-profit organization through AmeriCorps Seniors sponsored by Diakon. This program places volunteer seniors in work place settings.

Tina Welch- Read a prepared statement regarding airport operations, see attachment.

LIVIC Civil- Andrew Barton presented a reservation platform for the Town Park that will allow the general public to make their own reservation through the Town's ArcGIS website. Reservations will be on a first-come, first-served basis and the fee has been eliminated this year.

Council remarks.

The following executive sessions were held:

March 14, 2022 from 8:13 p.m.- 8:42 p.m. regarding the potential sale of Town owned property, pool contractor removal, and update on codes personnel hiring.

March 28, 2022 from 6:30 p.m.- 7:03 p.m. regarding a Public Works/ Recycling personnel matter and also a police civil service regulation legal update.

PROCLAMATION- SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH APRIL 2022.

Mayor Hummel read a proclamation proclaiming April as Sexual Assault Awareness month.

RESOLUTION 03.28.2022.01- DCNR GRANT APPLICATION- COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM (C2P2).

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 03.28.2022.01 for the DCNR Grant application for the Community Conversation Partnership Program.

RESOLUTION 03.28.2022.02- DISPOSITION LIST.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 03.28.2022.02 for the disposition of municipal records.

RESOLUTION 03.28.2022.03- FEE RESOLUTION.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved

Resolution 03.28.2022.03 for summer permits of \$70 to \$105 to align with other zone permit fees.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOP FOUR TOWN OWNED PUBLIC PARKING LOTS.

Mayor Hummel opened the floor for public comment period in regards to the UDAG application for financial assistance to develop four Town owned parking lots for rehabilitation. There was no negative feedback received during the comment period.

RESOLUTION 03.28.2022.04 – LOAN RESOLUTION.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved Resolution 03.28.2022.04 for the UDAG loan.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FROM THE 3/14/2022 MEETING.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the minutes from March 14, 2022 meeting with no corrections or additions.

APPROVAL OF THE BOONE DAM REMOVAL AGREEMENT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved entering into an agreement for the removal of Boone Dam.

APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM DELTA AIRPORT CONSULTANTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,200 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES THROUGH FEBRUARY 27, 2022 RELATING THE CRACK SEAL & REMARK PROJECT AT THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on 5 to 1 (Huber voting no), Council approved the invoice from Delta Airport Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$31,200 for professional services through February 27, 2022 relating to the crack seal and remarking project at the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTING FIRE ESCROW FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,832.65 FOR BRENDA MADARA AT 113 HEMLOCK LANE.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved accepting fire escrow funds in the amount of \$2,832.65 for the property owner by Brenda Madara located at 113 Hemlock Lane.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE A QUOTE FROM OVERHEAD DOOR COMPANY OF BERWICK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,190 FOR DOOR PANEL REPLACEMENT AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the quote for Overhead Door Company in the amount of \$1,190 for door panel replacement at the Public Works Department.

APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SNYDER BROTHERS FOR 36 MONTHS AT A RATE OF \$6.09 /MCF (CURRENT RATE WITH UGI IS \$6.36030/MCF).

On a motion N. McGaw, seconded by T. Bell, and voted on unanimously, Council approved entering into an agreement with Snyder Brother's for 36 months at a rate of \$6.09/MCF(current rate with UGI is \$6.36030/MCF).

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$18,929 TO SUSQUEHANNA MUNICIPAL TRUST FOR THE 2021-YEAR END WAGE AUDIT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by V. DeMelfi, and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment in the amount up to \$18,929 to Susquehanna Municipal Trust for the 2021-year end wage audit.

APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM HARRELL AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,330.03.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved an invoice from Harrell Automatic Sprinkler Company, Inc. in the amount of \$2,330.03.

APPROVAL OF AN INVOICE FROM MCTISH, KUNKEL & ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000 FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REGARDING THE TOWN PARK RESTORATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on 5 to 1 (Huber voting no), Council approved an invoice from McTish, Kunkel and Associates in the amount of \$9,000 for professional services regarding the Town Park restoration improvement project.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE A "GENERAL" HANDICAP PARKING SPACE AT 259 WEST FOURTH STREET AT THE SITE OF THE WEST STREET CHURCH PROJECT BY COMMUNITY STRATEGIES GROUP THAT WILL BE RENAMED AT THE OPENING APRIL 22, 2022.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council approved a general handicap parking space at 259 W. 4th Street at the site of the West Street church project by Community Strategies Group that will be renamed at the opening on April 22, 2022.

RECOMMENDATION TO DISSOLVE THE SUB PARKING COMMITTEE AND ALL TOPICS RELATED TO PARKING WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved dissolving the sub parking committee into the Public Safety Committee.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING WAIVERS FOR THE BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE.

On a motion by J. Garman, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved the following waivers for the Bloomsburg University Lycoming Hall addition to be known as the Honors College.

1. A tract map shall be provided which shows the entire outline of the property. (Section 22-403.1.A.(2)(c)).
2. Any propose protective covenants shall be noted on the Plan. (Section 22-403.1.A.(2)(v)).
3. The expansion joint callouts at the details provided on sheet C801 shall be revised to be one and a half inches (1.5") in width. (Section 22-706.E).
4. An emergency spillway shall be incorporated into the design of proposed Basin 1. (Section 22-802.3.G).
5. The proposed bottom of Basin 1 shall have a minimum slope of one and a half percent (1.5%). (Section 22-802.3.J).
6. All proposed drainage pipes shall have a minimum diameter of fifteen inches (15") (Section 22-803.2.A.(4)).

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, Council adjourned into an executive session at 8:13 p.m. and reconvened at 8:56 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/HOUSING INSPECTOR.

On a motion by T. Bell, seconded by N. McGaw, and voted on unanimously, Council approved re-advertising for a Code Enforcement Officer/Housing Inspector.

A motion to adjourn was made by T. Bell, seconded by J. Garman, and voted on unanimously, to adjourn the

meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Lisa Dooley
Town Manager/Secretary/Treasurer

To: Town Council
Date: March 28,2022
Re: Outstanding Airport Operations

Speaking on behalf of many individuals who utilize the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport known as N13, on a frequent basis, we wish to share some observations regarding the amazing operation and management of our airport; and what a vital resource it is for the community. Recently a number of us have had the opportunity to contribute our services to the day to day operation of N13 and witness first-hand the intensity of work that goes on every single day. Knowing not all council members are able to frequent the airport, or be there during times of high activity we felt this a prime time to make you aware of the level of work that goes into managing N13, and to highlight the exceptional work that the Airport Manager does on the Town's, and really the region's, behalf.

Our community airport has developed a reputation as a choice destination for pilots and those traveling for business and pleasure into our area. Pilots put N13 on their flight plans as opposed to other nearby airports due to the customer service, amenities, and family-like treatment they receive when they arrive. Just like your favorite restaurant or hardware store, airports have a "Yelp-like" review system. The positive comments and feedback shared give a ringing endorsement to others that they will have a great experience when they come to Bloomsburg. For those of us who get the opportunity to visit a lot of other airports of similar size, and even larger. it is rare to find another airport that comes close to the level of professionalism and service provided at N13.

The on-going management of the airport, the improvements that have been made in the last few years, the scouring for funding sources, grants, and opportunities for the betterment of N13 all contribute to improvements in economic development and drawing visitors for tourism and business to our Town and the general area. Pilots from other communities with airports of their own choose to rent hangar space and purchase fuel here at N13 because the opportunities offered beyond what is available elsewhere. Our Airport Manager serves on 2 aviation boards. They are the only person representing General Aviation on these boards in the entire state of PA and they have been chosen in part due to the progressive nature of Bloomsburg's airport.

Beyond the positive economic impact the airport operations provide, there is a sense of community and family that permeates all the interactions. This welcoming vibe resonates with our visitors and keeps them coming back. You can see this in examples such as comments on the airport visitors log saying, "*landed to get fuel and to visit with BJ!*" Events such as Community Day, the Dream Machine car show, the Scout Explorer Post and Civil Air Patrol events, collaborations with the Children's Museum, work with local school district's STEM programs; and our Young Eagles, EAA Chapter, Flying Club and Flight School, and frequent use of the conference room by local organizations, are just a few ongoing activities that demonstrate that inclusive culture, and that the airport is a resource for the entire community, not just pilots.

Accomplishing all of this and maintaining the high-level of service is no easy feat. The day to day work that goes into managing airport operations; the balancing of FAA regulations, Town requirements, and airport customer needs is mind-bogglingly complex. The fact that one person leads all of this is beyond comprehension. It is a 24-7, 365 day a year operation that somehow gets done exceedingly well. Knowing the Airport Manager as we do, they will give credit to the amazing team that surrounds them, and the exceptional support and partnership received from their co-workers, pilots, and community members. However it is clearly the Vision of the Airport Manager that encourages and garners the willingness for all of those individuals, including those contributing to this message tonight, to give of their time and their talents towards the success of N13.

Our hope is that this message encourages you to recognize the amazing resource our Town has in the Municipal Airport, and to acknowledge the exceptional and extensive work that goes into its operations. If you haven't visited the airport in a while, stop down and see what takes place. You will likely be very impressed; and you should be very proud to call N13 *YOUR* Municipal Airport.

Sincerely,

Speaking: Tina and Steve Welch

Other supporters:

David Klingerman Jr., Davey Klingerman, Ty Williams, Ryan Segó, George Dalious, Ron Andress, Tom Hall, Dan Broadt, Justin Whitebread, Tedd Tripp, Samuel Anders, Calvin Teats, Steve DePalma, Roy Boyd, John Donahue, Juan Montoya, Russ DeVore, Greir Wilt, Scott Posey, Phil Polstra, Van Troutman, Matt O'Rourke, Kerry Fritz, Dan Murphy, Ryan Segó, Jared Savlov, Mike Kapp, Ty Posey, Mark Humphreys, Dave Truskowski, Anthony Arcuicci, Vishnu Kommineni, David Lerch, Janine Penman, Chase Cannon, Gene Pasker, Jordan Olson, Caleb Williams, Kari Costa, Marty Miller, Kerry Betz, Mike Vogt, Ben Padelski, Tim Miller, Jordan Olsen, Craig Kurzawa, Joe Simpson, Adam Staffin, Rob Staib, Peter Elsdon, John Klinger, Ralph Defrain, Rick Maker, Tom Bowen, Stephen DePalma, Steve Kudrick, Craig Kurzawa, Valerie Williams, Leo Keenan, Denny Stahl, Brian Harman, Caleb Williams, Charles Kurian, Steve Kurian, Charlie Kramer, Cleon Dodge, Dave Kashner, Devon Albrecht, Eric Maschuck, Gene Witherup, Gerald Tipler, Jen Love, Patrick Love, John Yohey, John Debardeleben, Judd Rupert, Mike Hoover, Rick Maker, Sarah Bowen, Shane Wright, Joe Simpson, and other supporters of N13.