

**BOROUGH OF HANOVER**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**PRESS RELEASE: JULY 25, 2020**

Hanover Borough Council met on Wednesday July 22, 2020. The following are the meeting highlights:

1. **COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

**ZONING:** A professional services contract in the amount of \$15,700 was awarded to Gannett Fleming to develop a final draft of a new Zoning Ordinance, based on previous feedback and efforts. Public notice will be advertised for a Fall 2020 public hearing to hear comment on the draft Ordinance. January 2021 is the target date for final adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance.

**FORESTRY MANAGEMENT PLAN:** Council accepted the Forestry Management Plan from Dowling Forestry, LLC for 2,328 acres of Borough-owned watershed land, of which 1,586 acres are forested. Please contact the Borough if you wish to review the plan. Acceptance of the plan will help the Borough to apply for tax relief from the state of Maryland for property located in that state.

**REVISED SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES:** Council adopted a new fee schedule to defray the costs for the Borough to process stormwater, engineering review & inspection, zoning and subdivision and land development permit applications. The revised Fee Resolution can be found at <http://www.hanoverboroughpa.gov/Codes---Regulations.html>.

**229 CARLISLE DEMOLITION AGREEMENT:** The Borough entered into a funding agreement for up to \$70,000 with the York County Land Bank Authority to fund the demolition of 229 Carlisle Street.

**STORMWATER ORDINANCE:** Borough Council voted to advertise a revision to the Stormwater Management Ordinance. The proposed Ordinance will be posted on the Borough's website closer to the August 26, 2020 Council meeting.

**BECK MILL ROAD WATER LINE PROJECT:** Borough Council approved a motion authorizing the Solicitor to prepare a declaratory judgment action with the PUC.

**GUIDELINES FOR WARRANTLESS ARRESTS:** Borough Council approved an ordinance issuing guidelines that align the Police Department's procedures with state law regarding warrantless arrests in certain cases. The new Ordinance is posted at <http://www.hanoverboroughpa.gov/Codes---Regulations.html>.

ORDINANCE ON FEEDING WILD ANIMALS: An Ordinance was approved that prohibits the feeding of wild animals in order to reduce the deer population in residential neighborhoods. The new Ordinance is posted on the Borough's website at <http://www.hanoverboroughpa.gov/Codes---Regulations.html>.

**2. EVENTS**

APPROVED THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL EVENTS TO BE HELD BY THE POTTER'S HOUSE CHURCH:

8/2/20	Gospel Music	Baer Avenue Park
8/8/20	Gospel Music	Baer Avenue Park
8/22/20	Gospel Music	Wirt Park

**3. OTHER NEWS:**

BOROUGH MEETINGS: Due to the 25-person maximum on indoor gatherings set by the PA Secretary of Health to prevent the spread of COVID – 19, Borough Council will hold its Finance and Personnel / Workshop meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup> and its regular meeting of Borough Council on August 26<sup>th</sup> as virtual, on-line meetings. All other public meetings will be held at the Borough Building unless more than 25 people are expected, following social distancing and mask requirements. Borough Council will continue to consider how it will conduct its meetings in September. Directions for the public about how to hear and participate in the virtual meetings are always included at the beginning of the agendas that are posted on the Borough website.

RESIGNATION OF RECREATION DIRECTOR: Council accepted with regret the resignation of Recreation Director Ben Hutton, effective December 31, 2020.