

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
May 1, 2017 at 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on May 1, 2017 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

Council Members: George Anderson, Josh Kilmer, Gary Rouse, Scott Snyder and Josh VanDeMark

Others: Susan Burgess, Mayor; Dale Grover, Ordinance Enforcement & Borough Maintenance; Joanne Vago, Secretary/Treasurer

Public: Dave Keeler (Rocket Courier), Nancy Sharer (The Daily Review), Pam Quentin, David and Nancy Jones

George Anderson, President called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He acknowledged the use of a digital voice recorder.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor did not receive a police report from the State Police. The Mayor will attend the Route 6 Alliance Meeting in Tunkhannock on May 17 and 18th, and attended the April 26th meeting of the Bradford County Borough's Association.

Citizen's Comments and Concerns: Pam Quentin asked whether or not there was follow-up on the \$300 donation for the SNR to the Wyalusing Animal Clinic. Dr. Lori Smith will be contacted regarding an update at the June 5th meeting of the Borough Council.

Nancy Jones requested that the speed sign be moved to Taylor Avenue at some point. David Jones thanked Dale Grover for the prompt pickup of lawn debris currently in process.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the April 3, 2017 meeting and the Minutes for the special meeting held on April 17, 2017 were reviewed by Council members. There were no corrections to the Minutes as presented. Josh Kilmer made the motion to accept both the regular and the special meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Josh VanDeMark and carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to pay the bills presented to the Council was made by Gary Rouse and seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was unanimously carried by voice vote. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by the Council members. The President accepted the report and it was filed for audit.

Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report: The detailed monthly report was previously distributed to the Council members. Several items were discussed: (1) tree can be replanted from the Borough Park to Main Street according to Bob Westover. After some

discussion, it was decided to give the Mayor a month to further investigate the tree issue; (2) the trash receptacles have been placed on Main Street; (3) the Air Traffic Solutions cloud renewal was briefly discussed. It will be brought up again at the June meeting (3) Woodpecker is clearing the tree out of the creek @ \$2,000; (4) Dave Burgess will give a quote for the drain issue on Taylor Avenue; (5) Fence on Bridge Street will be started Tuesday, May 2, 2017 and Bradco will pick up the barriers; (6) A pine tree near the Prothero property is (Frank Cardaman current owner) in danger of falling near the drain. It is the landowner's responsibility to take care of the tree.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster's report and invoice were reviewed by Council members.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority (WMA) Liaison Report: Scott Snyder reported that the heavy rains caused flows in excess of limit. There is a proposal to update the Ordinance for violations. Question was brought up regarding raising the manhole covers, and the triplex wire between the antique shop and the bridge needs a bracket to put wire back in proper order.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) The Mission First Report – April 2017 – completion date is now July 2017.
- (2) Pennsylvania Association of Zoning Officials – the consensus of the Council was not to join this organization
- (3) Route 6 Alliance Annual Meeting in Tunkhannock on May 17th and 18th will be attended by Mayor Burgess
- (4) Letter from PennDot regarding the annual maintenance of traffic signals. The Borough Secretary will contact Kuharchik regarding the traffic signals for the Borough.
- (5) Letter from DEP approving Wyalusing Meadows sewer/water project.

Old Business:

- (1) Statement of Financial Interests Form reminder – Due May 1, 2017.
- (2) Brewer Hollow ash cutting and deer fence repair – the quoted price will be honored, but work has not yet started on either item. Gary Rouse brought up the road that needed to be cut through and filled with stones. May ask Dave Burgess for a quote for that effort.
- (3) Three bids received for crack sealing: Vestal Asphalt - \$9,750; Bishop Brothers - \$7,500; and Midland – 400 gals at \$16/gal. - \$6,400. Josh Kilmer made the motion to hire Bishop Brothers for the crack sealing at the \$7,500 price. Gary Rouse seconded the motion and it was carried by voice vote.

New Business:

- (1) Special Meeting with Jonathan Foster to finalize the Borough Ordinances was scheduled for 1:00pm May 22nd. The Special Meeting will be advertised.
- (2) Gary Rouse, as Chair of the Finance Committee, will sign off on the bank reconciliation statements as per our auditor's request.
- (3) The Borough Secretary/Treasurer will work on the updates to the Personnel Manual.
- (4) The Little League mowing issue was discussed and the Council voted to not reimburse the \$20 mowing fee for the T-ball and Instructional fields.
- (5) The maintenance of the borough hall grounds was discussed. Josh VanDeMark said that his wife would do periodic weeding, etc. Further discussion as to reimbursement will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago