

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
July 10, 2017 at 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on July 10, 2017 at 7:00pm.

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: Cain Chamberlain (Rocket Courier), David and Nancy Jones, and Janet Otis (WVFD)

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. The President called for a moment of silence in memory of Wayne J. Felter.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor attended the tree tenders meeting at Mt. Gretna, PA. There was a lot of information and there is much interest in trees in PA. It is especially relevant in terms of replanting of trees in Brewer Hollow. The Mayor will attend the Mayor's Conference in Erie, PA. The police report indicated 6 incidents in May and June that were minor in nature.

Citizens Comments and Concerns: None

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the June 5, 2017 meeting were reviewed by Council members. There were no corrections to the Minutes as presented. Josh Kilmer made the motion to accept the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Gary Rouse 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) update on the road into Brewer Hollow, brush was cut by BC inmates, and Dave Burgess will put in a headwall; (2) two maple trees in the Cemetery need to be removed, quote from Brown Hill Tree Co., for \$2,000 was presented. Josh Kilmer made the motion to accept the proposal, seconded by Gary Rouse and carried unanimously by voice vote; (3) new sign on Rt. 706, still trying to contact someone for solar lighting; (4) the tires on the skid steer will need to be replaced; (5) the manhole covers' issue was raised again. It was suggested that we formalize the request, with a September 1, 2017 deadline; (6) There was a discussion regarding the completion of the

crack sealing and the schedule for the micro-surfacing of the Borough streets; (7) The fence along Bridge Street was discussed and the proposal by Bestway Fence presented. The quote is \$1,000 for the preparation and \$9,400 for the fence – work will be done in two stages. Josh Kilmer made the motion to accept the quote, seconded by Gary Rouse and carried unanimously by voice vote; (8) the curb on Marsh Street (in front of Mosher's) - an 18' section needs replacement. A quote from Hud Ellis in the amount of \$3,400 was presented. Gary Rouse made the motion to accept the quote from Hud Ellis, seconded by Josh VanDeMark and carried unanimously by voice vote; (9) there was another discussion regarding the curb for The Ram Zone. Several options were discussed and it was decided to have Dale Grover contact the owner and tell him that he will be billed by the Borough for any road repair necessary due to the lack of curbing and if not paid, a lien will be placed on his property.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster's report and invoice were reviewed by Council members. Josh Kilmer made the motion to approve the advertisement to adopt the final Ordinances at the August 7th Council meeting, seconded by Josh VanDeMark and carried unanimously by voice vote.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority (WMA) Liaison Report: Scott Snyder did not attend the last meeting. Gary Rouse will try and attend the meeting scheduled for July 25th as Scott Snyder will be unavailable.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) The Mission First Report – July 2017 – completion date is now end of July 2017. An Open House will be held on July 11, 2017 for interested tenants.
- (2) Bradford County Historical Society request for annual donation.
- (3) GWCC Membership – Josh Kilmer made the motion for Wyalusing Borough Council to become a member at \$50.00 (non-profit organization) for the current year, seconded by Josh VanDeMark and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (4) 2018 TreeVitalize grant applications now available.
- (5) PennDot notification of Proposed Project – State Route 6, Section 058 to the Borough line (Wyalusing Township). Dale Grover to contact Joe Saxe regarding issues with portion of road near this Township line.

Old Business:

- (1) WVFD Penelec Billing – Janet Otis submitted an analysis of the Penelec billing for the Borough Park. She proposed that the Borough take overpayment of this bill except for the July-September 19th billing due to the Firemen's Carnival. The cost to the Borough is approximately \$900.00. Josh VanDeMark made the motion to take over this bill, seconded by Josh Kilmer and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (2) Still need members for the Zoning Hearing Board and the Planning Commission. Cain Chamberlain will put something in the Rocket to hopefully generate interest.
- (3) Summer Hire – this will be brought up again as a possibility for next summer.

- (4) CD 02006L-FR-9 matures on July 17, 2017. Council decided to invite Jennifer Williamson from Ameriprise to discuss other investment possibilities. For the moment, the CD will remain as is.

New Business:

- (1) Wyalusing Creek Walkway – initial meeting will be held Tuesday, July 11th. Project proposal is initially for only 1,000 yards of walkway.
- (2) A motion to change the date of the October Council Meeting to Wednesday, October 11, 2017 was made by Gary Rouse, seconded by Scott Snyder and carried unanimously by voice vote. The change will be advertised.
- (3) Josh VanDeMark made the motion to approve an additional six months of office space rental from July 2017 to December 2017 for GWVCC, seconded by Gary Rouse and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (4) Resolution 2017-5 to open the 2017 Budget to include the recent Impact Fee Allocation of \$19, 206.92 was presented. Josh Kilmer made the motion to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Scott Snyder and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (5) The Council agreed to opt out of the Statoil Settlement from McDonald Law Firm.
- (6) Borough Memorial for Wayne Felter – A motion was made by Josh Kilmer to change the name of Chestnut Street to Felter Way. Chestnut Street currently has no houses, so the change should be fairly simple. The motion was seconded by Gary Rouse and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (7) An additional amount of money will be placed in the 2018 Budget for additions to the Borough Park Playground.
- (8) Dale will talk to Rick Sherman owner of The American Sandwich Company about the ownership of the sidewalk.

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago
Secretary/Treasurer