

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR RESCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING  
Wyalusing Borough Hall  
February 8, 2021 @ 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

**Council Members:** Micah Dietz, Josh Kilmer, Steven Lewis, Gary Rouse, and Josh VanDeMark

**Others:** Rick Heckman, Public Works Director, Joanne Vago, old Secretary/Treasurer, Cynthia Henning, new Secretary/Treasurer

**Public:** Warren Howeler (Rocket-Courier)

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

The rescheduled Wyalusing Borough Council Public Meeting was held at the Borough Hall on February 8, 2021 at 7:00pm regarding the re-adoption of the Comprehensive Re-zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Re-Zoning Map and to discuss adoption of the Codification Ordinance 69. There were no members of the public present. Steven Lewis made the motion to readopt the Comprehensive Re-zoning Ordinance and the Comprehensive Re-Zoning Map and to adopt Codification Ordinance 69. Micah Dietz seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously by voice vote.

**Mayor's Report:** The Mayor's report from the State Police was reviewed:

- 1 False Alarm
- 1 Burglary
- 1 Disorderly Conduct
- 1 See Officer
- 1 Motor Vehicle Crash- Private Property
- 5 Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspection
- 4 Patrol Checks

Cynthia Henning and Suky Burgess met with Chris Wood, Hunt Engineering regarding the Trail Project. Chris brought maps, price lists, and plans for a Frisbee golf course. Once DCNR approves all the plans, bid specifications for the entire project will be submitted by Hunt Engineering.

**Citizen's Comments and Concerns:** Rick Heckman reported on several telephonic complaints from citizens regarding the latest snow event. (1) Complaint about Cemetery not being plowed

from Jeff Smith. Consensus of Council was there is no need to do plowing unless there is a funeral scheduled. (2) There were two complaints about plowing on Rte. 706 from Kelly Travis and Marie Hoerner that were handled by Public Works.

**Approval of Minutes:** A draft of the January 4, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes, the Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2021, and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2021 were distributed previously. Josh VanDeMark made the motion to approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Steven Lewis and carried unanimously by voice vote.

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

**Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report:** The monthly report was previously submitted to Council members. (1) The F350 was taken to garage, the check engine light was on – indicated it was overloaded. The salt spreader was taken off and put on dump truck – Bradco will rewire. (2) Will advertise selling brush hog, bucket and plow. Need to establish a price to make sure we do not need to bid out. (3) Found break in electric for street light – Hud Ellis is aware. (4) Rick will meet with Jack Townsend, Rainbow Club President about several updates to the pavilion. He will have plans for next month's meeting. (4) Public Works will take over maintenance of grounds around Borough Hall. (5) Brewer Hollow "footpath" not able to accommodate moving equipment for water line. If company wants to build a bridge to accommodate, Borough has no objection. (6) Meeting with Steve Kehoe regarding Riverside Drive and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street needing work because of truck traffic – determine costs for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street drainage issues. Manhole covers are the responsibility of the Contractor. (7) Black truck in Municipal Parking Lot has until Wednesday to be moved or will be towed.

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

**Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report:** Steve Lewis gave the WMA report. It was a short meeting. Grovedale Winery has paid their back water bills and is now paying monthly. Decision as to whether or not WVHS will sell their well to WMA.

**Correspondence:** The following correspondence was reviewed by Council:

- DCNR – 2021 Recreation & Conservation Grants
- Gene Yaw E-Newsletter
- River Town E-Connections newsletter
- DCNR – Now accepting Grant Applications
- PA Unites Against COVID – Vaccine Eligibility
- WOC – Downstream Notification
- Bishop Brothers – Downstream Notification

- DuPont Downstream Notification
- GTP Downstream Notification

**New Business:**

- (1) The WMA 2021 budget was presented to Council. A motion was made by Gary Rouse and seconded by Steven Lewis to accept the proposed committees.
- (2) A motion to remove Joanne Vago and Dale Grover as principals on the Wyalusing Borough Visa Card and add Cynthia Henning and Rick Heckman as principals on the Wyalusing Borough Visa Card was made by Steven Lewis, seconded by Micah Dietz and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (3) A motion to remove Joanne Vago and add Steven Lewis to the PS Bank Account Agreement was made by Josh VanDeMark, seconded by Micah Dietz and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (4) A motion to remove Joanne Vago and add Cynthia Henning to the Ameriprise Financial account was made by Micah Dietz, seconded by Steven Lewis and carried unanimously by voice vote
- (5) The Statement of Financial Interest forms were handed out to council/employees. Forms to be returned to the Borough Secretary by May 1, 2021.

**Old Business:**

Bid specifications for tearing down the Tama building were prepared by the Borough Solicitor and reviewed by Council. There are several corrections to be made, but the advertisement can go forward for publication in the Rocket Courier. The corrected specifications will be available by the time the advertisement is published. The bid packages will be opened at the April 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Submitted by,

Cynthia Henning  
Secretary/Treasurer