



## Borough of Walnutport Regular Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 11, 2011

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1. William Turk, President called the August 11, 2011 regular council meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:02 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Turk led the Pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call: William Turk-President; Michael Gaston, Vice President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Lamar Lauer, Councilman; Matthew Newhard, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Henry Kline, Mayor; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman; Jason Newhard, Engineer; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; & Mike Wentz, Grant Coordinator. Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer & Harold Greene, Councilman —Absent.
3. Opportunity for Residents to be Heard--none
4. Motion to approve minutes from regular meeting July 14, 2011 made by Lamar. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. Motion to approve Tax Collector's Monthly Report for July 2011 made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. Motion to approve July 2011 Profit & Loss Report made by Lamar. David seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. Motion to approve July 2011 Bill List made by Loan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
8. Motion to approve Police Report for July 2011 made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
9. Motion to approve Zoning Report for July 2011 made by Dave. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
10. Standing Committees-
  - A. Finance—Mike Gaston
    - i. Reviewed #'s at end of meeting.
  - B. Law—none
  - C. Streets—Lamar Lauer
    - i. Railroad Street-Lamar and Rick looked at parking...doesn't think we need to do anything
    - ii. Livengood Excavator's are finished with their project
  - D. Solid Waste—Matt Newhard
    - i. Past due list is attached—
    - ii. Need answers about non traffic citations
      1. We will cite both owners of property but we will not fine both if they make payment arrangements. Rick and Annette will speak to Magistrates office.
      2. Restitution—we are going to add restitution to non traffic citations
    - iii. Matt made motion to send to collection agency on August 25, 2011 for unpaid balances without payment plans. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  - E. Ordinance Review—David Stankovic
    - i. Landlord Ordinance—fees will be by resolution
    - ii. Junk vehicle ordinance (advertised for September's meeting)

- iii. Mercantile tax—ordinance attached along with highlighted areas that Mr. James has questions/concerns. Mr. James's updated totals are attached. Annette needs authorization to reimburse Mr. James...Solicitor will review
- iv. 2011-07 police pension—still waiting on police department
- v. For fire company to bill insurance companies—Solicitor is looking into this.
- F. Personnel— to be discussed in executive session
- G. Engineer's Report—Jason Newhard
  - i. 215 Lincoln Avenue—discussed final plans for bathroom renovations  
Solicitor's Report—Michael Corriere
  - ii. Working on easement with American Nickeloid

11. Executive session—8:25 pm – 9:08 pm. To discuss Personal, contractual, potential litigation, issues and land purchase/agreement. Matt made the motion to purchase the Elk Lighting property, have the Attorney and Engineer to draw up agreement for closing for 2012 and allow the engineer to contact Elk Lighting to let them know the borough accepted their offer. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Lamar left meeting at 9:00 pm

12. Unfinished /Old Business

- A. Codification—Solicitors and planning commission working on
- B. Street Lights—Solicitor is working on
- C. Application for payment to Nimaris—Solicitor is going to handle
- D. Budget and Finance was discussed to tighten/cut spending. Need to make cuts. Not going to have enough money till end of year.

13. New Business

- A. Motion requesting use of fire police and for mayor to close streets needed for Canal Festival made by Matt. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

14. Mayor's Announcements— nothing

15. Adjournment – motion to adjourn made by Joan. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried at 10:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer