



Borough of Walnutport Regular Meeting May 12, 2011

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1. William Turk, President called the May 12, 2011 workshop 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; Harold Greene, Councilman; Lamar Lauer, Councilman; Matthew Newhard, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Henry Kline, Mayor; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman; Jason Newhard, Engineer; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Ed Andres, Solicitor; Jennifer Wentz, Recreation Board Chairman; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
3. Christine Stafford gave an update on EIT.
4. Opportunity for Resident to be Heard
 - A. Brian Filchner
 - i. When can they move their stuff? Rick will let them know when it is okay
 - ii. There was a discussion on the security deposit. Wayne Weidner also commented to council. There was an extensive discussion on how this was presented to council. Mike made the motion to waive the fee and have a trial period this year. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried. There will be a security deposit for rental but all of council need to discuss this.
5. Motion to approve minutes of the workshop meeting April 7, 2011 and the regular meeting April 14, 2011 made by Lamar. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. Motion to approve Tax Collector's Monthly Report for April 2011 made by Joan. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. Motion to approve Zoning Officer's Report for April 2011 made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
8. Motion to approve April 2011 Profit & Loss Report made by Lamar. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
9. Motion to approve April 2011 bill list made by Dave. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - A. Which report does council prefer longer one or short one? The shorter one.
10. Motion to approve Police Report for April 2011 made by Harold. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
11. Motion to approve classes for police department made by Joan. Mike seconded the motion. Motion carried.
12. Standing Committees –
 - A. Recreation Board- Jennifer Wentz Chairwoman
 - i. Joan made the motion to accept the duties and responsibilities for the recreation board. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - ii. Looking at a spring walk 6-12-11 and a fall walk 12-22-11
 - iii. Community service day 9-25-11 or 10-2-11
 - iv. Jenn asked council to give the recreation board a chance and keep them involved. If you want them to help and succeed council needs to involve the recreation board.
 - B. Finance – Mike Gaston--nothing
 - C. Law - Harold Greene
 - Letters were given to police
 - Letter from Chief @ extra coverage
 - Annette will send a letter to the police department answering their letter

- Harold made the motion to deny extra coverage for 7-4-11. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Harold made the motion to allow 2 pt officers for Friday and Saturday for the carnival shift and only 1 pt officer for Thursday, Wednesday, and Tuesday carnival shift. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- List of police hours to date

MIKE GASTON left at 7:50 pm

- D. Streets – Lamar stated Rick is working on getting Livengood here to work at the Nickeloid issue. They will do the flag pole at the same time.
- E. Solid Waste - Matt Newhard
- i. Discussion of the survey
 - ii. Discussion on options for the contract
 - iii. Discussion on garbage ordinance. Mr. Tim Dennis commented about the ordinance
 - iv. Matt made the motion to approve Ordinance 2011-05 with the changes discussed in sections 7A&B and 8A. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried. Solicitor will have his office make changes and get to Annette for signatures.
- F. Ordinance Review – Dave Stankovic
- i. Landlord ordinance—changes will be made and gotten back to council
 - ii. Junk vehicle ordinance—solicitor working on it
- G. Personnel- Harold has something for executive session
- H. Engineer’s Report- Jason Newhard informed council LURRS & McDonalds have a zoning hearing on Monday May 16, 2011.
- I. Solicitor’s Report— Ed Andres everything was discussed
- i. Still working on the rental agreement for the pavilion
- J. Grants—Mike Wentz
- i. Matt made the motion for a borough official to send a letter for the block grant \$. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - ii. Block grant for next year will be for
 - Spruce Street
 - Top ½ of Oak Street
 - Lehigh Gap behind Valley Pizza
 - Slate Alley
 - Bakers Alley
 - Twin Alley
13. Secretary’s Announcements/Notes – nothing
14. Executive session was entered at 8:45 pm. Borough Council came out of executive session at 9:00 pm. They discussed a personnel issue and labor attorney. No action at this time.
15. New Business
- A. Fire alarms were tested. Annette will give the Day care the invoice to have their doors hooked up to the fire alarms.
16. Unfinished/ Old Business –
- A. EIT—Solicitor is working on required Ordinance
 - B. Codification- Solicitors are working on it
 - C. Street Lights- Solicitor is looking into
17. Mayor’s Announcements- Happy Memorial Day!
18. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Joan at 9:03 pm. Matt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer