



Borough of Walnutport Regular Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 8, 2012

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1. Matthew Newhard, President called the March 1, 2012 regular meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:01 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Newhard led the Pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Matthew Newhard, President; Michael Gaston, Vice-President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Harold Greene, Councilman; Lamar Lauer, Councilman; William Turk, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Jason Newhard, Engineer; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer. Henry Kline, Mayor-Absent.
3. Mr. Toth asked council to exempt him from garbage—Mr. Corriere will let Mr. Toth's attorney know what council decision is after they discuss it.
4. Les from Future Focus spoke to council about the historic markers and the fee. Mike made the motion to make a 1 time payment of \$300.00 out of office supplies to go towards the printing costs of the brochures. Bill seconded the motion. Annette will make a check payable to Future Focus after she receives an invoice. Motion carried.
5. Opportunity for Residents to be Heard
 - A. Doug Bear from the Walnutport Canal Association asked a few questions
 - Can they burn the debris they requested on February 22, 2012 letter. Annette will call hauling company to see how much extra a dumpster would be, or if they can pick it up in that dumpster. She will get back to Doug when she has an answer.
 - Coin toss—council asked Doug to check into their insurance policy before they would answer that question.
 - When will the lock be repaired—this will be discussed under engineering report.
 - B. Allen Acker would like to know if something can be done about Harold Rauch's property. Council advised Mr. Acker that our CEO is working on addressing this issue.
6. Motion to approve
 - A. minutes of the workshop meeting February 2, 2012 and regular meeting February 9, 2012
 - B. Tax Collector's Monthly Report for February 2012
 - C. Police Officer's Report for February 2012
 - D. Zoning Officer's Report for February 2012
 - E. February 2012 Profit & Loss Report
 - F. February 2012 Bill List made by Harold. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. Standing Committees –
 - A. Finance – Michael Gaston
 - NIZ—council would like Mr. Corriere to look into this and where is all of our past \$.
 - B. Law – Harold Greene – needs about 3 minutes in executive session for personnel
 - Harold will speak to chief about the police patrolling the 215 building. The building was left unlocked and the windows were broken
 - C. Streets – Lamar Lauer
 - Mike made the motion to have trees removed (about \$1,100.00). Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Quote to fix dump truck-Mike made the motion to allow Rick to repair the tail gate on the dump truck and pay out of liquid fuel. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - The guys are almost done and ready for the contractors at the 215 building.

- There was vandalism at the 215 building.
 - Looking at prices for cameras.
- D. Solid Waste – Bill Turk nothing
- E. Recreation Board– Joan Rehrig with the gate being locked in the back, the kids have the fence broken—Rick is looking into getting this fixed.
- F. Ordinance Review – David Stankovic
- Flood Insurance Rate Map (see engineer & solicitor)
 - Motion to allow Solicitor to advertise the stop sign ordinance made by Joan. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- G. Personnel – Joan Rehrig- nothing
- H. Secretary’s Announcements/Notes –
- Mike made motion to pay \$5,222.50 to Diamond Fire Company the amount of the invoice that was submitted today. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried. (Diamond should have paid February 14, 2012—the fire company promises they will have to us sooner next time)
 - Joan made motion to place lien on property for garbage for that people moved out of town. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- I. Solicitor’s Report –
- Elk lighting—waiting on them
 - American Nickeloid—waiting on their attorney
 - LOMO—waiting on the owner to complete
 - Canal lease- waiting on Mr. Kaul
- J. Engineer’s Report –
- No changes
 - MS4 renew permit-need to budget \$5,000.00 for this next year.
- K. Entered into executive session to discuss litigation, and personnel matter. No action taken.
8. Unfinished Business/issues –
- A. Mercantile tax issue with Mr. Warren James—received paperwork from Mr. James. Annette will call Mr. Frey to discuss what is needed yet.
- B. Codification—waiting on general code
- C. Street lights-waiting on MEM
- D. ZHB Solicitor---waiting on the ZHB
- E. Lease with WCA—
- F. Canal FEMA/PEMA—Annette & Jason met with FEMA/PEMA historical on 3-9-12
- G. Purchasing/selling old police light - Joan made the motion for Annette to advertise on the internet and in the building Resolution 2012-03. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
9. New Business –
- A. Robert Treskot-tax collector
- B. Motion to approve interim bills made by Joan. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- C. Bob Treskot said he is working with the list Annette provided to update the per capita list
- D. WPA wants to know if the carnival will be affected by the path that SSM is putting in. Council advised Mr. Treskot the path is what was/is on the original plan for the playground renovations. It is only to connect the two sides and will follow the back fence line.
- E. EMA manager
- F. Mike made the motion to purchase a 3 bay sink for the recreation building (\$2,004.00). Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
10. Adjournment- Joan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by, Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer