



# Borough of Walnutport Workshop Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 6, 2012

The public is advised that the Borough of Walnutport Public meeting is being recorded for transcription purposes only and is intended only for the use of a Borough Secretary in transcribing the official meeting minutes.

The tape is made solely for the employees own personal use and does not have an official purpose.

1. Matthew Newhard, President called the September 6, 2012 workshop meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:02 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 (8:30), Councilman; Lamar Lauer, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Henry Kline, Mayor; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman; Jason Newhard, Engineer; and Michael Corriere, Solicitor. William Turk, Councilman, & Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer ABSENT.
3. Opening of the bids
  - A. Green Star Recycling; 799 Smith Lane; Northampton, PA 18067
    - a. \$15.83 per ton net rebate
  - B. JP Mascaro & Sons; 2650 Audubon Road; Audubon, PA 19403
    - a. \$11.09 per ton net rebate
  - C. Waste Management of Pennsylvania, Inc.; 107 Silvia Street; Ewing, NJ 08628
    - a. Did not meet requirements
4. Executive session was entered to discuss the contracts.
5. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard
  - A. Ursula Porzio (electric Supply for Municipal Buildings) –council will look into it.
6. Standing Committees –
  - A. Finance – Michael Gaston
    - Codification costs for budget
    - Will check on amounts for next year’s budget
  - B. Law – Harold Greene
    - Matt had a question for Mayor about Chief’s classes/schooling. They are the mandatory classes.
  - C. Streets – Lamar Lauer -nothing
  - D. Solid Waste –
    - Joan made the motion to approve Green Star Recycling as the recycling center to receive Walnutport’s recyclable for the 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 contract Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 4-0
    - Joan made the motion to advertise for bids for the solid waste contract (bids to be in by 3:00 on October 4, 2012). Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried. 5-0
    - Lamar made the motion to waive garbage service for 225 Main Street (was service was terminated 11-2-11). Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried. 5-0
  - E. Recreation Board– Joan Rehrig
    - Jennifer Wentz resigned. Lamar made the motion to accept Jennifer Wentz’s resignation. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried. 5-0
    - Advertisement is out looking for applicants to fill 2 vacant seats
    - There was a break-in in their storage shed 2x’s now.
    - Vent in men’s bathroom at refreshment stand. That is there building.
    - Will there be heat in the building up there for winter. Wayne will be here at next week to discuss.
  - F. Henry was asked why police are not enforcing the curfews on the playgrounds or the men sleeping on the benches. Why aren’t police enforcing the garbage pickers? Quality of life issues on seen by public, they are just as important.
  - G. Ordinance Review – David Stankovic-nothing
    - Flood Insurance Rate Map

- H. Personnel – Joan Rehrig-nothing
- I. Grants-Michael Wentz
  - 1 year we were granted \$ for canal
  - PPL-inspected buildings
  - Grant money's (Sand's) \$22K for brush cutting equipment
    - 1. Mike made the motion to purchase mowing equipment and tractor using casino \$ and \$8,000.00 from Walnutport Authority. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
- 7. Unfinished Business/issues–
  - A. Street lights-Solicitor working on
  - B. Canal FEMA/PEMA—working on paperwork
  - C. WPA—Wayne will be at next weeks meeting
- 8. New Business –
  - A. New borough code books (how many?) they are \$15.00 a book. Annette will order 3.
  - B. LST—Berkheimer (need 5 motions)
    - Motion to approve agreement with Berkheimer made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
    - Motion to approve resolution 2012-10 made by Joan. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
    - Motion to approve resolution 2012-11 made by Lamar. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
    - Motion to approve resolution 2012-12 made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
    - Motion to approve resolution 2012-13 made by Lamar. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
  - C. MMO budgets for 2013 (need motion) motion to approve the 2013 MMO made by Joan. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
  - D. Motion to approve change order #1 items number 1, 3, and switches for bathrooms at 417 Lincoln Ave for \$7,095.00 made by Dave. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0
  - E. Motion to approve change order #1 for vinyl window at 215 Lincoln Ave for \$750.00 made by Joan. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
  - F. Motion to approve repairs to utility truck for \$4,500.00 at Buzzy's Auto body made by Mike. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
  - G. Motion to purchase used police car from Lehighton Ford for \$8,300.00 made by Dave. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0
- 9. Council entered into executive session from 9:20 pm – 9:35 pm to discuss personnel matter
- 10. Mayor's Announcements-Trick or Treat will be Wednesday October 24, 2012 6-8:00 pm rain or shine
- 11. Adjournment-Joan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer