



Borough of Walnutport Workshop Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 3, 2013

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1. Matthew Newhard, President called the January 3, 2013 workshop meeting of the Borough Council to order at 6:58 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; William Turk, Councilman; Harold Greene, Councilman; Lamar Lauer, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Michael Wentz, grant coordinator; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer. Henry Kline, Mayor-ABSENT
3. Reappointments/Retain- Matt asked if there is no objection, he would entertain a motion to pass A-M. Joan made the motion. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - A. Motion Borough Engineer: SSM Group
 - B. Motion Borough Solicitor: Corriere and Andreas
 - C. Motion to retain Eric Strohl to serve as Code Enforcement officer for the Borough
 - D. Motion to retain Michael Wentz to serve as Grant Coordinator for the Borough
 - E. Motion to retain Sean Corey to serve as Zoning Officer
 - F. Motion to confirm Fire Police for the Diamond Fire Company and the Borough of Walnutport for the year 2013
 - G. Motion to authorizing the Diamond Fire Company to engage in fund raising activities, participate in mutual aid with any local municipalities/fire company and authorizing the fire police to serve during non-emergency functions during 2013
 - H. Motion to retain Solicitor, Engineer, and recording secretary for Planning Commission:
 - I. Motion to reappoint Henry Kline, Michael Newhard, and Kevin Rex to the Planning Commission Board
 - J. Motion to retain Auditor Kirk, Summa & Co., LLP
 - K. Motion to retain Anderson & Assoc., Inc. to manage Police & Borough Pension plan
 - L. Motion to retain HA Thomson to manage our insurance policies
 - M. Motion to retain Labor Council, Scott Blissman
4. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard-none
5. Standing Committees –
 - A. Finance – Michael Gaston look at final # for 2012
 - i. Mike changed the lock on the door in the hallway to the daycare. It is now secure so no one can just walk in there.
 - ii. Mike would like to get someone to fix the old picnic tables in the day care wall. He doesn't want them to fall down.
 - B. Law – Harold Greene
 - i. Council agreed they would allow payment plans set up from the police officers for their new uniforms. Annette shall send them a late notice and a note saying a payment plan is allowed.
 - ii. Complain about chief..he was in his office and never notified road crew the roads were getting bad. They came out on their own.
 - C. Streets – Lamar Lauer
 - i. Complaint letter from Julie Harhart's office @ street light-we should send a letter to Julie's office that if she thinks the lights a good idea, she should get us money to do it. We do not have the money to change that light.
 - ii. Complain from school district/Julie Harhart's office about bridge-
 - a. There were several phone calls about the snow on the sidewalks on the bridge not being shoveled. Julie will have a meeting with local municipalities, school district, and Penn Dot on January 30 at her office.
 - b. Bill made the motion for Mike Wentz to call Penn Dot representative again and tell him it is a state bridge, we do not have man power to take care of snow and who would be liable if something happens to bridge when snow is being removed. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- D. Solid Waste – Bill Turk
 - i. Complaint letter –resident complained about garbage hauler putting recyclables in with garbage, in same truck. Council discussed and will as IWS/McAuliffe reps to come to next meeting
- E. Recreation –Joan Rehrig-
 - i. Still looking to fill 2 seats on board –
Both seats expired 2012-
 - 1) 3 year term and
 - 1) 4 year term
- F. Ordinance Review – David Stankovic –
 - a. Flood Insurance Rate Map – solicitor is working on
 - b. 2012-16 solid waste updates-ready to pass next week
- G. Personnel – David Stankovic-nothing
- H. Grants-Michael Wentz
 - i. PPL grant is about 95% complete-waiting on inspection
 - ii. SSM will have numbers for Canal grant soon
- 6. Secretary’s Announcements/Notes –
 - A. Letter from Nancy Treskot about Chamber—council advised Annette to give an update of the canal locs and the recreation building-(almost complete)
- 7. Unfinished Business –
 - A. Canal FEMA/PEMA—working on paperwork for loc 24 now-almost complete
 - B. Easement with 4683 Timberline Road (Estate of Martha Kern)
 - C. Radio in police car- Mike made the motion to have ECCO complete the car-radio, camera etc so they can get the car on the road. Lamar seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - D. Refinance (February)
 - E. The ad for pt streets labor resumes are due 1/9/13
 - F. Pavilion rental (February/March)
- 8. New Business –
 - A. Mike made the motion to authorization Thomas J Anderson & Associates, Inc to perform the 1-1-13 act 205 actuarial valuation report. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - B. Lamar made the motion to accept Letter of resignation from borough council for Lamar Lauer effective 1-8-13. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - C. Letter from Bob Treskot about disposing of documents- Mike made to the motion to allow Bob to shred the document according to the record retention policy. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - D. Harold made the motion for tax collector to send out interims. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 9. Adjournment – Joan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer