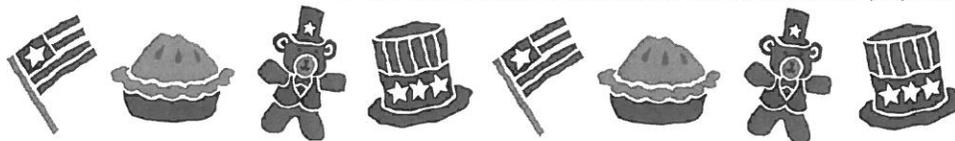




Borough of Walnutport Regular Meeting Minutes Thursday June 13, 2013

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1. Michael Gaston, Vice-President called the June 13, 2013 regular meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:06 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Gaston led the Pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Michael Gaston, Vice-President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; William Turk, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Laura Stauffer, Councilwoman; Henry Kline, Mayor; Jason Newhard, Engineer; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer. Harold Greene, Councilman; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman; Chief Pete Wayda; & Matthew Newhard, President-ABSENT.
3. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard-present was Mr. & Mrs. Kaul, Wayne Weidner, & Michelle Novak.
 - A. Mrs. Kaul gave an update on WCA's membership. She also let council know that the Sojourn will be coming thru Walnutport on June 23rd & 24th.
4. Dave made the motion to approve
 - A. minutes of the workshop May 2, 2013 & regular meeting May 9, 2013
 - B. Tax Collector's Monthly Report for May 2013
 - C. Zoning Officer's Report for May 2013
 - D. Build Code Officials Report for May 2013
 - E. May 2013 Profit & Loss Report
 - F. May 2013 Bill List
 - G. Police report May 2013. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. Standing Committees –
 - A. Finance – Michael Gaston -nothing
 - B. Law – Michael Gaston
 - Auction. Joan made the motion to allow the Chief to go to an action and buy Tasers for the department and spend up to \$2,000.00. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - The committee will be working with the police department and their new contract negotiations.
 - C. Streets – David Stankovic-nothing
 - D. Solid Waste – William Turk
 - Garbage bills are due Tuesday the 18th
 - E. Recreation –Joan Rehrig-
 - Recreation board met with Laura & Mike about the rental agreement. The rec board thinks they do not want to get involved in the rental. They would like to focus on fund raising and getting other activities started.
 1. Motion to set rental of pavilion at \$200.00 with a separate check of \$100.00 deposit. If there isn't damage and everything is cleaned up \$100.00 check will be returned. Laura seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Still looking to fill 2 seats on board –
both seats expired 2012-
 - 1) 3 year term and 1) 4 year term
 - F. Ordinance Review – Laura Stauffer
 - Third Street (adoption July 11th)
 - Flood Insurance Rate Map—update from Solicitor
 - G. Personnel – Dave Stankovic/Joan Rehrig- nothing
 - H. Grants-Michael Wentz
 - PPL grant-our savings are about 40% right now. It is better than anticipated.

- The grant Mike helped the local rescue get a microchip reader came thru. They gave the Borough their used reader. It is like new. So if a dog comes in, the police will be able to tell who the owner is faster.
- I. Solicitor's Report –
 - PPL—does council want to purchase the lights know that the financing came thru?
 - Waiting on zoning for an update about Symer and Gogel
 - Elk lighting is recorded
 - Will need a few minutes in executive session to give update on possible litigation, and litigation updates.
 - J. Engineer's Report –
 - Roof bid—
 1. Laura made the motion to reject the bids from June 10, 2013 due to errors in some bid submissions that would not be financial sound and/or the best interest of the Borough of Walnutport. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 2. Laura made the motion to have borough official rebid the roof bid for approval at the July 11, 2013 meeting. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Lock 23- working on final design
 - Lock 24- revising to resubmit with recommendation from Northampton County Conservation District on the Erosion and Sedimentation submission
6. New Business –
 - A. WPA asking for permission for fireworks on July 12th with rain date July 13th (2013)- Bill made the motion as long as they have all their permits and paperwork in order with police department. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - B. Tax collector- (motion to send out interims) - Joan made the motion to allow Mr. Treskot to send out the interims. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - C. Joan made the motion to waive fees for Borough of Walnutport for roof building permit. Laura seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - D. Bill made the motion to have Annette order 3 changing tables (2 for 215 Lincoln Ave & 1 for 417 Lincoln Ave), the carpets and the runners. Laura seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - E. Laura made the motion to have Annette order 6 no smoking signs 20 x 14 for inside the pavilion. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 7. Council entered into an executive session from 7:45 pm - 8:15 pm to discuss potential litigation, ongoing litigation, and police personnel matter. No action at this time.
 8. Unfinished Business –
 - A. REMINDER JULY'S MEETING IS JULY 11TH AT 6:00 PM INSTEAD OF 7:00 DUE TO WPA'S ANNUAL CARNIVAL!!!!
 - B. Canal FEMA/PEMA—working on paperwork
 - C. DROP-(keep on until we get answers)
 - D. Pavilion Rental—Wayne & Michelle from Recreation Board
 - E. Streets/Alley recommendations from Planning Commission
 - F. Ball field- going to look into if we can borrow equipment from local farmer/contractors to be able to mix conditioner into lume ourselves to help save some money.
 - G. Lehigh Gap Street addresses/name (ask Solicitor) - Annette can assign house numbers but street name change needs to be Ordinance. Jason thinks it was all ordained ass Lehigh Gap back in the late 80's.
 - H. 16 Lincoln Avenue (ask Solicitor)
 - I. WESSCOE property
 - J. Renovations at 215 Lincoln requested by WPA-
 9. Mayor's Announcements –
 - A. Don't forget Duck race on June 22nd at 12:00 pm
 - B. Have a Happy and Safe 4th of July!!!!
 10. Adjournment-Joan made the motion to adjournt he meeting at 8:55 pm. Laura seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer