



Borough of Walnutport

Workshop Meeting Minutes

Thursday October 2, 2014

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- 1.** Michael Gaston, Vice President called the October 2, 2014 workshop meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:05 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Gaston led the Pledge of allegiance.
- 2.** Roll Call: Matthew Newhard, President (7:07); Michael Gaston, Vice-President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Harold Greene, Councilman (7:17); William Turk, Councilman; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Wayne Weidner, Mayor; Chief Peter Wayda; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer. David Stankovic, Councilman-Absent
- 3.** Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard- Tim Dennis and Sharon Stanley (from Times News) were present but did not speak.
- 4.** Standing Committees –
 - A.** Finance – Mike & Matt-started working on budget

Matt arrived and took over the meeting

B. Law – Mike

- Mike made the motion to allow Officer Ledo to attend a class and pay for it out of his education allowance for \$295.00. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Chief Wayda brought up the large shrubs in front of the building. It is a security issue. He wanted to know if council is planning on trimming them or removing them. With the citation that happened up the line we want to make sure our officers are safe.

C. Streets – Bill & David – nothing

D. Solid Waste – Matt & Patrice

- 2015 bills will be mailed week of the 13th being due December 17th
- Matt asked Annette if she heard anything about the stickers for recycling. Annette will look into it.
- Contract talk-we will need to talk about new contract since the current one ends 2015.

E. Recreation –Patrice & Joan

- Still looking to fill 6 seats on board –
- Patrice asked if we have cigarette containers for ball fields. Council asked her to speak to Rick. They are here in the closet. They just need to be installed.

F. Ordinance Review – Dave & Bill

- Bank foreclosure/Real Estate registry Ordinance 2013-07-RFP's are out

G. Personnel – Joan, David, & Harold- nothing

H. Secretary Notes/Announcements-

- How long can I rent out 215 Lincoln Ave pavilion-Patrice made the motion to have the building winterized the first full week of November every year. It can be rented out until then with the understanding that there isn't heat in the pavilion. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

I. Grants-Michael Wentz-

- Monroe County casino grant-submitted Tuesday for salt shed will know in February or March

- DEP for recycle totes-won't know for awhile
 - Sand casino for new truck was denied.
 - Joan made the motion to have Mike Wentz apply for the 2% grant/loan program for purchasing a vehicle/machinery. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Penndot grant-going to look into it more. It looks like it will replace the traffic signal but need to find out if there is a matching required.
- 5. New Business –**
- A.** Motion to approve Resolution 2014-05 (retroactive) made by Joan. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - B.** Day care wants to negotiate rental price. Mike Gaston will meet with them as soon as he can.
 - C.** Joan questioned who owns the property where the trees are behind McDonalds...Matt advised her to look at www.ncpub.org but he thinks they are part of Lincoln Manor.
- 6. Unfinished Business –** some items will not be acted upon for several months ~ this is a reminder that they are a work in process
- A.** Streets/Alley recommendations from Planning Commission
 - Williams Alley extension sketch plan
 - B.** Open seats of the following boards
 - UCC & Property Maintenance
 - Vacancy Board
 - Recreation board
 - C.** Recycling containers/Tubs/Totes---waiting on grant info
 - D.** NL Recreation Committee/Authority-resolution and ordinance next week
 - E.** Future e-recycling event-Annette will get #'s
 - F.** Dugout-will discuss next week
 - G.** Signs for sponsorship at pavilion-Annette should have numbers for next week
- 7.** Mayor's Announcements~ reminder Trick or Treat is October 29th from 6-8:00 pm rain or shine.
- 8.** Adjournment – Joan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm. Patrice seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer