



Borough of Walnutport Workshop Meeting Minutes Thursday May 7, 2015

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- 1.** Matthew Newhard, President called the May 7, 2015 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; Harold Greene, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; William Turk, Councilman; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Wayne Weidner, Mayor; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
- 3.** In attendance: Mr. Timothy Dennis came in after meeting started.
- 4.** Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be heard-no one was here until later.
- 5.** Standing Committees –
 - A.** Finance – Mike & Matt-
 - Money is starting to come in for taxes
 - There is a house bill that would restrict tax collectors being the owner of the account the money is deposited into. Matt is watching to see what happens.
 - B.** Law – Harold & Mike
 - Motion to approve officer Kiefer’s resignation effective April 30th was made by Harold. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - C.** Streets – Bill & David –
 - Road crew started crack sealing
 - They hung the sponsor sign at the rec center (on the fence)
 - Harold said Lincoln extension looks really nice that they cleaned it up.
 - D.** Solid Waste – Matt & Patrice
 - ETA - toter is week of June 1st
 - They guys are getting better...a lot less complaints
 - E.** Recreation –Patrice & Joan
 - Matt went to the WPA meeting
 - Moving the fence—Mike made the motion to send WPA a game plan (on paper) about the fence and it is to stay where it is until that plan is presented to council and they approve it. Motion seconded by Bill. Motion carried.
 - Rick and Mike will take care of the cigarette containers
 - F.** Ordinance Review – Dave & Bill - nothing
 - G.** Personnel – Joan, David, & Harold
 - One strong prospect for part time secretary. They will call her references and ask to meet with her. Will let council know what they find out at next meeting.
 - H.** Grants-Michael Wentz-
 - Basically in a holding pattern with grants...
 - Mouny airy casino decision should be made next week
 - Red light enforcement comes out in July
 - Block grant—we received emails looking for additional information

I. Secretary/Treasurer report/notes

- Elected officials life insurance-no one else is interested.
- Email @ CFL recycling (see attached letter) Joan made a motion to become part of this recycling of lightbulbs as long as it does not cost us any money. Harold seconded them motion. Motion carried.
- Lion's club dinner at Skeet club invite is in everyone's packet. RSVP to them if you are interested in going.

6. New Business –

- A.** Harold made them motion to approve resolution allowing president or vice president to sign all documents in reference to the permitting for signage for the trail crossing. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- B.** Mike made the motion to approve interim taxes on report from tax collector. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- C.** Grants/mulch- Mike would like Mike Wentz to look into a grant for the rubber matting instead of the mulch at the playground.
- D.** Bill made a motion to have streets department get a load of mulch for the playground at the swing area. Patrice seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- E.** Council asked if streets department can turn on the timer for the lights at the basketball court since the kids are starting to use it now that the weather is nice.

7. Unfinished Business – some items will not be acted upon for several months ~ this is a reminder that they are a work in process

A. Open seats of the following boards

- UCC & Property Maintenance
- Vacancy Board
- Recreation board

8. Upcoming events-

- E-Recycling Event May 20, 2015 from 4-7 pm
- Recycling totes to be delivered (week of June 1st)
- Walnutport Playgrounds annual carnival July 7-11
- Walnutport Canal Festival Sunday October 18, 2015
- Trick or Treat Wednesday October 28, 2015; 6-8 pm; RAIN OR SHINE

9. Mayor's Announcements~ nothing

10. Adjournment – Joan made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Harold seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer