



# Borough of Walnutport Workshop Meeting Minutes Thursday March 3, 2016

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1. Matthew Newhard, President called the March 3, 2016 workshop meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 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; Harold Greene, Vice-President; (absent from meeting). Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Nancy Treskot, Councilwoman; David Stankovic, Councilman; William Turk, Councilman; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Wayne Weidner, Mayor; and Deborah Paules, Assistant Secretary.
3. Present from the public: Brian Filchner, President of WPA.  
\*\*\*\*Nancy Treskot abstained from any motion that pertained to the tax collector. Her letter is on file in the Borough office. \*\*\*\*
4. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard
  - A. Brian Filchner asked about the dugout progress. Since Rick was not present at the meeting this item was put on hold until next week.
5. Brian also submitted a request to use the pavilion for picture day for baseball on May15, 2016.
6. Standing Committees –
  - A. Finance -- Nancy & Matt
    - Nancy gave everyone her notes from the meeting with BB&T. Nancy's suggestion was to stay with the bank for one year. After a lengthy discussion a Motion was made by Bill Turk to continue business with BB&T. Motion was seconded by David Stankovic. Motion was passed.
  - B. Law – Harold Greene Chief Wayda had nothing to report.
  - C. Streets – Discussions were held on several problem in the Borough. Because of the storm a lot of washouts were being worked on. There are some street that Bill felt need a lot of attention ex. Canal St., Williams Ally, and Pine Tree Drive. Matt also brought up the topic of paper allies needing to be discussed.
  - D. Solid Waste – Debbie reported that she had complaints regarding pickup.
  - E. Recreation - Patrice
    - Annette had a few people ask about rec board...she will follow up with them to see if they were going to submits letters of interest– Patrice reported that she has not heard from Annette regarding this item. She will have to wait until Annette returns.
  - F. Ordinance Review – David & Bill-nothing
  - G. Personnel – Joan, Harold, & David Nothing to report
  - H. Secretary Notes/Announcements -
    - Matt brought up the fact that the hours for the assistant secretary needed to be discussed. Debbie informed him that Annette and she have discussed hours and after she returns from medical leave they will try to adjust the hours of work to what was originally discussed.

- I. Grants-Michael Wentz- Mike reported that a bid was received for the recycle containers in the amount of \$2,000.00 by Lisa Huberty. A motion was made to accept the bid. By Patrice. Seconded by Bill. Motion was carried. Mike also reported that DEP 904 money for 2014 in the amount of \$4,000 has been approved. This is about half of what we had been receiving. He also said we were eligible for 902 monies this year. That led to a discussion regarding a leaf machine. A short discussion was also held about recycling and a truck to do that by ourselves.
- J. New Business – NONE
- K. Unfinished Business – Letter received from John Kirchner, Fire Chief listing reasons not to change our Communications Center from Lehigh to Northampton County.
- L. Base Engineering plans for Burger King were given to each Council member for their review. The will be here at Regular Meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss the plans.

7. Council entered into executive session to discuss Personnel issue from 8pm – 8:15 pm. No action taken.

8. Mayor's Announcements~ nothing

9. Adjournment – David made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Deborah Paules, Assistant Secretary