



Borough of Walnutport Regular Meeting Minutes Thursday October 13, 2016

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- 1.** William Turk, President called the October 13, 2016 regular meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:02 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Turk led the Pledge of allegiance
- 2.** Roll Call: William Turk, President; Harold Greene, Vice-President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Nancy Treskot, Councilwoman(ABSENT); David Stankovic, Councilman; Aaron Kromer, Councilman; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Wayne Weidner, Mayor; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; Jason Newhard, Engineer; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman (Absent); Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Chief Peter Wayda; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
- 3.** Present from the public ~ Reed & Jake Thomson, Timothy Dennis, Ed Zeigler, and Kelly Androide-Times News.
- 4.** Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard
 - A.** Reed and Jake Thomson would like council to do something about the truck traffic. They are making u~turns and going the wrong way through his parking lot down Carbon Street. Annette and Pete will work on a letter to the owner of the building.
- 5.** Joan made the motion to approve A-G by general consent. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - A.** Minutes of the workshop meeting September 1, 2016 and regular meeting September 8, 2016
 - B.** Tax Collector's Monthly Report for September 2016
 - C.** Zoning Officer's Report for September 2016
 - D.** Build Code Officials Report for September 2016
 - E.** September 2016 Profit & Loss Report
 - F.** September 2016 Bill List
 - G.** Police report September 2016
- 6.** Standing Committees –
 - A.** Finance -- Annette handed out the budget numbers that she worked on and the budget numbers that Nancy worked on. Once Nancy is back Annette will try to sit with her to go over and combine the numbers. Please look at them and ask any questions. Hopefully we can have good numbers to work with till workshop meeting next month.
 - B.** Law – Harold & Nancy
 - Towing service-complaint from public and fire company witnesses-Pete will call Kerry Paules the owner of the towing company in question to find out what is going on.
 - C.** Streets –David
 - Lehigh street is complete
 - Washington street catch basin was Monarch's fault. They are remaking catch basin and Livengood will place once it is in.
 - Dug out is paved
 - Gas pump area is paved
 - D.** Solid Waste – Patrice & Aaron- nothing

- E.** Recreation – Joan & Aaron-Aaron looked into the summer rec program and found there is possibly a grant out there to help cover the cost of summer rec programs.
 - F.** Ordinance Review – David & Patrice
 - Storage vehicles 2016-06-David made the motion to approve 2016-06. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - Trees/shrubbery 2016-07-November’s meeting
 - G.** Personnel –Harold, Joan, & David-nothing
 - H.** Borough Maintenance & Property Management- Nancy & Rick - nothing
 - I.** Engineer’s Report –
 - See report
 - Motion to authorize payment to Eagle for \$74,947.50 made by Harold. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - J.** Solicitor’s Report-working on contract with Cogle’s and Tamaqua transfer. He will file the paperwork at Northampton County Courthouse for Gogel when he is there next week.
- 7. New Business**
- A.** North Whitehall bill was received to help pay for workers comp and vehicle insurance for NOVA-give to Nancy and will discuss next month workshop.
 - B.** Letter from Steckel and Stopp about their pricing for 2017 ZHB
- 8. Unfinished Business –**
- A.** Centennial committee meeting- Nancy is setting up meeting
 - B.** Open seats of the following boards
 - UCC & Property Maintenance (2 seats)
 - Vacancy Board (1 seat)
 - Recreation board (7 seats minus Donald Eckert, Linda Coleman)
 - Representative on the Slatington Public library (1 seat)
 - ZHB-alternate
- 9. Upcoming events-**
- A.** Walnutport Canal Festival Sunday October 16, 2015 noon – 5:00pm
 - B.** Towpath Trot October 15th 8-noon
 - C.** Kayak Race October 15th 1-3pm
 - D.** Trick or Treat Wednesday October 26, 2015; 6-8 pm; RAIN date Thursday 27th
 - E.** NL Halloween parade October 22 with Rain date 24th-Chief Wayda asked whoever is with this group to please make sure you speak to him the Chief and Rick the Road Foreman about what is going on and what they need help
- 10. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard**
- A.** David asked what can be done about the “dumps” that are in town? The house that burnt is getting stinky and animals are running into/out of house.
 - B.** Ed Zeigler- Thank you for having flags at ½ mass on 911, Bakers Alley is a mess-junk etc
- 11. Mayor’s Announcements –** was at the meeting with NOVA & Have a safe and Happy Halloween.
- 12. Adjournment-Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm made by Joan. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted by Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer