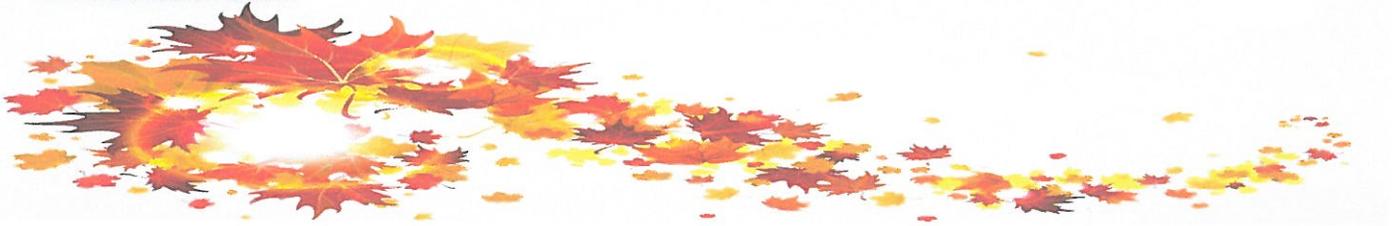




# Borough of Walnutport

## Workshop Meeting Minutes

Thursday October 6, 2016 7:00 pm



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1. William Turk President called the October 6, 2016 workshop meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:15 pm in the Borough Municipal Building, 417 Lincoln Avenue, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Turk led the Pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call: Harold Greene, Vice-President; Joan Rehrig, Councilwoman; Nancy Treskot, Councilwoman; David Stankovic, Councilman; William Turk, Councilman; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Aaron Kromer, Councilman; Michael Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Eric Strohl, Road Foreman, Wayne Weidner, Mayor; Chief Peter Wayda; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
3. Present from the public ~ Debbie Paules, Robert Treskot, Timothy Dennis, & Linda Coleman
4. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard
  - A. Robert Treskot was asking for raise. He can only ask for raise the year before his election. He is on the ballot next year.
5. Standing Committees –
  - A. Finance — Nancy had a long discussion on the income of the budget. She will be sitting with Annette to see where Nancy got her numbers from compared to numbers in the past that Annette has.
  - B. Law – Harold & Nancy –
    - Pete talked about the grant the police were awarded for the new police car. They would like to keep the other car for Annette to run to post office and bank and if the guys have to run for something out of town or if the police need extra vehicle to go to school
    - Nancy made the motion to purchase the new vehicle for a cost to the borough of \$7,418.41 (\$25K grant= total cost of car) Aaron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  - C. Streets – David
    - Complaint about cats-came in mail not sign or addressed to anyone
    - Washington Street-waiting on Monarch
    - David told Livengood Exc. Lehigh Street needs to be paved by next week because of the festival

**D. Solid Waste –Patrice & Aaron**

- Nancy made the motion to approve Tamaqua Transfer and Recycling Inc for the 2017, 2018, 2019, & 2020 contract and have Solicitor to finalize paperwork with them. David seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2017 garbage bills were mailed today. \$200 a year/\$100.00 ½ year

**E. Recreation – Joan & Aaron – Nancy brought up the pavilion and the summer recreation program.**

**F. Ordinance Review – David & Patrice**

- Storage vehicles 2016-06
- Trees/shrubbery 2016-07

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

Nancy made the motion to authorize Bill to sign the final degree for Gogel issue. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**H. Secretary Notes/Announcements-**

- Escrow accounts were moved to Neff's
- Since we mailed 2017 bills-can we move sanitation accounts to Neff's to start with clean slate.
- Nancy made the motion to close Crown Realty LLC's escrow account closed per engineer it is ok. Joan seconded the motion. Motion carried
- 2017 E-recycling events-Annette will reserve 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in May and September. Changing times from 4-6.

**I. Grants-Michael Wentz**

- Mike gave an update on the police car, casino grants, Canal Street, and salt shed grants.

**J. Borough maintenance & property management-Nancy & Rick**

- Nancy and Rick discussed their "wish list" for project that need to be done on 417 Lincoln-ac-heater for council chambers/zoning office/water authority-one split unit should cover it, update electric in building, new boiler. Rick is trying to get prices for all of these issues.

**6. New Business –**

- A.** Letter from NOVA inviting everyone to October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting-Wayne & Nancy will be attending
- B.** Letter from Neff's National Bank invite to breakfast presentation about Cybersecurity and personal information protection
- C.** Patrice made the motion to approve payment application #2 \$37,152.00. Nancy seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- D.** Letter from the Slatington library thanking borough for donation.

**7. Unfinished Business –**

- A.** Centennial Committee- Nancy will contact everyone. Looks like meeting Sunday 11/13/16
- 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

**8.** Upcoming events-

- A.** Walnutport Canal Festival Sunday October 16, 2015
- B.** Trick or Treat Wednesday October 26, 2015; 6-8 pm; RAIN date Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>
- C.** NL Halloween parade October 22 with Rain date 24<sup>th</sup>-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

**9.** Council entered into an executive session to discuss 2 contractual no action taken.

**10.** Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard

**11.** Adjournment – motion to adjourn meeting made by Nancy. Joan seconded the motion at 9:15 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer