



Borough of Walnutport
Regular Borough Meeting Minutes
Thursday May 14, 2020 7:00 pm
Meeting held at 110 Main Street-

Diamond Fire Company Social Hall

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April's meetings were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. William Turk President called the May 14, 2020 regular meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 pm in the Diamond Fire Company Social Hall 110 Main Street, Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Turk led the Pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call: William Turk, President; Harold Greene, Councilman (absent-participated via zoom); Iris Blum, Councilwoman; Michael Gaston, Councilman; David Stankovic, Councilman; Jennifer Wentz, Vice-President; Patrice Hunsicker, Councilwoman; Wayne Weidner, Mayor; Michael Corriere, Solicitor; Jason Newhard, Engineer; and Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
3. Present from public-none
4. Present viz zoom- Terry Ahner, Times News; Bob & Nancy Treskot; Rica Cook; Brian Filchner; & Scott Stauffer.
5. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard –
 - A. Brian Filchner wanted to updated council that the WPA has decided to cancel baseball & softball for the rest of the year. They have also decided to cancel the carnival for 2020.
 - B. Bob Treskot wanted to add that the 2021 carnival is scheduled for July 6-10th.
6. Motion to approve A-E made by Patrice. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
 - A. Minutes from March 5, 2020; March 12, 2020 meetings
 - B. March & April 2020 Profit & Loss Report
 - C. March & April 2020 Bill List
 - D. Police report March & April 2020
 - E. Tax collector reports
7. Standing Committees –
 - A. Finance – Jennifer
 - Bill thanked Jen for taking care of things so he didn't have to come out of his apartment.
 - Garbage contract- 2021-2024

- a) Jen made the motion to allow Solicitor and Annette to move forward with advertisement. Dave seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- b) Council decided not meeting for June. July 2nd meeting canceled and there will be a July 9, 2020 meeting.

B. Law – Michael– Its National Police Officer week

C. Streets –David–

- Dave read March & Aprils reports from the road foreman
- Motion to take Brian Thomas, streets department off of probation effective April 2, 2020 made by Dave. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Diesel fuel tank-Mike made the motion to list the extra diesel fuel tank on minicibid. David seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Overflow at the canal-there was a discussion. Mike Wentz followed purchased agreement to hire Lorah Excavator to fix. (\$1,500.00). He explained it needed to be fixed before we got more heavy rain and lost more of the canal/overflow. Patrice had issues with the way this was handled. Bill, Jen, and Mike explained Mike Wentz followed his protocol.
- Patches to be paved-there are some patches that need to be paved. We will be piggy backing with Walnutport Authority. Motion to allow Mike Wentz to move forward with prices and patchwork, piggybacking with Walnutport authority, up to \$8,000.00 made by Mike. Dave seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Twin Alley will be done next week (\$3,000.00)

D. Recreation – Jennifer-

- Walnutport Recreation Board-Jennifer
- NL Recreation Authority-Patrice
 - a) Notes from Lindsay
- WPA/WCA-Iris-fence was done.

E. Ordinance – Harold-nothing

F. Personnel – Bill – nothing

G. Secretary/Treasurer's report-Annette Lacko

- EIT/LST update-moneys are not coming in like a normal year due to covid-19
- Mercantile tax -Jen made the motion to not enforce interest and penalty on mercantile tax till July 15, 2020. Mike seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

- Per capita exoneration list-Jen made the motion to exonerate the per capita list. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Rentals for pavilion have all been canceled at pavilion
- Flower tent- Jen made motion to apply April's permit fees to May dates and reimburse Holubowski his \$150.00. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-no, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
 - a) Corner stone
 - b) Holubowski-reimbursement \$150.00
- Prochamps renewal- motion to have Bill sign renewal made by Jen. Mike seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- BCIU renewal made by Mike. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Jen made the motion to release the 2020 budgeted non profit donations. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

H. Engineer's Report –

- Street project out to bid-we received 2 bids
 - a) Asphalt Maintenance Solutions \$30,461.92
 - b) Shiffer Bituminouse Service Co \$31,455.84

Dave made the motion to award the seal coating bid to Asphalt Maintenance for \$30,461.92. Mike seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

- c) Dave made the motion to allow additional areas of seal coating up to a total project of \$40,000.00. Mike seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

I. Solicitor's Report –

- Update on Green Street

Patrice made the motion to approve the settlement agreement with Latshaw, allowing Bill to sign, with draw the condemnation in exchange the borough will install a retaining wall and a fence. Mike seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

8. New Business –

- A. street excavating permit/ordinance update will be advertised for July's meeting.
- B. Mike Wentz submitted 904 grant
- C. Mike Wentz, EMA director, gave an update on COVID-19

9. Unfinished Business- nothing

A. unfinished complaint forms-Officer Ledo working on it

B. dilapidated properties-

C. Volley Ball Court – target spring

- Carlton Miller was going to dig. A Walnutport Authority board member put a stop to him helping. Livengood Excavator will donate the machine. One of his employees will donate his time. We will pay for the fuel. It will get dug this month.

D. Pt police officer raises

10.Upcoming events

A. May 20, 2020 – E Recycling event held in borough parking lot

11.Mayor's Announcements – Wayne announced he will not reopen the playground until we are closer to green.

12.Adjournment – Iris made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. David seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Patrice-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by

Annette S. Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer