# Borough of Walnutport

# Regular Meeting Minutes

# Thursday March 10, 2022 7:00 pm

# 417 Lincoln Avenue; Walnutport, PA 18088

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- 1. William Turk President called the March 10, 2021 regular meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:00 pm in the Walnutport Borough Hall 417 Lincoln Avenue; Walnutport, PA 18088. Mr. Turk led the Pledge of allegiance.
- 2. Roll Call: William Turk, President; Harold Greene, Councilman (absent); 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; Mike Wentz, Grant Coordinator; Chief Peter Wayda; Scott Ledo, Code Enforcement Officer(absent); Kristie Wentling, Tax collector; and Annette Lacko, Secretary/Treasurer.
- 3. Present from the Public-Terry Ahner-Times News; Peggy Shannon, & James Wilson.
- 4. Peggy Shannon from Penn State Extension Master Watershed Stewards project & Jim Wilson from Northampton County Park & Recreation Department-discussion about the invasive knotweed
- 5. Opportunity for Residents & taxpayers to be Heard none
- 6. Motion made by general consent to approve A-H by Mike. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
  - A. February 10, 2022 regular meetings minutes
  - B. February 2022 Profit & Loss Report
  - C. February 2022 Bill List
  - D. February 2022 Police report
  - E. February 2022 tax Collector Report
  - F. February 2022 Zoning permit report
  - G. February 2022 UCC permit report
  - H. February 2022 Code Enforcement Officer Report
- 7. Standing Committees
  - A. Finance Jennifer
    - Need executive session
    - Garbage-heard from County Waste. Will be setting up a meeting soon.
  - B. Law Mike & Harold & Chief Wayda -
    - Blight property-working on it.
    - Cell tower-maintenance- Solicitor sending letter to new address
    - Handicapped parking-Annette will get Pete the information to look over



• Parking on Railroad Street by hot dog shop-after a council discussion, streets department will take the signs down till the business starts back up.

#### C. Streets -David

- February report –
- Motion to replace garage door at 100 Carbon Street (front) \$8,340.00 made by Patrice.
  Dave seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Mike made the motion to approve street seal coating \$5,500.00. Patrice seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Mike made the motion to approve purchase order #7307 for \$2,492.91 weed killer for 2022 & 2023. Jen seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- Discussion to repair S Canal Street (Livengood Cost \$) (borough purchase material through costar agreement) Mike Wentz will get prices from another contractor to move forward. We will be able to use American Rescue funds for this sewer trench settlement issue.
- Jen made the motion to apply for 2022 CDBG funding for Willow Street water line replacement/upgrade & street repaving. Mike seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

### Recreation - Jennifer-

- Walnutport Recreation Board-Jennifer nothing
- WPA/WCA-Iris nothing

### D. Ordinance - Patrice

- Spadt Alley 2022-03 discuss and possible action-Jen made the motion to allow Solicitor & Engineer to start the process and advertise for ordaining Spadt Alley. Mike seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- E. Secretary/Treasurer-Annette Lacko
  - Mike made the motion to waive garbage service 645 Lehigh Gap Street. Patrice seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- F. Grants/EMA Director-Mike Wentz all grants are in for LSA @ 1.7 million \$
- G. Code Enforcement Officer, Scott Ledo-
- H. Engineer's Report -
  - See report-
  - Green Street -reached out to Latshaw-no answer
  - Mike made the motion to bid out S Canal St stormwater/FEMA grant \$ project. Jen seconded the motion. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

- I. Solicitor's Report need executive session for update on 306 Oak Street
- 8. New Business-
  - A. Jen made the motion to approve NL Events committee-parade request for Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup> with rain date of Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> with the exception we will not allow road to be closed before 6:00 pm pending they submit a new letter including the police and fire police. Patrice seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
  - B. Driveway opening on Washington Street-Thomson-depression for entire front of street-Patrice made the motion to allow an additional 70 foot. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
- 9. Unfinished Business -
  - A. Geese permit
  - B. Weekly recycling? Will be meeting soon
  - C. Christmas decorations-
    - Mike made the motion to replace wreaths \$5,100 plus shipping. Dave seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.
    - Mike made the motion to sell old Christmas decorations on Municibid. Iris seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

## 10. Upcoming events

- A. E-Recycling event Wednesday May 18, 2022
- 11.Council entered into an executive session to discuss legal & personnel matters from 8:40-9:03 pm. No action taken.
- 12. Mayor's Announcements Happy Iris Day!
- 13.Adjournment Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Iris at 9:05 pm. Jen seconded the motion. Mike-yes, Iris-yes, Jen-yes, David-yes, Patrice-yes, & Bill-yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by



