

The June committee meeting 6/6/2023 was called to order by Borough Council President Bruce Markovich and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The following items were discussed by committee topic in a contiguous manner beginning at 4:00p.m.

Council members attending were Gwyneth Collevchio, Jennifer Staines, Bruce Markovich, William Chuma, Jay Doyle. Mayor Hugh Vrablic and John Turcmanovich, and Martin Ditsky were not in attendance.

### **Public Works:**

The Committee is William Chuma, John Turcmanovich, and Jay Doyle.

William Chuma gave the report: The Borough crew is working on the sewer on the island by Boyers it needed to be adjusted.

Next week they will move on to Coal Street between Bertsch Street and Patterson Street. We are getting things ready for paving streets. I have the Ordinance for trucks which is becoming a big problem. We have tractors which are disconnected from their trailers and parked all over town making it unsafe. The Solicitor worked on the Ordinance and made some changes and the vehicles that will be included to not park on the Borough streets are Construction Trucks, Commercial Buses, Motor Homes, Box Vans, House Trailers, Limousine, Maxi cube Vehicle, Mobile Homes, Recreation Trailer, Semitrailer, Stinger-steered Automobile or Boat Transporter, Tow Dolly, Trailer, Single Body Straight Truck, Truck-camper, Truck Tractor and any and all trailers attached to a motor vehicle or not, Boats, Snowmobiles, All Terrain Vehicles, and similar off road vehicles, Pickup campers, Boat Trailers, and cases or boxes used for transporting recreational equipment (whether containing that equipment or not). The Ordinance needs some changes and then it will be ready to advertise.

The Borough crew will have some patching and milling to do before paving. We need to hire a Borough Worker. I have someone in mind from the last time we interviewed. I would like to hire him part-time till the fall. Then we can see if he will be a good fit for the full-time position or not. The person I would like to hire does not have a CDL license. We can hire him at \$16.00 an hour. We still have not gotten the spreader fixed on the dump truck. We got new tires put on one trailer.

### **Municipal Administration:**

The Committee is Bruce Markovich, Martin Ditsky, Gwyneth Collevchio.

Bruce Markovich gave the report: I filed the grant for the Community Development block grant for 2023 the amount is for \$78,818.00 the money is to tear down 151 & 151 ½ W. Ridge St. it will cost \$118,000.00 to take the properties down the Borough will need to take \$39,182.00 out of COVID money for the difference. The Borough received a letter from Rose Chapello of Carbon Engineering that we have a blocked overflow on a diversion chamber, and we need to open it. The line runs from the Fire Co. property to the creek.

Two weeks ago, the Borough Workers were out posting properties for water shut off when they were approached by 2 dogs and then the owner. Since then, the Union has stepped in and said that this is not part of their job description, and they are not allowed to do it. I have talked with Ed Evans who is the constable about maybe having him do the posting for us.

Ed Evans – I can do more than serve warrants. I can do these postings for you I can also enforce Ordinances. Posting legal notices is a contract and the fee would probably be \$15.00 a posting.

Bruce mentioned that Ed could probably do high grass violations and Ed's fees can be added on to their fee.

No bid packets have been picked up for Brimble's Wall or for the Borough Garage. Wendy has some information here about websites that she can go over. We all know that there have been issues with

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getting the agendas on the website in a timely manner. I have gotten a proposal from PSAB about them creating a website for us and maintaining it. I also have 2 other proposals from 2 other companies. Ryan Eidle was there and talked about how there was a parcel of property that he was interested in down by Silberline that he would like to purchase off the Borough to open a Self-Storage. Gwyn mentioned that she likes the idea of Ryan wanting to start a business in Lansford.

### **Park and Recreation:**

The Committee is Gwyneth Collevecchio, William Chuma, Jennifer Staines.

Gwyneth Collevecchio gave the report: I met with Joe Genits, Bob Silver, Bill Chuma, Martin Ditsky and we moved the benches around down at Kennedy Park. Thank You. The American Legion guys cleaned out in front of their monument. They had a nice service on Monday, Gwyn and Bruce were in attendance. The receptacles in Kennedy Park are still in bad shape and need to be replaced. The dog situation, what do we need to do with that? We talked about the signs years ago. Bill Chuma mentioned that we need to list all the rules and post them in the park. The Mulch for the playground has arrived. On June 13 Key Bank will be doing Community Service with its employees and they will spread the mulch. The Pool bingo is on hold. Bill Chuma mentioned that the slide for the pool park has been ordered. Mario found a place to order a slide it has been ordered. The price for the slide was \$588.00 plus freight. The hobby horses at the park will be removed as well. Friday night a tree branch came down and broke the fence. The tree needs to be removed. It is a very old tree and is 80 ft high. If it comes down by itself, it will either fall on the park swings in one direction or on the road on the other side if it falls in the other direction. Denise Leibensperger mentioned the name of a company that the Borough can get cameras from for the pool. Gwyn said that she would like more cameras in the office. Jay Doyle asked what we are doing with the Skate Park.

### **Public Safety:**

The Committee is John Turcmanovich, Martin Ditsky, Gwyneth Collevecchio.

In the absence of John Turcmanovich, the report was given by Gwyneth: Gwyn mentioned that she had nothing to report. Bruce mentioned that we placed two ads in the newspapers for the hiring of Police Officers.

### **Zoning & Ordinance:**

The Committee is Jay Doyle, William Chuma, and Jennifer Staines.

Jay Doyle gave the report: Jay mentioned that he would like Jennifer to go over the Animal Ordinance. Jennifer mentioned that Martin Ditsky wanted her to put pigeons on the Ordinance. Unfortunately, Jennifer did not have her copy with her to go over it. A talk went on about chickens and roosters.

Joe Genits mentioned that the hearing that was held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May was not a UCC hearing that it was an IPMC hearing. Also mentioned was how the fee schedule should be looked at and changed if necessary.

The meeting concluded.

Respectfully Submitted, *Wendy Butrie*, Secretary Treasurer

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