

Minutes of the Warrior Run Borough
Council Meeting
December 9, 2019

The Warrior Run Council Meeting of 12/09/2019 was held at the Warrior Run Borough Building, 496 Front Street, Warrior Run, PA.

The meeting was called to order by Larry Carbohn, who led The Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Rick Kratz, Luke Matthews, John Quinn and Matt Pilch. Mayor Tom Shypulefski was present.

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 11/12/2019 were read by Tom Kneidinger. The Treasurer's Report from 11/13/2019 to 12/09/2019 was given.

A motion to accept the Minutes of the previous council meeting and the Treasurer's Report was made by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

DGK INSURANCE – JIM DAVIS: Jim Davis provided council with copies of a 2020 proposal from Astra Insurance to cover the insurance needs of the borough. Currently, EMC Insurance is the carrier for Borough insurance.

Jim Davis reviewed the 26-page Astra Insurance Proposal with council. The current insurance annual premium from EMG Insurance is approximately \$9,500.00. The estimated annual Astra Insurance premium for the same amount of coverage is estimated at approximately \$5,718.00. Jim Davis recommended to accept the Astra Insurance Proposal after he has done the final analysis of new Borough vehicles, which have to be added to the Borough policy.

There was a motion by John Quinn to pay a major portion of the State Workman's Compensation Fund (SWIF), annual billing of approximately \$6,000.00 in 01/2020, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

BUDGET: Tom Kneidinger gave the third reading of the proposed Borough financial budget for 2020. Council was previously provided with copies of the budget. No changes to the proposed budget were suggested by council after the reading was completed.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: PennEastern Engineers provided information to council concerning the Jones Street project by a transmitted letter dated 12/09/2019. PennEastern recommended change order #2 be accepted or \$9,348.75, and that the total pay application #2 to Sikora Brothers for \$80,922.25 be accepted.

PennEastern Engineers provided two final invoices for the Jones Street project. First invoice #18-149-08 is for \$4,965.00, and invoice #18-149-09 is for \$2,075.00.

A motion was made by Rick Kratz to accept the change order #2, the pay application #2, and the two final PennEastern invoices, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

Rick Kratz made a motion regarding the 2020 refuse fees and collection procedures. There was no second on the motion.

A Borough letter regarding the new refuse fees and collection procedures, per the 2020 contract with County Waste was provided to council. The letter was read aloud by the mayor to council and to the residents in attendance.

A motion was made by Matt Pilch to accept the fees and collection procedures in the letter, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 3 yes. Luke Matthews and Rick Kratz voted “no” on the motion. John Quinn abstained from the motion. Larry Carbohn, Matt Pilch and Mayor Tom Shypulefski were the 3 “yes” votes.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by John Quinn for a Special Council Meeting to be held on 12/23/19 at 7 p.m., regarding the budget, taxes and refuse contract. The motion included an organization meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m., Monday on 01/06/2020, and a Work Session at 7 p.m., seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

The meeting dates and times will be published in a local newspaper, along with the 2020 Council Meeting and Work Session schedules.

A motion was made by John Quinn for additional items needed for the snowplow on the new Ford 550 dump truck, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes. The cost of these items from C&S Auto should be between \$150-\$250.00.

ATTORNEY PATRICK AREGOOD'S REPORT: Attorney Aregood did not give a report.

POLICE REPORT: The Hanover Township Police Report for the month of 11/2019 was read by the mayor. There were 11 calls during the month. All calls for service expended 3.9 man hours. Total hours do not include time spent on routine patrol of the Borough. Officers also conducted spot checks at the two school bus stops.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor stated that the LSA Grant has been submitted to Harrisburg requesting funds for a new skidster and excavator. The Mayor's wife helped the mayor in this time consuming process.

The re-organization meeting will be held on 01/06/2020 at 6:30 p.m. Prior to the meeting, all re-elected and newly elected council members will be sworn in.

The Mayor thanked Luke Matthews for his service to the Borough. He also thanked the rest of council, the solicitor, and secretary/treasurer for their work in 2019.

A motion to accept the Police, and Mayors reports was by Rick Kratz, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The meeting was attended by 15-20 residents. The residents asked questions about the increase in refuse fees. Council responded that the lowest cost contract refuse bidder for the new contact was accepted by the Borough.

There was some discussion about recent road repair work in the Borough. One resident, Sandy Wegrzynowicz, informed council of a re-occurring storm drain problem near her residence. Council responded by stating they would look at the problem area to see what could be done to remedy the situation.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick Kratz, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 5 yes.