

Minutes of the Warrior Run Borough

Council Meeting

January 11, 2021

The Warrior Run Borough Council Meeting of 01/11/2021 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, Sharon Wengren, Matt Pilch, and John Quinn, all present. Attorney Patrick Aregood, Mayor Tom Shypulefski, and Secretary/Treasurer Tom Kneidinger were present.

A motion to accept the Minutes of the previous council meeting was made by Matt Pilch, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Sharon Wengren, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

1. OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by Rick Kratz to pay for the tax collector's annual internet expense of \$539.40, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 5 yes, to be paid from the general fund.
2. A motion was made by John Quinn to ratify payments for the SWIF Workman's Compensation of \$4,497.00 and to pay Encova Insurance \$898.00 for Workman's Compensation, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz "abstained" from the motion. This will be paid from the general fund.
3. A motion was made by Sharon Wengren to pay DGK and the Astra Insurance Co., for the annual Borough insurance premium of \$5,358.00, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes. This will be paid from the general fund.

4. A motion was made by Rick Kratz to purchase 25 tons of salt from Cargill, if needed, at \$83.50/ton or \$2,087.50 for 25 tons, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 5 yes. This will be paid from the highway fund.
1. NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Matt Pilch to purchase a new Poly Hopper lid for the new Pro 2000 Salt Spreader from C&S Auto for the total amount of \$1,100.00, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 5 yes. This would be paid from the highway aid fund. The mayor was in agreement on this motion.
2. A motion was made by John Quinn to pay Marconi Electric for the new spotlights on the back of the Borough building over the garage door in the amount of \$800.00, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted “no” on the motion. This will be paid from the general fund. The mayor was in agreement on this motion.
3. A motion was made by Matt Pilch to install new lights on the front of the Borough building and to install a new light and new switch in the basement workshop for the amount of \$550.00, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted “no” on the motion. This will be paid from the general fund. The mayor was in agreement on this motion.
4. A motion to purchase five new items for the truck shop was made by Matt Pilch:
 - A new table grinder at a cost of \$75.00
 - A new air impact gun and accessories at the cost of \$175.00
 - A new 3 ton floor jack at the cost of \$120.00
 - A new set of 6 ton truck ramps at the cost of \$40.00
 - A set of 3 ton jack stands. The price is not currently available, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted “no” on the motion.These items will be paid from the general fund. The mayor was in agreement on this motion.

ATTORNEY AREGOOD'S REPORT: Attorney Aregood informed council that there has been no significant progress in the Wooten blighted property case. Attorney Vinsko may have been discharged from the case by Mr. Wooten. Attorney Aregood stated that assessing a monetary fine may need to be assessed against Mr. Wooten to expedite repair to his property.

Attorney Aregood stated that the magistrate hearing for Mr. Tomcho has been postponed until 03/25/2021.

Attorney Aregood informed council that he has had discussions with Attorney VanLoon about the transfer of the ball park property from the Earth Conservancy and this should take place in the next 1-2 months. After the transfer, the Borough will probably be liable for the annual "rain tax" fee on the property.

Attorney Aregood provided copies of the two proposed ordinances concerning snow removal responsibilities for residents in the Borough, and a new ordinance concerning refuse payments and payment procedures in the Borough.

Rick Kratz brought up the issue of reducing refuse fees. Larry Carbohn stated that Rick Kratz was out of order, and the issue should have been discussed in "Old Business," and/or in a work session.

A motion was made by Sharon Wengren to advertise both proposed ordinances before approval by council, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the motion. The mayor was in agreement with the motion.

A motion was made by Matt Pilch to rescind the \$2,000.00 check held in escrow in the Deborah Shannon property case concerning the Borough, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 5 yes. Attorney Aregood stated that apparently a new party has moved in and occupies the above property. The mayor was in agreement on this motion.

POLICE REPORT: The mayor read the Hanover Township Police Report for the month of 12/2020. For December, there were 10 calls for service during the month. All calls for service expended 5.9 man hours. Total hours do not include time spent on routine patrol of the Borough.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor read the following report:

1. The 2019 LSA grant results will be voted upon Tuesday, 01/19/2021. Hopefully, this date will provide us with needed guidance going forward with details of equipment procurement.
2. Hanover Area will update their school recommendations, Thursday 01/14/2021. Options of online/hybrid learning will be discussed.
3. Great job by Ted Linkiewicz, John Quinn and Larry Carbohn during the winter snow storm. I received many compliments as our roads were cleared in a timely and professional manner. I traveled to other areas and witnessed unplowed areas creating dangerous situations. Great job for our dedicated workers.
4. Dog cleanup signs have been posted in various locations. Also two stop signs have been replaced due to accidents. Thank you, John Quinn and Larry Carbohn.
5. Magistrates office will reopen 03/01/2021. Working with Pat Aregood and Greg Gulick to pursue unresolved Borough violations.

A motion was made by John Quinn to accept Attorney Aregood's, the Police, and the Mayor's reports, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

PUBLIC AND FINAL COMMENTS: There were no public and final comments.

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