

Minutes of the Warrior Run Borough

Council Meeting

March 9, 2020

The Warrior Run Council Meeting of 03/09/2020 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, John Quinn, and Matt Pilch. Mayor Tom Shypulefski and Secretary/Treasurer Tom Kneidinger were present.

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

COMMUNICATIONS: Larry Carbohn informed council that the speakers have been selected to be at the March 20, 2020 Meeting of the Luzerne County Boroughs and Townships Association. The meeting will be held at Marie's Restaurant, 206 McAlpine Street, Duryea, PA.

OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by Matt Pilch, seconded by John Quinn to discuss replacing the current code Enforcement Officer. The issue of hiring a new code Enforcement Officer was tabled until the next Work Session.

There was a motion made by Matt Pilch, seconded by John Quinn to discuss payment of a \$1,000.00 insurance premium on the Borough's fire truck, which is kept at the Warrior Run Volunteer Fire Co. This issue went unresolved, but led to the discussion of the sale of the Borough's fire truck.

A motion was made by Rick Kratz to sell the Borough's fire truck, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. Larry Carbohn voted "no" on the motion.

NEW BUSINESS: Larry Carbohn provided an estimate of \$581.56 from Fast Signs of Wilkes-Barre for the purchase of three signs for the Borough. One large sign for the maintenance building at a cost of \$436.89, and two smaller signs for \$22.86, and \$88.89.

A motion to purchase the three signs was made by Matt Pilch, seconded by Sharon Wengren, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to have undercoating applied to the new Borough trucks was made by Sharon Wengren, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes. The cost of the undercoating for the two trucks will be about \$850.00.

ATTORNEY PATRICK AREGOOD'S REPORT: Attorney Aregood was absent.

POLICE REPORT: The Hanover Township Police Report for February of 2020 was read by the Mayor. There were 8 calls for service during the month. All calls for service expended 7.67 man hours. Total hours do not include time spent on routine patrol of the Borough. We remind residents that if you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood, please call 911.

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

1. The meeting room is taking shape with the proclamations, documents and pictures to follow. We have to start getting the office organized, as dignitaries have stated they would like to drop in on our monthly meetings. We should look professional at all times. The inner office is a reflection of our work, our organizational skills and how seriously we want to advances.
2. I would like to ask council to propose that we throw away the old checks, envelopes, forms and various materials that reflect the old address and/or the mayor's information from three years ago. This is an embarrassment to the Borough that utility companies, newspaper billing offices, Harrisburg, and other prominent authorities list our address as the Corner of Hanover and Front with the wrong contact information. This is not a 911 address, or legit location. Harrisburg and business offices have contact information from past mayor's, board presidents, road master's from many years ago. They have changed this multiple times, only to change it back when we send out incorrect information on checks, and other Borough information.

We have a full box of correct checks from November that we refuse to use. Please, let's look professional.

3. State Representative Gerald Mullery has secured a citation for the Borough's 125th anniversary and has scheduled his attendance at our 04/13/2020 Council Meeting. This will be presented to the Mayor on behalf of Warrior Run. I have seen the citation and his office did a wonderful job of procuring this citation from the PA. House of Representatives.
4. Senator Yudichak, Governor Tom Wolf's Office, US Representative Matt Cartwright, US Senator Pat Toomey, and The White House have been contacted and confirmed they are working on processing such documents. They have all expressed interest in our celebration. Strong indications that all will personally attend or send representation.
5. The Hanover Township Crime Watch has contacted me and requested permission to schedule their April meeting at our location. They are having multiple meeting locations throughout the year and would like for us to be involved in their rotation plan. Their meeting will be this Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 7 p.m. Every Warrior Run resident is invited to attend.
6. There are participation letters for residents to be involved in the Borough's 125th Anniversary celebration. The festival is fully funded by the WR 125 Assn., and does not receive funding by the Warrior Run Borough. To make this celebration a success, a sponsorship booklet, along with fundraisers will help raise funds to defer the expenses. This is a very costly event and resident's participation is essential. Please consider your involvement in the festival.
7. Spring is upon us, thus the festival will be here soon. Please start cleaning your residential area to portray a proper appearance of Warrior Run, as the parade is scheduled for 08/11/2020 at 11 a.m. There will be dignitaries, outside vendors, and press to cover the event. The parade will cover Chestnut, Front, Bauer, Orchard and Hanover. Please spread the word to your neighbors and let's all band together and give a great impression of the Borough.

8. The Census is now in starting the process of hiring employees. If residents are interested, apply online at 2020census.gov/jobs. Also, please participate in the Census, it is very important that every Warrior Run resident is counted toward the Borough receiving the maximum amount of federal and local funding.
9. Finally, please take caution with the outbreak of the Coronavirus. Please use the following hygiene precautions. Keep hands clean and distance yourself from sick people, wash hands for at least 20 seconds, avoid touching your eyes, face and mouth, cough or sneeze into your elbow to direct germs away from your hands. If you are sick, stay home and contact your doctor.

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

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

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