

## Minutes of the Warrior Run Council Meeting

May 9, 2016

The Warrior Run Council Meeting of 05/09/2016 was held at the Warrior Run Borough Building, Front and Hanover Streets, Warrior Run, PA.

The meeting was called to order by Luke Matthews, who also led The Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Rick Kratz, Sandra Wegrzynowicz, Larry Carbohn, and Matt Pilch.

The minutes of the 04/11/2016 Council Meeting were read by Thomas Kneidinger. The Treasurer's Report from 04/12/2016 to 05/09/2016 was given.

A motion to accept the Minutes and the Treasurer's Report was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 5 yes.

COMMUNICATIONS: Luke Matthews read a letter dated 04/22/2016 from Mark Hurst, the Municipal Projects Manager for Luzerne County Community Development. The letter pertained to the income surveys for the proposed projects on Jones and Slope Streets. The letter stated that the Jones Street does not qualify as an eligible project. However, Slope Street does qualify as an eligible project.

Luke Matthews read a letter dated 04/28/2016 from Elizabeth M. Denardi, Recycling Coordinator of Luzerne County Solid Waste Management Department. The letter pertained to two tire recycling events in Drums, PA, and locally, at the Hanover Area Junior/Senior High School on 06/11/2016. There was detailed information given regarding the limits and registration for the event. It was discussed that the Borough road crew would pick up tires from individual Borough residents on 06/10/2016. This information would be advertised to Borough residents.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a discussion about fixing the storm water pipe on the Shannon property. Larry Carbohn stated he has read the court order documents regarding this issue, to get a better understanding of the work to be done by the Borough. Removal of a tree on the Shannon property seems not to be ordered by the court order, it might be beneficial to remove the tree. Currently, the cost of the project is estimated at about \$5,000.00.

There was a motion by Rick Kratz to begin work on the Shannon project, seconded by Matt Pilch and passed by 5 yes. There was a caveat mentioned, and that is a maintenance easement must be signed by Ms. Shannon before work can be started on the project.

The Mayor stated she investigated the sewer use fees Warrior Run is being billed by Hanover Township. The fees have increased since 2008 from \$12.50/unit to 14.50/unit. The Mayor contacted Hanover Township Officials who were aware of these charges, and expected they would probably be increased sometime in the future.

Rick Kratz brought up the issue of water problems on the Chuck Bonsavage property. He stated that the Borough should make an effort to correct these problems.

There was a discussion of the purchase of a spare pump for the pump station. The approximate costs of the pump would be \$5,000.00. However, it was determined that the condition and possible replacement of an airlock at the pump station should be considered before the purchase of a spare pump. There was a discussion of smaller maintenance items that are needed at the pump station. The approximate cost of these items would be \$600.00. Larry Carbohn made a motion to purchase these items, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 5 yes.

NEW BUSINESS: There was a brief discussion of the Borough garbage revenue ordinance. The Mayor stated that traditionally, people who move into the Borough during the calendar year are charged a pro-rated amount for the balance of the year. This amount has been \$15.00/month.

A motion to dispose of old maintenance items no longer useful was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to purchase 88 yards of playground mulch for \$2,050.00 was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to purchase a \$200.00 power washer for the Borough vehicles was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Sandra Wegrzynowicz, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to hire D.J. Linker for the Road Crew was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 5 yes.

A motion to add Larry Carbohn as a check-signer for the Borough and delete Rick Kratz as a check-signer was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Sandra Wegrzynowicz, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the motion.

A motion to replace Rick Kratz as President Pro Temp of the Council with Larry Carbohn was made by Larry Carbohn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the motion.

Rick Kratz brought up the issue of purchasing additional Workman's Compensation Coverage for Borough firemen. The additional coverage would cost about \$150.00-180.00/year for additional coverage up to \$1,000,000.00 from about \$100,000.00.

There was a discussion of the Police Evidence Room in the Borough Building going back to the time when the Borough had its own police department. It was determined that the Nanticoke Police Department would have to be involved to determine the status of the materials in the evidence room.

**ATTORNEY PATRICK J. AREGOOD'S REPORT:** Attorney Aregood informed Council that a utility or maintenance easement must be signed by Debbie Shannon before the Borough can begin work on her property.

Attorney Aregood gave the ordinance to the Secretary regarding the transfer of the 5% penalty for late payment of Real Estate Taxes to the delinquent taxpayer from the Borough.

Attorney Aregood stated provisions have been put in place for Hanover Township to respond to "911 calls" from the Borough.

**POLICE REPORT:** There was no Police Report.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor stated that the properties on 525 Front Street, 419 Front Street, and 476 Beaumont Street have issues that would best be handled by the Borough's Code Enforcement Officer.

A motion to accept Attorney Aregood's, and the Mayor's report was made by Sandra Wegrzynowicz, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 5 yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sean Levandoski of 545 Front Street suggested that access to the playground be restricted after certain hours at night.

Pat O'Brien of 281 Beaumont Street had several questions regarding the recent purchase by the Borough of the mower tractor. Mr. O'Brien was informed that there was a 2-year warranty on the tractor.

John Bath of 359 Chestnut Street had a brief discussion on sewer maintenance. He also suggested that some maintenance be performed on the siren, which is on top of the Borough Building.

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