

Minutes of the Warrior Run Borough
Council Meeting of
November 13, 2018

The Warrior Run Council Meeting of 11/13/2018 was held at the Warrior Run Borough Building, Front and Hanover Streets, Warrior Run, PA.

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

The Minutes of the Council Meeting of 10/09/2018 were read by Thomas Kneidinger. The Treasurer's report from 10/10/2018 to 11/13/2018 was given.

A motion to accept the Minutes and the Treasurer's Report was made by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

COMMUNICATION: None.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a motion to enact the Sewer Operation and Maintenance Ordinance #103 (revised) by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

There as a motion to approve the water shutoff agreement dated 09/06/2018 between Warrior Run Borough and the Pennsylvania American Water Company (PAWC), by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. This shutoff agreement was filed with the Pennsylvania Utility Commission on 10/11/2018.

Rick Kratz made a motion to have the \$61,345.00 in a PNC Bank CD be transferred to Goldman Sachs at a significantly higher interest rate than what was earned at PNC. There was no second on the motion.

There was a motion to have the \$61,345.00 in a PNC bank CD transferred to an M&T Bank CD at a significantly higher interest rate than what was earned at PNC, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 3 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the motion. The M&T CD rate would be an approximate annual interest rate of 2.3% to 2.5%.

There was a motion to change the locks on the Borough building and provide new keys to the designated Borough officials, and to change a lock at the pole barn, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 3 yes. Rick Kratz voted “no” on the motion. The cost of new locks and keys would be approximately \$225.00 to \$275.00.

There was a motion to pay for fuel used by Borough vehicles from the general fund, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. It was determined that paying for vehicle fuel out of the highway aid fund would be a large administrative burden for Borough personnel.

Based on a settlement conference ruling on 10/30/2018, in the Debbie Shannon suit against the Borough, the Borough agrees to the following:

- Ms. Shannon must obtain an outside contractor to repair her property. The Borough will pay up to \$2,000.00 to the contractor for the property repair.

A motion to pay for this procedure was made by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

It was determined that council approved the 2019 refuse charges to be the same as 2018 refuse charges for Borough residents, at the 11/13/2018 Council Meeting. The standard annual refuse fee will be \$170.00, and \$215.00 for late payment of the fee.

A motion to buy one ton of cold patch for Borough streets was made by John Quinn, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 4 yes.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion to hire PennEastern Engineers to do the engineering work for the proposed Jones Street project, funded by the Department of Community Development, was made by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

A motion was made to purchase 25 tons or rock salt from Cargill, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

A motion was made to approve payment to purchase and install a new monitor and to perform annual maintenance by Jetvac at the pump station, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

The approximate monitor costs are \$650.00 and the Jetvac cost of about \$1,300.00, done by Roto-Rooter.

A motion was made to approve payment for the pipes used in the Short Street project, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. The approximate cost of the pipes should be \$500.00 - \$1,000.00.

A motion was made to pay Attorney Patrick Aregood's legal fees for recent work on the Debbie Shannon lawsuit, and any recent legal advertising fees he may have incurred, by Matt Pilch, seconded by John Quinn, and passed by 4 yes.

A motion was made to pay the application fee for a playground grant when initiated by a Borough official, by Rick Kratz, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

A motion was made to pay fill-in crossing guards a fee of \$20.00, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

A motion was made to pay an application fee of \$100.00 for LSA Grants for a new dump truck, a new pickup truck and repair the handicap ramp at the Borough building, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. Rick Kratz qualified his vote by stating the Borough should only apply for one truck to fulfill Borough needs.

A motion was made to approve a resolution, if the above LSA grants are approved, that Mayor Tom Shypulefski, President of Council Larry Carbohn, and Secretary/Treasurer Tom Kneidinger, act as administrators for the grants, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 3 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the resolution. The total amount request in the resolution for two trucks and the ramp is \$121,592.72.

A motion was made for new lights in the Borough building's basement, and in the truck bay, by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes. The approximate cost of the lights will be \$250.00.

ATTORNEY AREGOOD'S REPORT: Attorney Aregood was absent.

POLICE REPORT: The Hanover Township Police Report for 10/2018 was read by the Mayor. There were 12 calls during the month. All calls for service expanded 6.5 man hours. These hours do not include time spent on routine patrol of the Borough and conducting spot checks at the bus stops.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor stated that Senator Yudichak's office has discussed the water problems on Hanover and Beaumont Streets with PennDOT. According to PennDOT, the problems are caused by runoff in the Borough. Senator Yudichak's office suggested a meeting be set up between PennDOT, Borough officials, and the Borough's engineer to discuss a long-term solution, with possible grant money.

The Mayor stated he would like to thank Carl Kreitzer and Rachel Mikolajek, who worked short-handed to cover the voting place, during the recent election. He also would like to thank Theresa Shypulefski for covering the crossing guard vacancy, and to thank John Quinn and Larry Carbohn for getting Borough vehicles ready for winter.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dennis Kijek, who owns property on Slope Street, stated there are continuing water problems on his property. Council stated that water testing could be done to determine the source of the excess water.

Dolores Mynes, a resident, inquired if there was money in the 2019 budget for playground mulch. Council stated that there was money in the budget for mulch. Ms. Mynes also recommended that prisoners could be used for Borough work during the summer months. This procedure had been used successfully in the past. There also was a brief discussion of the Borough's water shutoff agreement with PAWC.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Quinn, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.