

Minutes of The Warrior Run Borough
Council Meeting
October 9, 2018

The Warrior Run Work session of 10/09/2018 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 09/10/2018 were read by Thomas Kneidinger. The Treasurer's Report from 09/11/2018 to 10/09/2018 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 3 yes. Rick Kratz voted "no" on the motion.

COMMUNICATIONS: Larry Carbohn stated that the Borough has received only one proposal regarding the engineering work to be done on Jones Street. According to Community Development requirements, the Request For Proposal must be advertised again. Council agreed to have PennEastern Engineers re-submit the request for proposal for advertisement.

Larry Carbohn reminded the mayor and council of the Luzerne County Borough and Townships Association meeting will be held on 10/24/2018 at the Genetti Hotel in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a motion by John Quinn to hire All American Rooter for additional storm drain work on certain Borough streets, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

NEW BUSINESS: Rick Kratz made a motion to discuss investing Borough funds at a higher interest rate than what is currently being gained with a financial organization in the New York City area. There was no second on the motion.

Larry Carbohn requested a motion to transfer \$61,213.00 held in a Certificate of Deposit from PNC Bank to an M&T Bank Certificate of Deposit at a higher interest rate. John Quinn made a motion to table this request, seconded by Rick Kratz, and passed by 3 yes. Larry Carbohn voted “no” on the motion.

Larry Carbohn stated that LSA Grants for Borough projects may be obtained in the future.

ATTORNEY AREGOOD’S REPORT: Attorney Aregood stated that the Borough’s water shutoff request for residents with large past due sewer O&M bills with both the Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA) and Pennsylvania American Water Company (PAWC) have not been finalized.

Attorney Aregood provided council with a copy of the water shutoff services to be provided by WVSA, if the Borough is finalizing this agreement with WVSA. Attorney Aregood stated that it is his understanding that PAWC provides similar water shutoff services.

Council agreed that the Borough’s contact person for both shutoff services would be Rick Kratz.

Attorney Aregood informed council of a potential development in the Keith Urbanski lawsuit against the Borough. Mr. Urbanski may be in the process of obtaining a new attorney in this suit.

Attorney Aregood informed Council that the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas has ordered a settlement conference in the Deborah Shannon suit versus the Borough. The conference has been rescheduled to be held before Judge Joseph J. Van Jura and is to take place on Tuesday, 10/30/2018 at 1:30 p.m. on the third floor of the Luzerne County Penn Place Building. Attorney Aregood stated that as of this date, Ms. Shannon has not provided the insurance company with an IRS W-9 Form. The insurance company has made this a requirement before the final payment can be released to Ms. Shannon.

Attorney Aregood provided council with a format of the public notice, which would be used to advertise the Borough’s revised Sewer and Maintenance Ordinance No. 103 of 2018.

POLICE REPORT: The Hanover Township Police Report for 09/2018 was read by the mayor. There were 13 calls during the month. All calls for service expended 9.6 man hours. These hours do not include time spent on routine patrol of the Borough. Officers issued 4 traffic citations during traffic control details on Hanover Street.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor stated he is waiting for a reply from the insurance adjuster regarding the ramp in front of the Borough Building. After hearing from the insurance company, a course of action can be taken to correct the situation. If the Borough does not resolve the ramp situation, according to Luzerne County Election Regulations, residents will be required to vote at a different location.

The mayor stated he would like to thank Larry Carbohn, Matt Pilch and John Quinn for the street work on Short Street, and various locations within the Borough. They worked on their own time to improve conditions in the Borough.

A motion to accept Attorney Aregood's, the Police, and the Mayor's Report was made by Rick Kratz, seconded by Matt Pilch, and passed by 4 yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: A resident on Slope Street made the Borough aware of water problems on his property. Council responded that it would look into the problem.

A resident of the rear of Boyle Street inquired if it would be possible to adjust street signs in the area, to clarify the location of house addresses, particularly with respect to contacting Emergency Services at 911. Council stated that they would try to get more information on this issue.

The Treasurer of The Warrior Run Volunteer Fire Company, Joseph Simovich, requested that an informational meeting be set up between the Fire Company and Borough Council. Council was receptive to the idea, but no specifics were determined regarding the meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick Kratz, seconded by John Quin, and passed by 4 yes.