

Borough of Newburg Meeting Minutes March 5, 2018

The Newburg Borough Council met on March 5, 2018 at the Newburg Borough office with the following present: Mayor Nick Spencer, President Nathan Shoemaker, Vice President Melissa Negley, Jessica LeGore, Richard Laughlin II, Secretary - Sara Rhine. Visitors: Solicitor – Joel Rimby Tyler Gamble and Chance Gray with NHVFD, Tina Johns.

The meeting was called to order by President Shoemaker 6:31pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval: President Shoemaker asked for a motion to approve the minutes for February 19, 2018 with out corrections. Moved by Richard Laughlin II, seconded by Melissa Negley and approved by all.

Visitors: Tina Johns was present to give her letter of resignation for the auditor position. Tina Johns stated that she was not even aware was elected. Tina did say she would be available to help Council in any way. Council asked if she would be willing to be a member of the Zone Hearing Board and she agreed.

President Shoemaker asked for a motion to accept Tina Johns resignation as auditor Melissa Negley motioned, seconded by Richard Laughlin II, approved by all.

President Shoemaker asked for a motion to appoint Tina Johns to the Zone Hearing Board for a 3 year term ending December 31st 2020, Richard Laughlin II motion and Jessica LeGore seconded, approved by all.

Treasurer's Report: President Shoemaker asked for a motion to pay bills. Moved by Jessica LeGore, seconded by Richard Laughlin II and approved by all.

Sara Rhine to mail 4 checks.

Council reviewed auditor Jay Shuman 's compensation. President Shoemaker suggested \$250 for 2015, \$150 for 2016 and \$150 for 2017.

President Shoemaker asked for a motion to pay Jay Shuman \$250 for 2015 audit, \$150 for 2016 audit, and \$150 for audit of 2017, Melissa Negley motioned and Jessica LeGore seconded, approved by all.

Unfinished Business: Act 172- Sara Rhine provided Joel Rimby with date of Tax Payers Bill of Rights. Joel Rimby stated that it doesn't matter when we advertise the ordinance to enact Act 172. It was suggested to keep the item tabled until June to keep potential tax questions from coming in regarding the ordinance.

Council asked Joel Rimby to create a Ordinance eliminating the elected auditor position and have the position be appointed and to be completed at the reorganization meeting if possible.

New Business: Sara Rhine brought rental license that need to be signed for Wenger, Wewer, Gibbons, and L. Wadel, they have been inspected and have paid their license fee for 2018.

President Shoemaker found a grant for Sidewalks, lighting, or pedestrian safety that the Borough could be eligible for. President Shoemaker asked for suggestions. Council suggested LED lights for the Borough, Sara Rhine to start the process after her grant writing training.

Sara Rhine asked the Borough about purchasing a new flag to replace the ripped one at the memorial. Sara Rhine called the Mark Keller's Office in Shippensburg and they will donate one 3'x5' flag per year but other

flags would cost \$14 each. President Shoemaker suggested that we call the VFW and American Legion in Shippensburg.

Jessica LeGore left the meeting at 7:37 pm.

Next Municipal Advisory meeting on March 20th 7pm. President Shoemaker asked who would want to go, that the meetings are informative and there is a meal provided. The Borough will need to RSVP.

Joel Rimby gave an update on the alley vacation. Eight alleys were on the list and only seven of which exist on the tax map. A resident claims that he has ownership of the alley and has had it for 10 plus years. Joel stated they cannot quiet title from a municipality. Erik Vranich is getting distances for Joel on the alleys. Also alley on (Gum Alley) the owners use for access to their garages and the alleys borders Hopewell Township and will need an easement. Council suggested removing the alley from the vacation list.

Correspondence: Sara Rhine received an email from Hopewell Township from Lonny Reed at 105 Curtis Ave., stating that there was a lien put on his property 6 years ago due to a debt, that was paid but the lien was never removed. Joel Rimby was given the address and said that he will check on it Tuesday and let us know.

Roundtable: The dogs at the Apple Wood apartments are still an issue.

Mayor Nick Spencer entered at 8:25pm.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Spencer states that we must have missed some items on our credit application for Orrstown Bank.

Mayor Spencer asked if we have sent our our community donations (Ship EMS, Shippensburg Library, etc.) for the year. Council confirmed that we have not.

Roundtable: Sara Rhine asked if our Tax Collector would be present for any meetings. President Shoemaker stated that she has classes on Monday nights. Sara Rhine stated she is currently getting mail and phone calls for Jessica Wolfe. Sara Rhine stated that she is going to email Jessica any voice mails that she receives and any mail that is received by her for Jessica will be time stamped and put in Jessica's mailbox.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm, on a motion made by Melissa Negley, seconded by Richard Laughlin II and was approved by all.

Submitted by,

Sara Rhine
Borough of Newburg