

Borough of Newburg Meeting Minutes June 17, 2019

The Newburg Borough Council met on June 17, 2019 at the Newburg Borough office with the following present: Mayor Melissa Negley, President Nathan Shoemaker, Amber Metcalfe, Dan Lehman, Jessica Alleman, Secretary – Sara Rhine, Visitors: Treasurer – Bonnie Aleshire.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Negley 6:38pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minute Approval: President Shoemaker asked for a motion to approve the minutes with one grammatical error, remove the duplicate “to” in last line of correspondence. Moved by Dan Lehman, seconded by Amber Metcalfe, and approved by all.

Visitors: n/a

President Nathan Shoemaker entered at 7:34 pm and chair was passed.

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Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report and checks were reviewed. Bonnie asked if the mulch reimbursement for Nathan Shoemaker should go under the account code for maintenance. Sara Rhine said that it was part of the Memorial Day celebration. Bonnie stated that the quarterly tax has been moved over to Muncy Bank. Bonnie stated that earned income and professional fees are up believes it is timing with billing. President Shoemaker asked for a motion to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills, with one question regarding Salzman Hughes bill amount. Moved by Amber Metcalfe, seconded by Dan Lehman, and approved by all.

Unfinished Business: President Shoemaker and Mayor Melissa Negley met with the Cumberland County Landfill with our proposal. CCL thought that our proposal was a little steep and asked to meet again early in July with our updated proposal options. Council stated that each plan should include the ability to renegotiation if changes should occur at the landfill. It was stated that the merger with Waste Management has no bearing at this time. President Shoemaker asked for a motion to accept the proposal with the 3 options discussed for negotiations with minor changes for CCL. Moved by Dan Lehman, seconded by Amber Metcalfe, approved by all.

Erik suggested advertising bids on July 1 & 8. Open bids on July 30 for review and award on August 5. John of WM Hill & Associates is trying to schedule a meeting with Interstate Paving and we were able to obtain a bid from Snokes. President Shoemaker asked for a motion to advertise the Water St/Trench drain projects. Moved by Amber Metcalfe, seconded by Dan Lehman, approved by all.

Newburg Hopewell Joint Authority hasn't reported anything new regarding billing. Jessica Alleman stated that the authority is going to have Ingrid Kalb do the billing for the third quarter. Council discussed submitting a right to know for the delinquent subscribers.

205 West Main St. lien – There is nothing new to report but Sara Rhine will follow up with Karen at White Rose Settlement on the progress. Karen is currently out of the office.

Sign Maintenance - The sign agreement with North Newton from 2011 is the way that North Newton would like to proceed. President Shoemaker had one suggested to remove the service call fee should be normal hourly rate and signs should be offered at costs. Council will need to sign agreement to proceed with updated information.

Sara Rhine and President Shoemaker viewed the Newville Borough Water and Sewer Authority truck that is coming up for sale and it is in really good condition. Sara Rhine sent a letter of interest to the authority for review at their meeting tonight.

New Business: President Shoemaker asked for an update on the LED light upgrades. Sara Rhine followed up with Janet Hoover and Janet assured Sara that this process will take a few weeks to get the lights in and get them installed.

Code Enforcement – 3 Curtis Ave is in foreclosure. The borough filed a citation at the MDJ in June 5 2019. Sara Rhine mailed sidewalk notifications for 6/8 North High St. and 11 E Main St. Sara stated that 114 East Main St was contacted again about an inspection since the homeowner is living back in the house and also reminded them of the sidewalk being in violation.

Wood carvings have not been posted for sale yet. The carvings need removed from the park first and most are in the ground and will need dug out or cut down.

New committee discussion-Talks determined that two members of Council can be on the committee or subcommittee. A subcommittee can be funded with public funds but their meetings must be advertised and open to the public.

Roundtable: Dan Lehman stated that he will not be at the meeting on August 5.

Sara Rhine asked Council about the right of way on Gum Alley as she was contacted by the owner and they stated other people use the alley. It was suggested that the owner of 204 N High St contact their insurance agent regarding liability. Sara also told Council she will be serving on a federal jury for the next week and half so if you need anything please email.

Amber Metcalfe asked if we could do fireworks this year. Council stated that it could possibly be done at the church.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm. Moved by Dan Lehman, seconded by Amber Metcalfe, and approved by all.

Submitted by, Sara Rhine