

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
March 5, 2018 @ 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

Council Members: George Anderson, Micah Dietz, Josh Kilmer, Gary Rouse, and Josh VanDeMark

Others: Susan Burgess, Mayor; Dale Grover, Ordinance Enforcement & Borough Maintenance; and Joanne Vago, Secretary/Treasurer

Public: Barry Ballard, Jason Boatman, Cain Chamberlain (Rocket-Courier), Coy Gobble (The Daily Review), Lester Price, Nathaniel and Denise Schloder, and Robert Tuttle

Josh Kilmer, President led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. He acknowledged the use of a digital voice recorder.

Mayor's Report: The State police handled 35 calls in Wyalusing Borough for the month of February 2018 – the significant calls were 1 sex offense, 1 corruption of minors, 1 hit & run crash, 1 welfare check, 1 suspicious vehicle, and 1 traffic violation – other. The other calls were routine in nature and mostly consisted of patrol checks of area businesses. The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a shred day on April 21st and wanted to know if the Borough Clean-Up Day would coordinate with date. The Borough Secretary will contact RG Brown to change their already scheduled date of May 19, 2018 to April 21, 2018.

Citizen's Comments and Concerns: Denise and Nathaniel Schloder were following up on their complaint to Council regarding the feral cat issue. An Ordinance prepared by the Borough Solicitor regarding feral cats is being reviewed by Council. Mayor Burgess again suggested that Denise contact Dr. Lori Smith at the Wyalusing Veterinary Clinic for her suggestions. The Council will also look into what it is legally able to do about this issue. Lester Price also complained about the feral cats on Second Street as well as speeding and running Stop signs on Second Street. Mayor Burgess will contact the State Police. Mr. Price also mentioned the drinking water and he was referred to the WMA Meeting on March 13, 2018.

Robert Tuttle – RTL requested the continuation of the Borough Park for Little League with a \$500 donation to the Borough for lights. They will also solicit bids for mowing for the portion they are responsible for. Micah Dietz made the motion to approve the request, seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Jason Boatman requested that the Borough approve the closing of Main Street on Saturday June 16, 2018 from 7:00am until 5:00pm for the Art and Music Festival. They will take care of the permits required from PennDot and will notify the Main Street business owners of the

closure. The motion to approve the request was made by Josh VanDeMark and seconded by Gary Rouse. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the February 5, 2018 Vacancy Board Meeting and the February 5, 2018 Regular Meeting were reviewed by Council members. Micah Dietz made the motion to accept the Minutes, seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Rouse made the motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by George Anderson. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by Council members. The President accepted the report and it was filed for audit.

Borough Maintenance/Ordinance Enforcement Officer Report: The detailed monthly report was previously distributed to the Council members. (1) Hud Ellis has been assisting with the light issue in the Borough, fixed conduits, (2) Mick Goodwin from Milnes Engineering looked at the Brewer Hollow site for possible road, will return in Spring, (3) lights in the cemetery – need to contact Penelec regarding disconnecting pole lights, (4) received telephone bids from Suit-Kote (\$11,587.50) and Bishop's (\$8,500) for seal-coating in the Borough. Josh VanDeMark made the motion to accept the bid from Bishop's, seconded by Gary Rouse. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster's report and invoice were reviewed by Council members. The Borough solicitor has raised his rate to \$110/hr.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report: Gary Rouse reported that the rate increase is due to the upkeep of the infrastructure. There was a discussion regarding the garage and the working relationship with WMA. There needs to be a written agreement regarding the use of the garage, etc. Gary Rouse and Josh Kilmer will attend a meeting with the Authority.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) **Notice from WOC Energy Services** – Annual Downstream Notification
- (2) **Bradford County Veterans Memorial Park** – Fund Request Letter
- (3) **Letter from PennDot** – Liquid Fuels Allocation of \$24,211.65 which has been received and deposited in the State Fund account
- (4) **Letter from Tuscarora Wayne** – Formal request to zone their properties Business II
- (5) **DuPont** – Annual Downstream Notification

New Business:

- (1) **Spring Cleanup.** The spring cleanup for Wyalusing Borough is scheduled for April 21, 2018 to coincide with the Chamber of Commerce's Shred Day/Earth Day.
- (2) **Web-Site Hosting** – The Borough Secretary will pursue the hosting of the Borough web site with PSAB as to cost, process, etc.

- (3) Resolution for DCNR Grant** – The grant for the Wyalusing Borough Creekside Park requires a resolution passed by Council that they will be bound by the Grant Agreement should it be awarded. Micha Dietz made the motion to sign Resolution 2018-3 for the grant proposal. The motion was seconded by George Anderson and carried unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business:

- (1) Playground** – Decision made not to seek grant funding for this project since it may affect the Borough getting bigger money for grants. The Borough has already budgeted funds for this year and will earmark funds for next year's budget as well. The Council asked Gary Rouse to research costs of the site preparation and playground equipment for further discussion.
- (2) Solar Lights for 706 Sign** – Gary Rouse and Dale Grover will look into getting solar lights for this sign.
- (3) T-W Request for Rezoning** – Will be discussed in Executive Session.
- (4) Zoning Board/Planning Committee** – Notice to be placed in The Rocket regarding the need for Zoning Board/Planning Committee members.

The Council meeting adjourned at 8:15pm for an Executive Session. No action was taken. The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:25pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago
Secretary/Treasurer