

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
February 4, 2019 at 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on February 4, 2019 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

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

Others: Susan Burgess, Mayor, Dale Grover, Ordinance Enforcement & Borough Maintenance, Steven Lewis (Prospective Council Member), and Joanne Vago, Secretary/Treasurer

Public: James Lowenstein (Rocket-Courier) and Samuel Bennett (Daily Review)

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.

Josh Kilmer announced that George Anderson submitted his letter of resignation from Council on January 9, 2019, effective January 7, 2019. Micah Dietz made the motion to accept the resignation, seconded by Josh VanDeMark. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. Steven Lewis was appointed to the vacant office and was sworn in by Mayor Burgess.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor reported on police activity: 10 Incidents: 2 - theft by unlawful taking; 2 – see Officer; 1 – drug possession; 1 – non-reportable crash; 1 – simple assault; 3 – motor carrier inspection. Still awaiting information on DCED grant.

Citizen's Comments and Concerns: None

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the January 7, 2019 Regular Meeting were distributed previously and reviewed by Council members. Josh VanDeMark made the motion to accept the Minutes as reviewed, seconded by Micah Dietz. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: Gary Rouse made the motion to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Josh VanDeMark and 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. Also reported: (1) Chuck Howard has asked about the Canal Street/Route 6 vacant lot. He would like to put a motor home or travel trailer and a shed on this property. And if that was approved would also be interested in the Voda property to turn into a B&B. The motor home/shed would require a special variance and would need to go before the Zoning Hearing Board. Dale will relay this information. (2) Asked

about storing cinders. After a short discussion it was decided to obtain cinders from another municipality if needed. (3) There was a discussion regarding a Sea container for bulk salt. It is \$3600 for a new one and is 20' by 8 ½' high. The thought is to put it in the corner of the municipal lot. Further information will be forthcoming at the next meeting. (4) There are currently no markers at the cemetery which can cause a problem with burials if Mike is not available. This is especially true for Section 6. Gary Rouse and Dale Grover will report more at the next meeting.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster's report and invoice were reviewed by Council members.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report: Gary Rouse reported that the Authority is still working on the agreement for well drilling and that a cover came off and someone drove over it and damaged their car.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) Completeness Report – Brewer Hollow Crossing
- (2) GWCC Invitation to General Membership Meeting on 2/7/2019 and GWCC Meeting Minutes from 12/20/2018
- (3) More information on Floodplain proposed changes
- (4) DCNR Grant Information for 2019
- (5) Storb Environmental Incorporated – Downstream Notification and Public Notice
- (6) GTP – Annual Downstream Notification
- (7) 2019 Pennsylvania Elections – Important Dates to Remember
- (8) Letter regarding Liquid Fuels Audit 2018
- (9) Letter from Norfolk Southern Corporation and Foster response
- (10) Tract Engineering PLLC – Annual Downstream Notification

New Business:

- (1) Ameriprise CD for \$59,000 that matured on 1/28/2019 will be rolled over along with the interest.
- (2) A motion to adopt the amendment to Ordinance 44 Vehicles & Traffic regarding Marsh Street was made by Micah Dietz and seconded by Gary Rouse. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (3) The Statement of Financial Interest forms that are due May 1, 2019 were distributed.
- (4) A motion to approve the Borough Council Committees was made by Micah Dietz and seconded by Gary Rouse. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. The COG representative was left blank for the moment.

Old Business:

- (1) Business cellphones were again discussed. Josh VanDeMark made the motion to approve 3 business cell phones on a monthly trial basis. The motion was seconded by Micah Dietz and carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (2) The Personnel Handbook is still pending.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40m

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago
Secretary/Treasurer