

WYALUSING BOROUGH REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Wyalusing Borough Hall
June 3, 2019 at 7:00pm

The Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular meeting at the Wyalusing Borough Hall on June 3, 2019 at 7:00pm. Those in attendance were:

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

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

Public: Warren Howeler (Rocket-Courier) and Samuel Bennett (The 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.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor reported that there were 13 State Police calls in April and 15 State Police calls in May 2019. Working with Chris Wood of Hunt Engineering on a better plan for the Creek Project and doing the paperwork for the deed transfer to Wyalusing Borough. Attended the Route 6 Alliance meeting in Wellsboro. They are in the process of designating Route 6 as a federal byway. The Mayor will be attending the Mayor's Conference in June at State College, PA. Notification was received from Carol Goodman that the last four hydrants will be painted during the summer.

Citizen's Comments and Concerns: Warren Howeler (Rocket Courier) introduced himself to members of the Council and other attendees.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the May 6, 2019 Regular Meeting were distributed previously and reviewed by Council members. Steve Lewis 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) Mike Brady has received approval from PennDot for a driveway on 706, (2) the new mower for the Cemetery was received on May 16th, the two-year old mower has a bent crank and will be repaired, (3) the flag pole in the Cemetery is broken and will need a bucket truck to repair, (4) a lengthy discussion was held regarding a sluice pipe issue on Marcia Eaton's property that was installed

by the former homeowner. Dale Grover will talk the property owners affected and will come up with a cost if the Borough decides to pursue, (5) a discussion was held regarding the trees in the Cemetery – should they be removed? replaced? or some combination. The issue stems from the fact that there should be road between Section 6 and the other property owned by the Cemetery, (6) Hud Ellis is working on the siding/roof for the salt building, (7) the Boy Scouts (Josh Kilmer) will be notified regarding a project for placing/refurbishing a totem pole near Pen Mart and one in Laceyville owned by Dan Dunfee that can also be refurbished - both will be placed in the Borough Park, (8) Dale will talk to Hud Ellis regarding placing solar lights on the Wyalusing sign near 706.

Foster Correspondence and Report: Jonathan Foster's report and invoice were reviewed by Council members. There has been no response from Charles Howard regarding the letter from Jonathan Foster.

Wyalusing Municipal Authority Liaison Report: Nothing to report

Correspondence: The following correspondence was reviewed by Council members:

- (1) Eastern COG Minutes – May 2, 2019
- (2) Certified Mail – Letter to Charles Howard from Jonathan Foster
- (3) Gulf Credit Card reduction in credit line
- (4) PennDot Liquid Fuels Forms and Report changes
- (5) Notice of State Police Fines and Penalties Deposit - \$208.44
- (6) Letter from Williams Oil re: Vegetative Maintenance
- (7) Letter from Chesapeake regarding Permit Application for Well Drilling
- (8) PSAB Update

New Business:

- (1) A motion to adopt Resolution 2019-1 opposing HR Bill 349 requesting municipalities to have more than one third-party administrator of the UCC was made by Steven Lewis and seconded by Micah Dietz. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (2) A motion to adopt Resolution 2019-2 to seek relief from Requests to seek relief from serial requests and requestors was made by Josh VanDeMark and seconded by Gary Rouse. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (3) A motion to ratify the action taken by Council via email to pay Thompson Pest Control \$25/woodchuck up to a maximum of \$500.00 was made by Josh VanDeMark and seconded by Steven Lewis. The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.
- (4) Discussion regarding the General Code suggestions. Will eliminate Chapter 6 Curfew and Chapter 47 Loitering, will update Chapter 23 Contractors Licenses and Permits to eliminate the \$250 late fee, update Fireworks Ordinance and will decide on Chapter 33 Trees at the next meeting.

- (5) There was a lengthy discussion regarding the streets. Rather than micro-coating as has been done previously, Council requested a 5-year plan be prepared to include all Borough streets that would be milled out and resurfaced during a 5-year period. The initial plan is to include 2nd, 3rd, and School Lane. Dale Grover will coordinate with PennDot to come up with the cost and bid package for this effort as well as a plan for completing the remaining streets and the associated costs. The plan and the bid package will be presented at the next Council meeting in July.

Old Business:

- (1) The Personnel Handbook is still pending.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Submitted by,

Joanne Vago
Secretary/Treasurer