

MT WOLF BOROUGH MINUTES

May 13, 2014

CONVENE

The Mount Wolf Borough Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Pat Poet.

ATTENDANCE

These council members and other officials were present:

Council -- Dan Davis, Don Dierdorff, Les Jordan, Bill Marquis, Dennis Naylor, Ronald Witmer, Pat Poet, Mayor Mo Starner, Secretary Steve Kehler, Attorney Joe Gothie, and Christopher Owen were present.

AGENDA

A Davis/Marquis motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

MINUTES

A Davis/Marquis motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2014 meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A Jordan/Marquis motion was made to approve the 5/13/14 Payment of Bills. The motion was passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Steve Kehler shared some items of interest with the Council members.

VISITORS

There were no visitors.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Christopher Owens reported on the following:

- The Council members need to agree and vote on the amount to apply for the Community Development Block Grant Application.
A Naylor/Jordan motion was made to adopt Resolution 2014-1 for the application of \$30,000.00 for the 2015 - 2017 Community Development Block Grant Application.
- The roads have been surveyed throughout the Borough and there are 32 potholes that need repaired and North 2nd Street needs to be repaved.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

There was a dog fight at 151 S. 4th Street. The owner of the dog that was attacked did not have him on a leash and the dog on that property viciously attacked her dog. She realizes her mistake in not leashing her dog, but she wanted the Borough residents to be aware of how dangerous this animal is. The tenants on this property have put up signs warning there is a dog on the premise and a police report was filed concerning the incident. Council members are concerned because the dog is right next to the park's tennis court and the baseball fields where children could run onto the property to retrieve runaway balls. Joe is planning on bringing attention to this matter.

PARKS & RECREATION

Don Dierdorff reported on the following:

- The mulch was delivered on the 20th of March.
- He received an estimate from Tim Brenner for the grandstand hand rails. A Dierdorff/Marquis motion was made to approve the cost of \$1,058.00 to install hand railing in the grandstand. The motion was passed
- The Northeast Area High School art class will also be painting murals on the walls to the buildings at the Wolves field.

STREETS

Dennis Naylor reported on the following:

- The street sweeping took place on May 6th and 7th of 2014.
- The backhoe repairs are done and will be brought back to the maintenance shed.
- Keith is getting help from the women from the prison. They will be helping with painting the grandstand.

PROPERTY & SERVICES

Ronald Witmer reported that PennWaste was the only refuse company that placed a bid for a contract. It was for a \$9.00 increase every 6 months. A Witmer/Marquis motion was made to approve a 3 year contract with PennWaste from August 1, 2014 to July 21, 2017. This does include the twice a week garbage pick-up in the summer season. The motion was passed unanimously.

INSURANCE

Bill Marquis reported Worker's Compensation Insurance has been paid for the renewal year and he is shopping around for the Commercial renewal.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Dan Davis reported that Northeastern Regional Police has a current officer who will take the job at Northeastern Area High School. The Police Board will be holding interviews for a new incoming officer. The position is being advertised as a 5 year temporary position.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

There was no report.

BUDGET & FINANCE

There was no report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Starner reported on the following:

- Billet Amusements are willing to do the Carnival on Walnut Street by the Outfield.
- She performed 2 weddings in the past month.
- The VFW is conducting the Memorial Day Parade. A Marquis/Naylor motion was made to approve the street closings at 10:00 a.m. for North Main Street from Walnut Street to Maple Street to the Mt. Wolf Community Park. The motion was passed unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- The maintenance building has a salt spreader that Manchester Borough is interested in purchasing. Attorney Joe Gothie will double check that it will be okay to sell the piece of equipment.
- Otterbein Methodist Church has 3 handicap parking spots on Center Street. Pat would like to see when and if they were approved and possibly remove one since it is very hard to see at the stop sign on N. Main Street.
- Mount Wolf Community Church is having their annual VBS Block Party. A Witmer/Jordan motion was made to close Maple Street from Lion Alley to 6th Street on July 26, 2014 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. They would also like Borough Maintenance to drop off street closure signs as they have requested in the past years. The motion was passed unanimously.

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OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- The Borough will be sending out letters to homeowners whose sidewalks need repaired. They will have 2 years to do the repairs. The first year the cost of the permit will be waived.

ADJOURN

A Marquis/Davis motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. The motion was passed unanimously.

Recording Secretary, Mandy L. Davis