

MT WOLF BOROUGH MINUTES
November 14, 2017

CONVENE

The Mount Wolf Borough Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, beginning at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Bill Marquis.

ATTENDANCE

The following council members and other officials were present:

Council -- Mike Amsler, Dan Davis, Les Jordan, Bill Marquis, Dave Mickley, Dennis Naylor, Pat Poet, Mayor Mo Starner, Zoning Officer Sande Cunningham, Engineer Chris Owens, and Attorney Devon Myers.

VISITORS IN ATTENDANCE

John Kotmeyer, Chairman of the Ambulance Board and Jordan Meersand, Director of Operations at Georgia Pacific.

AGENDA/MINUTES

An Amsler/Mickley motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

A Poet/Amsler motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was passed unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Chris Owens reported on the following:

Sidewalk Permits - Penn Dot extended the Sidewalk Permits for one more year.

Dirt, Gravel & Low Volume Road Program - The State Conservation Commission is giving grants to municipalities to improve unpaved roads which will help clean up water run-off into streams.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Devon Myers reported on the following:

Right to Know Request - There was a question on what needed to be given for a Right to Know Request. Devon advised that we provide what we have on file concerning the request.

Tax Ordinance - Steve will draw up the Tax Ordinance for 2018.

2018 Reorganization Meeting - The Borough meeting will be on January 2nd, the first Tuesday of 2018, for the Reorganization Meeting. Mayor Mo will contact the Magistrate to attend the meeting so new

Council Members can be sworn in. Attorney Meyers will not be at the meeting so she will ask someone to cover for her.

Appointments - A Zoning Hearing Board will need to be appointed. Council will also need to designate their terms. Council will need to appoint Auditors and a Planning Commission Board. The Planning Commission Board can have no more than three Council persons on the Board.

Rental Property Ordinance - To adopt a new Rental Property Ordinance, there will need to be a Building Appeals Board Committee of three and also Adopt a Property Maintenance Code.

Mini Casino - A new law has passed allowing municipalities to have Mini Casinos. Devon advised if Borough Council members do not want a casino in Mount Wolf in the future to have a Resolution drawn up stating this. A Jordan/Naylor motion was made to approve Resolution 2017-2 made stating they do not want a casino in Mount Wolf Borough. The motion was passed 5 to 1 with Pat Poet opposing the motion.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Sande provided Council with the permit log for the month.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A Naylor/Amsler motion was made to approve the payment of bills #3492-#3518 in the amount of \$29,614.27. The motion was passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

STREETS

Denny reported on the following:

Georgia Pacific - Jordan Meersand, Director of Operations at Georgia Pacific attended the meeting to request a light to be placed at the railroad on Walnut Street. He also asked if the Borough would be willing to paint a crosswalk so employees could use it to walk from the parking lot to the Georgia Pacific building. Council said they will have Maintenance paint the crosswalk, but would not be able to have a light installed at the railroad because of the cost.

North 4th Street - The gas company will be doing work on N. 4th Street.

Sink Hole - The sink hole on 3rd Street has been repaired.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

No report.

PARKS & RECREATION

Mike Amsler reported on the following:

Surveillance Cameras - He would like Council to consider changing the surveillance system at the park to something that the police can have access to at any time without having to rely on a council member to retrieve the video footage for them. There would be an initial cost and a monthly fee to have this new system. The existing cameras could be brought down to the Borough office to have surveillance there. Dan said he would talk to Chief to see if this would be helpful to the officers before council makes the decision and bring the information to next month's meeting .

BUDGET & FINANCE

An Amsler/Davis motion was made to approve the payment of bills #3579-#3623 for the amount of \$53,939.87. The motion was passed unanimously.

A Jordan/Davis motion was made to approve the reviewed budget with the immediate purchase of SAGE Premium Account System and Costar Conversion for the amount of \$1,119.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

PROPERTIES & SERVICES/INSURANCE

Dave Mickley reported on the following:

Cinder Shed Repair - A Jordan/Amsler motion was made to approve Neal Conley Carpentry and Remodeling to repair the Cinder Shed for the amount of \$2,250.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

Security Cage for A/C Unit - An Amsler/Poet motion was made to authorize Dave to order a Security Cage up to \$600.00 to put around the A/C Unit at the Borough Office. The motion was passed unanimously.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Dan Davis reported on the following:

Train Accident - The stop sign on Chestnut Street needs replaced from the train accident. Council should file with the insurance company before sending a bill to the person who is responsible for the accident.

Arbitration Award - The Police Board came to a budget agreement of three scenarios. The first for \$174,985.21 if they don't hire a new officer, the second for \$183,792.44 if they hire a new officer on January 1st, the third for \$189,811.67 if they hire two new officers, one in January and one in July.

EMS Report - John Kotmeyer, the Chairman of the Ambulance Board attended the meeting to explain how EMS is changing from BLS to ALS (Advance Life Support). They are asking each of the municipalities to chip in a donation of \$7,200.00 to help pay off the Cardiac Monitor which is requirement to become ALS. If it is paid off, there will be no added interest and they will be debt free. They also asked that the Borough would have an Ordinance drawn up stating that they be their BLS/ALS service provider.

PERSONNEL

Keith is back to work and doing well. He has no restrictions.

COMMUNICATIONS

Steve Kehler reported on the following:

- Annual invoice for PA Association of Boroughs which he will renew for one subscription.
- Workman's Compensation named for New Cumberland River Rescue.
- Talen Energy will no longer allow public access on their property effective November 1, 2017.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

General Code - Pat reported that the ordinance for putting up a fence needed amended before the final codification. She wanted to inform Council and ask their thoughts before asking General Code to remove that from the Ordinance. Council was in agreement about amending the specs for putting up a fence.

ADJOURN

At 9:49 P.M. an Amsler/Poet motion was made to adjourn. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mandy Davis, Recording Secretary