

MINUTES
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN BOROUGH

DATE: August 5th, 2020

TIME: 6:30 pm

ATTENDING: President Kurt Montz, Members Roeder, Gordon and Bedway. Also attending were Mayor Devlin, Administrator Graver, JCP Whittemore, Solicitor Semanchick and Secretary Tinari. Vice President Jerry Bowman, Member Kline and Williams absent.

CALL TO ORDER: President Montz call the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Mary Achenbach, 119 Centre Avenue, informed council that 130 Centre Avenue always puts their garbage out on a Sunday Morning. She also stated that there is still speeding on Rt. 61 even after the speed limit signs were installed along Centre Avenue. She also informed Code Enforcement Officer Michael Paulin regarding 115 Centre Avenue still having a dumpster in the back yard.

Ruth Tucci, 211 Fidler Avenue, informed council about 199 Dock Street with the pile up of boxes on the front porch of the property. She also informed council about high weeds at 119 Parkway; Code Enforcement Officer Mike Paulin stated he will stop by the property. She also stated that there is still trash being left at the Union Cemetery.

AMINISTRATION: On motion of Roeder/Gordon Council approved to award Ronnie C. Folk Paving in the amount of \$7,360.00 for a combined project for the paving of the two parking lots (M&T Bank and the Railroad Station). Administrator Graver stated there were 4 or 5 contractors that showed up to the pre-bid site meeting and they had the option to do a separate bid for each parking lot or a bid for a combined project. The other company was Schuylkill Paving Inc. bid an amount of \$15,040.00 for a combined project.

On motion of Gordon/Bedway Council approved the application for payment for the annual liquid fuels street paving project, on condition that PennDot Liquid Fuels engineer John Davis reviews and approves.

On motion of Gordon/Roeder approved the CDBG- CV CARES ACT Resolution in the amount of \$64,565.00. The money can be used towards Rent and Utilities assistance, and will be income qualified as other CDBG projects require.

Council talked about Commercial use of the compost/recycling center. They recommended having a Property Committee Meeting to discuss a decision for commercial use as well as letting Cressona and/or North Manheim Residents to have access to the facility.

On motion of Bedway/Roeder Council approved to allow Administrator Graver increase the salary for Borough Secretary.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Mary Achenbach also stated that trucks are making a left hand turn from Centre Avenue onto Dock Street when the turn sign is lit not allowing a left hand turn.

Ruth Tucci also questioned where the fountain at Stoyer's Dam is. Administrator Graver stated the fountain is out for repairs.

OTHER BUSINESS: Member Roeder thanked Mayor Devlin for his help with the starting phases for the Amphitheater. Member Roeder also stated that the Island Committee will be canceling Island Fest this year and that they will be holding night at the Races on August 15th. Member Roeder also thanked Borough Secretary for getting all the needed ordinances to General Code, and they will be presenting council with a proposal in the near future.

Mayor Devlin stated that the Make-A-Wish softball tournament was held last weekend on the Island and that it was a good successful event.

President Montz welcomed our new JCP Josh Whittemore to Council. President Montz asked if the Highway committee can get together to send a letter to PennDOT regarding Dock & Main Street, as well as the Tar & Chip done on Main Street by the High School.

JCP Whittemore informed council about the schools plan for back to school. The school will split grades 6-12 by last names into two groups to do 2 days for each group for in school learning and 1 day for both groups for online. K-5 will be going all day in school learning.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:01pm on motion of Roeder/Gordon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kaitlyn Tinari
Borough Secretary

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DATE: August 19, 2020

TIME: 6:30 pm

PLACE: Island Park Pavilion, Schuylkill Haven

ATTENDING: President Kurt Montz, VP Jerry Bowman, Members Gordon, Bedway and Roeder. Also present were Mayor Devlin, JCP Whittemore, Administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchick, and Secretary Tinari. Members William and Kline were absent due to working.

CALL TO ORDER: President Montz called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the pledge of allegiance followed by a prayer.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

MINUTES: On motion of Roeder/Gordon the minutes from July 15th meeting were approved.

TAX COLLECTOR: The Tax Collector's report in the amount of \$12,204 was approved on motion of Bowman/Gordon.

TREASURER'S RPT: Gloria Ebling, Treasurer, presented Council with the July 2020 Treasurers' report. On motion of Bowman/Roeder Council approved this report.

BILLS: The following bills were approved for payment on motion of Roeder/Gordon: General \$336,751.56; Electric \$489,500.43; Water \$145,331.65; Sewer \$135,979.95 for a total of \$1,107,563.59

CORRESPONDENCE: On motion of Roeder/Bowman Council approved a request from Council of Churches re: CROP walk to be held on October 4th

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Gordon/Roeder Council approved the July transfers. Council Vice President Bowman stated that SCCOG funds are low.

On motion of Roeder/Bowman Council approved the Borough's contribution with the Welcome Wagon Program which consists of 6 months of utilities paid for by the Borough.

Council was presented with a codification proposal with much discussion council decided to table this decision till next meeting to have someone from General Code come to the meeting to answer more questions.

Recreation Director Ryan Wehr recognized Ty Murray for his Eagle Scout project at the Willow Street Playground.

Council decided to hold both September meetings on September 2nd and September 16th at the Island.

OLD BUSINESS: Revenue Generating Committee met to discuss allowing outside residents to use the compost card. They decided the compost gate did not operate long enough to come to a decision. Gordon decided to table a decision till there is more feedback.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OTHER BUSINESS: Council member Roeder stated that Night at the Races was a great success.

Vice President Bowman stated that trees at Bubeck Park had died and plans on replacing it.

JCP Whittemore stated that school starts August 31st

EXECUTIVE SESSION: An executive session was held before the regularly scheduled council meeting at 6:00pm and ended at 6:15pm regarding personnel.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:57pm on motion of Roeder/Gordon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kaitlyn Tinari
Borough Secretary