

WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

BRIAN CLEMENTS	STEVE PRICE
EDWARD EVANS, MAYOR	JIM PIERCE
ROBERT GORDON	JIM SWARTZ
DAVE LATINO	

ALSO, PRESENT:

MICHAEL GOMBAR, JR., SOLICITOR
GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES
MICHAEL PALM, BOROUGH EMPLOYEE
DEBRA A. PIERCE, SECRETARY
JEFF FUTCHKO, WBRPD
JARED RENSHAW, WESTERN BERK FIRE

ABSENT:

ROBERT FISCHER
KEN FULMER, GVC

S. Price called the Wernersville Borough Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by J. Swartz to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2018 Council Meeting. Motion seconded by D. Latino and carried unanimously.

Visitors:

Margaret Cochran, 28 W. Wilson Ave.
Leigh-Anne Yacovelli, Wernersville Public Library, Director
Chris Stoy, 307 Edison St.

28 W. Wilson Ave.: Mrs. Cochran discussed continuing stormwater issues at her property during rain events. The Solicitor indicated that the Agreement was given to her to allow connection of the pipe running from her yard into the Borough's catch basin at the Pennypacker property (55 W. Gaul St). She indicated that her lawyer is reviewing the Agreement.

307 Edison Street: Christopher Stoy is selling his house and he asked Council if his property could be exempt from putting in sidewalk. Mr. Stoy stated that there is a telephone right of way on his property. Council directed our Solicitor to look into this and report back at the December meeting.

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Police Report: Written Report Submitted. 166 Calls for the month of October.

Fire Report: Written Report Submitted. 74 Calls for the month of October. 6 calls were in the Borough.

Western Berks Ambulance: No Report Submitted.

Zoning and Building Enforcement Report: Written report was submitted. 4 Permits were issued. 11 Property Maintenance Issues and 3 Zoning issues were handled in October.

Trinity Lutheran Church: Kraft Code Services looked at the property and recommended allowing the fence in the right-of-way area as long as the fence is not located within 5 feet of the existing roadway. Motion made by J. Pierce to sign the Release and Indemnification Agreement regarding installing a fence at 130 S. Walnut St. not located closer than five (5) feet to the existing roadway of Hill Road. B. Clements seconded and carried unanimously.

105 W. Penn Ave: Angelo Giannotti asked Council for a waiver from installing sidewalk along N. Walnut Street. Kraft Code Services looked at the property and found that there would be no issue regarding the installation of the sidewalk. Council decided unanimously that NO WAIVER would be granted.

Engineer Report: None.

Solicitor's Report: Written report was submitted.

28 W. Wilson Ave. Motion made by B. Clements to authorize the President and Secretary of Council to sign the Idemnification Agreement. J. Swartz seconded and carried unanimously.

95 Werner Street: The owner of this property passed away and we have received complaints that the property is not being maintained for overgrown grass and weeds. Motion made by J. Swartz to have the Borough Highway Department take care of this issue with all Borough costs to be forwarded to the Solicitor for the filing of a municipal lien against the property. J. Pierce seconded and carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report: E. Evans reported that the Halloween Parade went very well.

Council's Report:

B. Clements reported that we have received the new loader.

Old Business:

New Business: Council agreed to keep the first Wednesday of the month as the regular meeting night for 2019 except for July's meeting which will be held on July 10, 2019 due to the holiday.

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Monthly Bills: Motion made by J. Swartz to approve the bill list and bills previously paid to avoid penalty. D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

Balance Sheet: Motion made by D. Latino to accept the Balance Sheet. B. Clements seconded and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 5, 2018

Motion by R. Gordon to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. J. Pierce seconded and carried unanimously.

Executive Session: An Executive Session was held to discuss pending and potential litigation and real estate issues. No action taken.

Attest:

Borough Secretary