WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EDWARD EVANS
STEPHEN PRICE
JAMES SWARTZ
JIM PIERCE

BRIAN CLEMENTS
DAVE LATINO
ROBERT FISCHER
ROBERT GORDON

ALSO, PRESENT:

JOHN BUCOLO, SOLICITOR
DEBBIE PIERCE, SECRETARY/TREASURER
GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES
MICHAEL PALM, BOROUGH EMPLOYEE
WILLIAM SCHLICHTER, CHIEF WBRPD
KEN FULMER, GVC
JARED RENTCHLER, WBFD

ABSENT:

NONE

VISITORS:

Rich Regetta, Resident Christine Santoro, Wernersville Library Anthony Tucci, Western Berks Ambulance

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

Motion made by J. Swartz to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2016 meeting. D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

Western Berks Fire Company:

A written report was submitted.

Western Berks Ambulance:

None.

Engineer Report:

2016 Street Work: Motion made by B. Clements to approve to pay Application #1 in the amount of \$64,514.22 to H & K Group (Landis C. Deck & Sons) for the Street Work. This will leave a balance of \$982.45 (1.5% Retainage). R. Fischer seconded and S. Price Abstained.

Zoning and Building Enforcement Report:

A written report was submitted.

Police Chief Report:

A written report was submitted.

Stitzer Ave.: The Chief reported that Stitzer Avenue will be closed on November 7th thru November 10th for a new storm drain that is being installed by PennDot which runs across Penn Ave.

Solicitor's Report:

143 Beckley Street: Citations were issued to Joe Miller regarding his property to be cleaned up. A Hearing is scheduled for November 14, 2016 at MDJ Ann Young at 1:00pm. Progress has been made since the citation was issued. Council wants the Hearing to proceed since the Borough has been dealing with the issues for a very long time.

135 W. Penn Ave: Multiple citations have been filed for this property, but never served because we cannot locate Richard Laudenslager, owner of 135 W. Penn Ave. Motion made by R. Gordon to authorize the Solicitor to engage a skip-trace or investigator to "find" the Defendant to answer for the outstanding warrants on his failure to appear. J. Pierce seconded and carried unanimously.

Joint Zoning Ordinance to Amend Zoning Map LHT: Motion made by J. Swartz to adopt Ordinace to amend the Lower Heidelberg Zoning Map to rezone 399 Gaul Road from General Industrial to Agricultural Preservation. R. Fischer seconded.

Joint Zoning Ordinance to Amend adding "Health Fitness Center" SHT: Motion made by R. Fischer to adopt Ordinance adding "Health Fitness Center" to the list of permitted uses in the I-2 General Industrial Zoning District and amend the off-street parking requirements related thereto in South Heidelberg Township ONLY. J. Pierce seconded. S. Price commented that we already have the YMCA Facility in the Township and we do not need another Fitness Center.

Council's Oral Report:

Website: B. Clements reported that our new Website and Facebook Page are up and running.

Unfinished Business:

2017 Budget: We will have a budget workshop on Friday, November 18, 2016 at 8 am.

New Business:

None.