

**WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>STEPHEN PRICE</b>	<b>JIM SWARTZ</b>
<b>BRIAN CLEMENTS</b>	<b>ROBERT GORDON</b>
<b>JIM PIERCE</b>	<b>DAVE LATINO</b>
<b>EDWARD EVANS</b>	

**ALSO, PRESENT:**

**GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES**  
**KEN FULMER, GVC**  
**MICHAEL PALM, BOROUGH EMPLOYEE**  
**DEBBIE PIERCE, SECRETARY**  
**WILLIAM SCHLICHTER, WBRPD**

**ABSENT:**

**ROBERT FISCHER**  
**JARED RENSHAW, WESTERN BERKS FIRE**  
**WESTERN BERKS AMBULANCE**

**VISITORS:**

John & Lisa Bulliner, potential buyers of 106 Mountain Blvd.  
Earl Felty  
Janet Heilman, Principal, Conrad Weiser East Elementary  
William T. Carl, Region 2 CW School Board  
Maggie Cochran  
Steve Bensinger, West Ridge Suites  
Fred Grande, West Ridge Suites  
Kirk Barnett, West Ridge Suites  
Jack Keener

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 April 4, 2018. Motion seconded by B. Clements and carried unanimously.

**106 Mountain Blvd:** Motion made by R. Gordon to waive the late fees for trash for 106 Mountain Blvd. of \$217.80. J. Swartz seconded and carried unanimously.

**28 W. Wilson Ave:** Margaret Cochran asked Council, when will we be checking out the pipe in her backyard. Council advised her that we are working with the Engineer on this and it should be within the next few weeks.

**West Ridge Suites – Preliminary Plan:** The developer, Grande Land, LP, was present to review the proposed 93 unit apartment project along Furnace Road. At the recommendation of the Borough Planning Commission, the developer was in attendance to get clarification from Council regarding its desire for the installation of the Furnace Road and Lincoln Road connection through the property. The consensus of Council was that the public road should be installed as part of the proposed project. The developer will revise the Preliminary Plan and attend the June Council meeting to review the revised Plan showing the road.

**23 W. Penn Avenue (Jack Keener):** Mr. Keener has a potential buyer for the property and they want to confirm the potential uses for the property. Council directed Mr. Keener to work with the Solicitor on his request.

**Police Report:** Written Report Submitted. 142 Calls for the month of April. Chief Schlichter is looking into having parking permitted on only 1 side of E. Washington Street from Stitzer Ave. to Reber St.

**Fire Report:** Written Report Submitted. 70 Calls, with 10 being in the Borough were reported for the Month of April.

**Western Berks Ambulance:** No Report.

**Engineer Report:**

**2018 Street Work:** Motion by D. Latino to receive the bids for street work and to accept the bid from Schlouch Inc. in the amount of \$67,597.35 and authorize GVC to issue the Notice of Intent to Award, conditioned upon the review and approval of the Engineer and the Solicitor of all bid documents. J. Swartz seconded and carried unanimously.

**Zoning and Building Enforcement Report:**

A written report was submitted. 14 Permits issued for the month of May. 18 Property Maintenance Issues and 4 Zoning issues.

**127 W. Gaul St.:** Motion made by B. Clements to have Kraft Code Services submit the paperwork to the County of Berks Blight Program for 127 W. Gaul St. The property is owned by Craig Miller who apparently has abandoned the property and is in disrepair. R. Gordon seconded and carried unanimously.

**Solicitor's Report:**

**Snow Removal Ordinance:** Motion made by J. Pierce to advertise the revised proposed Snow Removal Ordinance. D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

**Non-Solicitation/Transient Retail Business Ordinance:** Motion made by J. Pierce to advertise the revised proposed Non-Solicitation/Transient Retail Business Ordinance. D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

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**Mayor's Report:**

E. Evans reported that many residents are placing furniture and large trash items curbside and not scheduling a bulk pick up with the trash company.

**Council's Report:**

J. Swartz reported that UGI has put a gas meter in the front of a property located at 38 W. Penn Ave. He feels this is a safety issue because it is along the sidewalk and a wheelchair would not be able to fit. Kraft Code Services will check into this.

**Unfinished Business:**

**91 South Reber Street:** Motion made by J. Pierce that sidewalk MUST be installed by August 1, 2018. R. Gordon seconded and carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

**2017 Financial Audit:** Audit by Herbein + Co., Inc. was completed and submitted. There were no questions or comments from Council after review. No action needed.

**Recycling Ordinance:** Motion made by J. Pierce to adopt the revised Recycling Ordinance. D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, June 6, 2018, 7:00 pm.

**Monthly Bills:** Motion made by J. Swartz to approve 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. J. Swartz seconded and carried unanimously.

**Executive Session:** Council entered Executive Session from 7:50 pm to 8:00 pm. Action was taken regarding the Western Berks Police Charter.

Motion made by J. Swartz to approve 2 changes to the Police Charter. R. Gordon seconded and carried unanimously. Solicitor will work with the Commission and Robesonia to memorialize the changes in an official document for the Borough's signature at a future meeting.

Motion by D. Latino to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. B. Clements seconded and carried unanimously.

Attest:

Borough Secretary