

**WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
December 2, 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**KEEGAN WORLEY, MAYOR  
STEPHEN PRICE, PRESIDENT  
JIM SWARTZ, VICE PRESIDENT  
LINDA DAPCIC-ANGST  
DAVID LATINO  
LINDA PALM  
JIM PIERCE**

**ALSO, PRESENT:**

**MICHAEL GOMBAR, JR., SOLICITOR  
DEBRA A. PIERCE, SECRETARY  
MICHAEL PALM, BOROUGH EMPLOYEE  
CHIEF LEON GRIM, SOUTH HEIDELBERG POLICE DEPT.  
GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES  
JARED RENSHAW, WESTERN BERKS FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**ABSENT:**

**ROBERT GORDON  
KEN FULMER, GVC**

**NOTE: THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM DUE TO THE COVID19 PANDEMIC  
AND PRIOR NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC VIA READING EAGLE AND  
ONLINE SOURCES PURSUANT TO ACT 15 OF 2020.**

S. Price called the Wernersville Borough Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Motion made by J. Swartz to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2020 Council Meeting.  
D. Latino seconded and carried unanimously.

**Visitors:**

Brad Weisman, Keller Williams (85 E Gaul St)

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**85 E Gaul St:** Motion made by J. Pierce to allow the new owners to install the sidewalk ten feet back from the tree line, to avoid having to remove the tree. Seconded by L. Palm and carried unanimously.

**Wernersville Public Library:** Written Report Submitted.

**Police Report:** Written Report Submitted. 323 calls for the Month of November. 72 calls were in the Borough. Chief Grim reported to Council that they found a 7 ½ foot Boa Constrictor on South Church Rd.

**Fire Report:** Written Report Submitted. 45 Calls for the month of November. 7 calls were in the Borough.

**Western Berks Ambulance:** Written report submitted.

**Zoning and Building Enforcement Report:** Written reports were submitted for November. 4 Permits were issued. 5 Property Maintenance Issues and 6 Zoning Issues for the month of November.

Glenn Kraft reported that he had to deal with Mr. Dickman at 157 Werner regarding 149 Werner and concerns about Lead based paint. A police officer took a sample of the paint to have it tested.

**Engineer Report:**

None

**Mayor's Report:**

Keegan addressed that we still need to fill the vacancy on the Wernersville Municipal Authority

**Council's Report:**

Linda Dapcic-Angst asked Council for \$2500 to be budgeted for Feral cat control. She would like the Borough to enter into an agreement with the Animal Rescue League. The cost for this agreement is 50 cents per resident. The Borough has 2494 residents. Total cost would be \$1247. The extra money would be for cages, food and litter. Motion made by D. Latino to budget \$1500 for the feral cats but we will not enter into an agreement with the Animal Rescue League. The Borough will pay on a per cat basis. Seconded by L. Dapcic-Angst and motion carried by a 4-2 vote. Opposed by L. Palm and J Swartz.

**Solicitor's Report:** Written report was submitted.

**DEP Grant and Loader:** Shillington Borough is coming to look at purchasing the Loader. Mike Palm presented Council with quotes for new Equipment. Council decided not to make a decision until after Shillington looks at the Loader.

**South Heidelberg Township Yard Waste Facility Agreement:** South Heid. presented a new Agreement for 2021 with billing based on per capita rate for all 3 municipalities. Council agreed to have Mike Gombar check into getting more information about what our percentage of contribution would be since we are no longer taking leaves there and defer action to Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**West Ridge Suites:** Update provided on the overturning of the ZHB approval by Judge Lillis. We are still awaiting word from developer on whether or not they will continue with proposed development. No new Plans have been submitted as of December 2, 2020.

**Caron:** Motion made by J. Pierce to authorize the Solicitor to join in on the appeal with Conrad Weiser School District, to appeal Caron's tax-exempt status for the 2 properties owned by Caron on Werner Street. Seconded by D. Latino. Carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

**Substitute School Crossing Guard:** Motion made by J. Pierce to hire Janis Lybarger, 177 Sianna Circle Wernersville as a substitute crossing Guard at a rate of \$15 per hour. L. Palm seconded and carried unanimously.

**Crack Sealing:** Motion by J. Pierce to pay invoice #1 of 2 in the amount of \$9,065 from the Liquid Fuels Fund to Ronnie C Folk Paving and Invoice #2 for \$10,165. Invoice #2 will be paid once work is completed. Seconded by D. Latino and carried unanimously.

**2021 Budget:** Motion made by L. Palm to advertise the proposed 2021 budget. Seconded by J. Swartz and carried unanimously.

**Special Meeting:** Motion made by J. Pierce to have a special meeting to adopt the final 2021 Budget and any other business that should come before the Board on December 23, 2020 at 8am via ZOOM. Seconded by J. Swartz and carried unanimously.  
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**Playground:** We need to purchase and install matting and mulch at the tot lot to complete installation of new playground equipment. Mike Palm will get quotes for this.

**Roof at Borough Garage and Pole Building:** Roofs at the garage and pole building are leaking. Mike Palm will get quotes.

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

**Balance Sheet:** Motion made by J. Swartz to accept the Balance Sheet. D. Latino seconded and carried. J. Pierce and L. Palm abstained.

**Next Council Meeting:** Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7pm

Motion by L. Dapcic-Angst to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm. J. Pierce seconded and carried unanimously.

Attest:

Borough Secretary