

**WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
November 2, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

**DAVID LATINO, PRESIDENT
JIM SWARTZ, VICE PRESIDENT
ROB GORDON
LINDA DAPCIC-ANGST
JIM PIERCE
LINDA PALM**

ALSO PRESENT:

**MAYOR, MELISSA DEAN
MICHAEL GOMBAR, SOLICITOR
DEBRA PIERCE, SECRETARY
JENNIFER VELEZ, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
CHIEF LEON GRIM, SOUTH HEIDELBERG POLICE DEPT.
JARED RENSHAW, WESTERN BERKS FIRE DEPARTMENT
KEN FULMER, GVC
GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES
DANIEL GRIFFE, ROADMASTER**

ABSENT:

ELIZABETH MERIN

D. Latino called the Wernersville Borough Council Meeting to order at 7 pm.

Motion made by J. Pierce to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2022 Council Meeting.
J. Swartz seconded and carried unanimously.

Visitors:

Donald Spitler, Spitler's Towing
Tyler Wray, Spitler's Towing & 218 N Bucks St.

Donald Spitler & Tyler Wray: Mr. Spitler and Mr. Wray spoke to Council about Borough Ordinance 623, which prohibits Commercial Vehicles from parking on Borough Streets for longer than 24 hours at a time. Mr. Wray works for Spitler's Garage on a part time/as needed basis and parks his truck on Bucks Street. Due to the need for quick response time in emergencies since the company is contracted with South Heidelberg Twp. Police Department, Mr. Spitler and Mr. Wray asked Council for an exception to the Commercial Vehicle Ordinance. Motion made by R. Gordon to have M. Gombar to prepare an amendment to the Ordinance for consideration at next month's meeting. Motion seconded by L. Palm and carried unanimously.

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Police Report: Written Report Submitted. 351 calls for the Month of October. 88 calls were in the Borough.

Fire Report: Written Report Submitted. 90 Calls for the month of October. 9 calls were in the Borough.

Western Berks Ambulance: Written report submitted. 51 calls for the month of October. 12 calls for Phoebe Berks.

Wernersville Public Library: Written report submitted.

Engineer Report: Written report submitted.

West Ridge Suites: No further update.

Bachman Roofing Land Development: Paving is done. The wearing course will be placed in the Spring.

Stone Ridge Development: No change in status.

Omega Builders 36 Mountain Blvd: Received revised stormwater management report and drawings on October 27, 2022. We will review the submission.

MS4 Waiver Process: Awaiting a response.

Penn Ave. Crosswalks: Sent memo to Council on October 20, 2022 with Preliminary cost estimates. Council should consider which crosswalks they would like to add and include this in the 2023 budget. K. Fulmer noted that these crosswalks would need to be repainted and maintained every year.

Beckley St and Lincoln Dr. Storm Sewers: Sent memo and budget estimates from A.H. Moyer on October 17, 2022. Council should consider if they would like to add and include this in the 2023 budget. K. Fulmer told Council that the Borough would need a permit for the storm sewer repair and for a detour when repairs are going to be made.

Zoning and Building Enforcement Report: Written report submitted.

NextGen 911 Project: Motion made by L. Palm to grant approval for Kraft Code Services to release information to JMT Technology Group. This Group is working for the County of Berks to update their 911 System. Motion seconded by J. Pierce and carried unanimously.

Public Works: Written report submitted.

Dan Griffe spoke to Council about the leaf drop off location and the challenges of dropping the leaves there. Council told him to drop the leaves off at old Furnace Rd if necessary and move them at a later time.

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Mayor's Report: Written report submitted

Proclamation: The Mayor Proclaimed Nov. 4 to Nov. 11, 2022 as Veterans Appreciation Days in the Borough of Wernersville.

The Mayor also told Council that there will be a tree lighting on December 3rd from 4-6pm between CE Pontz and C2C Design.

Council's Report:

Nothing to report.

Solicitor's Report:

West Ridge Suites: Motion made by J. Pierce to approve a 150-day extension of time for review of West Ridge Suites pending Final Plan. Motion failed for lack of a second. Motion made by R. Gordon to deny the West Ridge Suites pending Final Plan for failure to timely comply with all outstanding items referenced in the review letters from the Borough Engineers. Motion seconded by L. Palm and carried with a 4 to 2 vote. Opposed by J. Pierce and L. Dapcic-Angst.

Old Business:

2023 Budget: working on the 2023 Budget. Will be sending out rough draft next week for discussion.

New Business:

Substitute Crossing Guard: Motion made by J. Pierce to hire Scotti Arthur, 559 Christopher Dr. Wernersville, PA as a substitute crossing guard at the rate of \$15.00 per hour effective November 9, 2022. Motion seconded by J. Swartz and carried unanimously.

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

Balance Sheet: Motion made by R. Gordon to accept the Balance Sheet. J. Swartz seconded and carried. J. Pierce abstained.

Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at 7pm.

Executive Session held to discuss personnel matters. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Attest:

Borough Secretary