

THE MOUNT WOLF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 12, 2023

The Mount Wolf Borough Council conducted a meeting on Tuesday December 12, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President Darryl Main @ 7:04pm.

ATTENDANCE:

The following Council Members were present: Todd Hess, Josh Parish, President Darryl Main, Vice President Dennis Naylor, Dan Schleig, Michael Barlett and Brian McKenna

Attorney: Devon Myers, Treasurer: Jennifer Reiner, Secretary: Bonnie Bentzel

ABSENT:

Engineer: Chris Owens, Mayor Maureen Starner

AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by: Dan Schleig and seconded by Todd Hess to approve minutes for November 14th 2023 and November 28th, 2023. A motion was made by Michael Barlett and seconded Brian McKenna to approve agenda. Both motions were passed unanimously.

VISITORS:

Pat Poet, Resident

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Pat Poet stated that she looked into it and if we want to cancel a meeting, you do not have to advertise it. She stated she looked into other townships and boroughs and they do not advertise it. The other boroughs/townships post it on the borough/township office door or on Facebook.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Devon stated that she spoke with Chris Owens regarding the MS4 reported violation with 142 Maple Street. Devon stated that Chris needs to report this violation to the DEP that the borough did take action on this report. Devon stated that we need to send an enforcement letter to 142 Maple Street. Todd Hess stated that he has witnessed that they are still continuing with the violation. A motion was made by: Dennis Naylor and seconded by Todd Hess to send the enforcement letter to 142 Maple Street regarding the violation with MS4. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Dan Schleig and Michael Barlett to approve Resolution 2023-11 establishing a fee schedule for charges established and collected by the borough. The motion was passed unanimously.

Devon asked if there is any update on the structure at 5 Center Street. The Council Members stated that they have not heard anything regarding property. Devon asked if she should send an enforcement letter to the church regarding the property. A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded by Michael Barlett to send the enforcement letter to the church regarding the property at 5 Center Street. The motion did not pass unanimously. 1 opposed vote.

A motion was made by: Michael Barlett and seconded by Todd Hess to advertise the budget for 2024. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Michael Barlett and seconded Dan Schleig to approve Resolution 2023-12 Real Estate and Fire Protection Tax for 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded Todd Hess to approve and advertise the 2024 meeting dates and to include Reorganization Meeting on January 2, 2024. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dennis Naylor and seconded Josh Parish for Resolution 2023-13 to appoint Emergency Management Coordinator, Michael Fisher, pursuant to Emergency Management Agreement. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded Todd Hess for Rental Property Inspection Agreement with Barry Isett and Company to be effective the date the agreement is signed to end of the year. The motion was passed unanimously. Devon stated the property owner will need to schedule the inspection. The Borough will get a list of all rental properties in the Borough limits. Devon stated that we should have everything written in detail on when the inspections need to be completed by. Devon recommended that we make sure that their insurance is up to date for zoning officer and Rental Inspector.

A motion was made by: Michael Barlett and seconded Brian McKenna to authorize Devon to examine and research Property Maintenance Ordinance regarding specific topics of Sidewalk/Curb and property maintenance. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded Michael Barlett to enforce the Borough Ordinance Compliance Agreement with Columbia Gas and pursuant to agreement regarding extending future enforcement of Street Opening Permit and rehabilitation of streets and paving. The Council agreed that all the Solicitor's fee regarding this issue will be paid by Columbia Gas. The Borough did try to contact Columbia Gas with no response from them. This is why the Solicitor was involved in this matter. The motion was passed unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Report was sent and forwarded to Jay King Assessment Appraisal Supervisor for York County.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Payment of Bills ~ Report of Finances ~ Receipt of Payments

A motion was made by: Michael Barlett and seconded Dan Schleig to pay the bills.

The motion was passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report

STREET REPORT:

Leaf collections has been completed and with no issues. There was a resident on Walnut Street that raked leaves to the curb after the leaf collection was over. The resident will need to remove the leaves from the street. The alternator went out on the backhoe. It may need a new alternator or a re-built one. Plaster came down and looked at the backhoe and they were the people who determined it is the alternator. Plaster is going to try and re-built the alternator at a cost between \$700.00 to \$800.00. If for some reason we would have in need of salt (for the roads) before we have the backhoe repaired, we do have other options available.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT:

No Report

PROPERTY AND SERVICE REPORT:

The maintenance crew received the new tools. The maintenance crew are requesting a lockbox for the new tools and Fireproof file cabinets. For 2024 a list will need to be provided to the EMS Coordinator of the equipment the Borough has, in case of any emergencies.

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT:

A list of the Volunteer Eagle Firefighters was given to the Borough. There are 7 Volunteer Eagle Firefighters. Michael asked Josh to get the addresses of all Volunteer Eagle Firefighters so we can have a copy of them for the Borough. A motion was made by Michael Barlett and seconded Josh Parish to approve the authorize payment of Volunteer Firefighter Service Tax Credit Program to eligible volunteer firefighters of Eagle Fire Company pursuant to requirements of the ordinance. The motion was passed unanimously.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT:

Santa will be visiting the Borough December 16th.

PERSONNEL REPORT:

No report

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Darryl attended the Emergency Management Meeting to discuss the future of the EMS with East Manchester Township and Manchester Borough. Darryl stated this meeting was very informative. They will continue to meet quarterly.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report

NEW BUSINESS:

Reorganization Meeting will be held on January 2, 2024 at 7pm

A motion was made by: Michael Barlett seconded Dan Schleig to adjourn meeting.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm

Next Committee Meeting: December 26, 2023 at 7pm

Next Regular Meeting: January 2, 2024 at 7pm