

## **THE MOUNT WOLF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**JANUARY 14, 2025**

The Mount Wolf Borough conducted a meeting on Tuesday January 14, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President Darryl Main at 7pm.

### **ATTENDANCE:**

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

Officials: Attorney: Devon Myers, Engineer: Chris Owens, Treasurer: Jennifer Reiner, Secretary: Bonnie Bentzel

### **ABSENT:**

Mayor Maureen Starner

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA:**

A motion was made by: Pat Poet and seconded by: Josh Parish to approve minutes from December 10, 2024, Council meeting with the corrections to Budget and Finance and Parks and Recreation. The motion was passed unanimously. Michael Barlett abstained from the vote.

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded by: Michael Barlett to approve the agenda with the removal of Open Records Policy Resolutions 2025-1 until next meeting. The motion was passed unanimously.

### **VISITORS:**

Charles Stambaugh, Resident

David Oaster

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Charles Stambaugh returned that the material that Mount Wolf Borough loaned the library. Charles Stambaugh reported that the month that Mount Wolf Borough was feature at the York Haven Library was a huge success. Charles Stambaugh thanked the Borough for the materials. Charles Stambaugh reported the York Haven Library will be featuring the Police Heritage Museum of York. This display will be featured until the end of March. On February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the Library will be hosting an event. The library will have guest speakers. Jim Kohr will be speaking on different crimes and Pennsylvania State Police Museum will be there. The Catholic Church will provide parking and F & S Bus will provide free shuttle to the library.

Jim Kohr asked Charles if Mt Wolf Borough would be willing to display a plaque for Governor Tom Wolf. Jim Kohr asked Charles Stambaugh if he could speak with Mount Wolf Borough Council and if Mount Wolf Borough would be willing to display Mr. Thomas Wolf. Charles Stambaugh reported that he has until February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to complete the paperwork. Charles

Stambaugh reported that he needs the approval of Council on where to display this plaque. Charles Stambaugh asked if this plaque could be displayed at the corner of Main Street and Center Street. Josh Parish informed Charles Stambaugh that where he wants to display this plaque is on a State Road and he would need to contact the PennDOT and ask if this is allowed to be displayed at the location requested. Council Member were in favor of the sign. Charles Stambaugh reported that he will have the wording for Council to review prior to February Council meeting.

David Oaster asked Council if there was a reason why recycling was not picked up on North 5<sup>th</sup> Street today. Josh Parish reported that this happened a couple of weeks ago. Trash was picked up, but the road was closed after trash was picked up and the recycling truck could not get through. Darryl Main stated that he will contact Penn Waste and let them know that recycling was never picked up on North 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Darryl Main reported that when this happens, Penn Waste will allow those residents double pick up for the next scheduled trash day.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Chris Owens distributed bid results to all Council Members for review and discussion regarding the 2nd Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project. Council reviewed and discussed the bids. A motion was made by: Michael Barlett and seconded by: Josh Parish to accept bid from DSW Services for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project. The motion was passed unanimously. Darryl Main abstained from the vote.

Darryl Main asked Chris Owens about an email that he received from County Conservation Report. Chris Owens reported that there is no action required at this time.

Chris Owens reported that he has received a third request for public improvement security reduction from Inch and Company for the Land Development Plan. A motion was made by: Dan Schleg and seconded by Dennis Naylor to approve the Public Improvement security bond amount to be reduced to \$6,800.00 with the contingency being reduce to \$680.00 and the surety to \$748.00, authorizing an additional net draw of \$ 158,944.39 for release. The motion was passed unanimously. The remaining bond amount is \$ 8,228.00.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Devin Myers reported the Open Records Policy Resolution 2025-1 will be discussed in February's meeting.

Devon Myers asked if Council informed Commonwealth Code that the Borough will no longer be using their services? Darryl Main reported that a letter was sent to Commonwealth Code.

Darryl Main reported to Devon Myers that Josh Parish received an email from a concerned residence regarding the property located at 126 South Main Street. This email was identifying 126 South Main Street as a problem property with the need for inspection or potentially hazardous building. Darryl Main forwarded the email to Devon Myers for her review prior to the meeting tonight. Devon Myers asked what was the reason the resident is stating that this property is unsafe, is it due to the appearance of the property, are there things falling down around the property? Darryl Main stated that he drove past the property. Darryl Main stated there was nothing on the outside of the property to deem it unsafe. Devon asked how does this

resident know that this property is unsafe? Josh Parish stated the resident is a member of the Eagle Fire Company and they have entered the property. Due to the conditions of this property the Eagle Fire Company will not enter the residents for any reason. Due to the safety of the Fire Fighters. Devon Myers asked Council if there are any ordinance violations that we could obtain liens or judgement against this property? Darryl Main reported that he is not aware of any, but he will look into it. Devon Myers reported basically the first thing the Borough has to do is find out if there are any ordinance violations on the outside of the property that appears to be a dangerous structure. If there are no violations, then the Borough will have to deem it to be a dangerous structure then it would be condemnation. Devon Myers stated that an administrative search warrant would need to be required to enter the inside of the property.

Devon Myers reported that the bidding amounts increased. For bids of \$12,500 no bidding is required. For bids from \$29,000 through \$ 23,800 three telephones bids are required and anything above \$23,800 formal threshold bidding is required.

### **ZONING OFFICER REPORT:**

Chris McDermott provided a zoning report for November and December. Bonnie Bentzel printed report and distributed to all Council Members. Bonnie Bentzel emailed the zoning report for November and December to Jay King.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Payment of Bills ~ Report of Finances ~ Receipt of Payments

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded by: Pat Poet to approve the Payment of Bills, Report of Finances and Receipt of Payments. The motion was passed unanimously.

Jennifer Reiner reported that the Auditors were here and completed the Audit.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

No Report

### **STREETS REPORT:**

Dennis Naylor reported that the radar signs are installed.

Dennis Naylor reported that the borough did run out of salt during the snowstorm, but the Borough has been replenished with salt and ready to use.

Darryl Main reported that the backhoe was leaking antifreeze again. It has been repaired. There are some other issues with the backhoe. Darryl Main did get some quotes for a backhoe just in case our backhoe would breakdown.

### **PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT:**

Dan Schleig reported that the camera at the park is not working properly. Dan Schleig stated that there is nothing blocking them and he will need to call Michael to come out and look at the cameras.

### **PROPERTY AND SERVICES REPORT:**

Brian McKenna reported that we are still waiting for the estimate from the insurance company regarding the damage to the Borough Building. Jennifer Reiner stated that she will contact the insurance company again the regarding claim.

Darryl Main reported that the flagpole at the park needs new rope. Dan Schleg stated that he will mention something to Travis Altland and see if he can install the rope.

### **BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT:**

No report

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT:**

Josh Parish reported that we did receive the Police report for the year. The Borough ended the year with 39 units under budget.

Josh Parish reported that he asked the fire company to send him their budget and the list of officers.

### **PERSONNEL REPORT:**

No report

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Darryl Main asked each Council Member to report back with goals that they would like to have completed in 2025.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

No report

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by: Pat Poet and seconded by: Michael Barlett to reappoint Patti Fisher to another five-year term to Northeastern York County Sewer Authority. The motion was passed unanimously.

Darryl Main stated that he witnessed a lot of tractor trailer traffic in the Borough over the weekend. Darryl Main recommended that the Borough do a traffic study.

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded by: Michael Barlett to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at: 9:10 pm.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm

The next Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday February 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm

