

THE MOUNT WOLF BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 9, 2024

The Mount Wolf Borough conducted a meeting on Tuesday July 9, 2024. The meeting was called to order by President Darryl Main at 7pm.

ATTENDANCE:

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

Officials: Mayor Maureen Starner, Attorney: Devon Myers, Treasurer: Jennifer Reiner and Secretary: Bonnie Bentzel

ABSENT:

Pat Poet, Engineer: Chris Owens

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA:

A motion was made by: Brian McKenna and seconded by Dan Schleig to approve the minutes from June 11, 2024, minutes with no corrections. Minutes from June 25, 2024, with the correction to add under old business. "Mayor Starner stated that she got an email from Devon." The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by: Dennis Naylor and seconded by Dan Schleig to approve the agenda with the addition under Parks and Recreation: Old Tymers Fall Schedule. The motion was passed unanimously.

VISITORS:

No Visitors

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No Public Comments

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Darryl reported that he and Mayor Starner met with representatives from York Water Company, Columbia gas and Northeastern Sewer Authority. Northeastern Sewer Authority is asking the Borough to hold off on any paving in the borough until they (Northeastern Sewer Authority) can finish with the inspections and upgrades that the sewer authority is doing within the borough. Darryl stated that the sewer authority projects that they should be finished with everything by May 15th, 2025. Darryl informed before anything can be amended or changed, he will need to bring this request to Borough Council. Mayor Starner stated that she looked at her e-mail and the issue was that Columbia gas has already started the paperwork today to confirm that they are agreeable to amending the agreement. Josh Parish stated that he wants to make sure that our street will be plowable in the winter if so needed. With much discussion, the council decided to

agree on this arrangement with Northeastern Sewer Authority, York Water Company and Columbia Gas. Mayor Starner stated that she will be sending letters to all residents regarding what is going on with our streets.

A motion was made by Dennis Naylor and seconded by: Brian McKenna to amend our agreement with Columbia Gas to extend our deadline to paving our streets to May 15th, 2025. Devon stated that she recommends that the Attorney for Columbia Gas to write the amendment with Columbia Gas and Mount Wolf Borough. Devon stated that the agreement proposed to Columbia Gas should also give Darryl authorization to sign the agreement prior to the next Borough Council meeting.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Darryl stated that he needs authorization to allow the engineer to research and proceed with 2nd Street grate replacement. A motion was made by Michael Barlett and seconded by Josh Parish to authorize Chris Owens, engineer, to research and replace the grate on 2nd Street. The motion was passed unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Illicit Discharge Enforcement for North 4th Street. The resident was notified, and he did move his vehicle off the street. He informed Devon that he is planning on having the car fixed, but it may take 2~3 months.

The Borough got a request from a resident asking if she can be buried on her property. Devon stated that she did do some research and it is her understanding, if there's no local regulation on whether or not you can bury somebody then they have to follow county and state regulation. Devon stated the resident must comply with our ordinance. Our ordinance states it can't be within 15 feet of the setbacks and the resident needs to research the county and state laws on burial. She also recommends the resident also checks with Diehl Funeral Homes on the laws of home burial.

Devon suggested that the Council reevaluate our insurance policies and make the necessary changes and upgrades to the policy.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT:

No report

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Payment of Bills ~ Report of Finances ~ Receipt of Payments

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Starner stated that she got a call from a resident regarding Emerson Flats. She stated that the resident stated there is a retaining wall at Emerson Flats with no safety rail. It is about an 8-foot drop. Mayor Starner did contact someone at Emerson Flats regarding this safety issue.

Mayor Starner stated that she has not heard by from Chief Bush regarding the false alarms at Georgia Pacific. She stated she will reach out to him again.

Mayor Starner did send a letter to residents at 107 North 3rd street regarding the fence that was placed with no permit. She stated that she informed them that they need to follow zoning regulations.

STREET'S REPORT:

Dennis Naylor stated that the backhoe is leaking antifreeze. The maintenance crew will try and replace that cap to see if that will fix the problem. Darryl Main stated that the crew tried the cap, and it did not fix the issue. A motion was made by: Dennis Naylor and seconded by Dan Schlegel to fix the backhoe and not exceed the cost of \$5,000.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

Dennis Naylor asked if we had an update on the railroad crossing. Darryl Main stated that they were supposed to put in 10" lights on the poles. Josh stated that the lights are uncovered and if they are not working, they can not uncover the lights.

Darryl Main stated that the maintenance crew did cut the brush around the railroad tracks by Georgia Pacific.

Mayor Starner stated that she will contact York Water and ask them to move the pipes from 3rd street to the dead-end area by Greiman Park.

Dennis Naylor stated after the last meeting couple of the Council members looked and decided where the speed enforcement signs would be placed. Dennis stated that they agreed on placing the signs at one of the poles between 6th and 7th street (coming into the borough) and the second enforcement sign (coming out of Manchester) has not been agreed on. Dennis stated the Council is working on the second enforcement sign. A motion was made by Dennis Naylor and seconded by Michael Barlett to authorize Deitz and Nauman to place the speed enforcement signs on the designated areas at a cost not to exceed \$2500.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT:

Dan Schlegel stated that he got an email from Steven Merck (Old Tymers Baseball). They are requesting to use the Wolves baseball field. They are requesting to use the field Saturdays and Sundays. (Sundays from 10am to 3pm) Starting September 14. Most of the games will be played on Sundays. Saturday games will be for make up games. Dan Schlegel did let Steven Merck know that Manny (ACES baseball) also requested that to use the field in the fall. Steven stated that he is willing to work with Manny. Dan Schlegel did give Steve Merck Manny's email address so they can coordinate games.

PROPERTY AND SERVICES REPORT:

Brian McKenna reported that Todd Hess did receive his check to paint the Borough building. Brian stated he has not heard anything back from Todd Hess. Dan Schleig stated that he will see Todd Hess this weekend and he will say something to him about when he will start painting the Borough building

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT:

Michael Barlett stated that every year we get the renewal policy from Selective Insurance and Michael Barlett stated that he needs to fill out a couple of things and asked the Borough Council if he has authorization to sign the insurance renewal policy. The Council gave Michael Barlett permission to sign the renewal policy.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT:

No Report

Darryl Main asked Josh Parish when Eagle Fire Company planning on purchasing the new fire truck. Josh Parish stated they will not purchase until the have approved delivery of the new fire truck.

PERSONNEL REPORT:

No Report

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

No Report

NEW BUSINESS:

No Report

Executive session started at: 8:35 pm

Executive session ended at: 8:45 pm

A motion was made by: Josh Parish and seconded Michael Barlett to adjourn the meeting. The motion was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at: 8:50 pm

Next Committee Meeting: July 23rd, 2024 @ 7pm

Next Council Meeting: August 13th, 2024 @ 7 pm

