

MOUNT WOLF BOROUGH NON-VOTING MEETING

SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

The Mount Wolf Council conducted a Non-Voting Meeting on Tuesday September 26, 2023. The meeting was called to order by: Michael Barlett at 7pm

ATTENDENCE: Brian McKenna, Todd Hess, Michael Barlett, Dan Schleig

Officer: Mayor Maureen Starner, Treasurer: Jennifer Reiner, Secretary: Bonnie Bentzel

ABSENT: President: Darryl Main, Vice President: Dennis Naylor, Josh Parish

VISITORS: Holly Rowland

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Holly Rowland is President of the Northeastern Little League (NELL) wanted to address the refusal of the reimbursement for the benches at Greiman Fields. Holly is requesting that the Borough will reconsider the reimbursement for the bench repairs. Holly stated that she was unaware that the Borough meet for meetings and that the community was invited to the meetings. Holly stated that there was a child who got injured because of the benches, so NELL took it upon themselves to repair/replace the benches. Holly stated that since NELL repair/replaced the benches she did submit a receipt to the Borough for reimbursement. She stated that she emailed the receipt to Councilman Schleig and he informed her that he will need to get this approved by the Council first before any reimbursement will be given to NELL. Holly stated that she told him she was "Okay" with that. She stated that she got the email from Councilman Schleig stating that the reimbursement request was denied. The reason for the denials were given to NELL. stated that she was "taken back" for the reason for denial. She read her emailed that she sent to Councilman Schleig. Holly is requesting that the fence along field #1 be repair so the baseballs do not go under the fence and cause harm to the children as they retrieve their baseballs. The Council informed Holly that the fence is not on Borough property and it belongs to the farmer. So, the Borough does not have the authority to repair the fence in question. Holly asked that if any concerns regarding NELL be address to her and no one else. She also stated that she will contact us personally with any concerns that NELL has with the fields. Mayor Starner stated that she will contact the farmer regarding the fence. Holly stated that there are holes dug in the dirt between 1st and 2nd base. Mayor Starner suggested that our maintenance crew and the coaches from NELL could meet at the field that is damaged and they could work together to fix the hole. Holly was in agreement with this suggestion and she could have one of the coaches there to meet with our maintenance crew.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Starner stated that she has sent out letters regarding violations to residents. It was brought to her attention of other violations in the borough and she will be sending out more enforcement letters. Mayor stated that she will be out of town until Sunday October 1st 2023. Mayor Starner stated that the budget for Police protection will be going up about 4% for next year. Mayor Starner stated she will contact Chief Damon and tell him that the Borough is requesting a close estimate with the 4% increase as we prepare our budget for 2024. This increase is for Police protection only.

STREET REPORT: Sidewalk inspections will be completed the month of October. Each Councilman will be assigned a street (not their own street) and they will report back to Mayor Starner. The sidewalk inspections will be completed by October 21st. There is no date set for leaf collection. The borough may move the collection date up due to the rainy weather. The borough will need to coordinate with Manchester. The Halloween Parade is set for Sunday October 15, 2023.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT: No Report

PROPERTY AND SERVICE REPORT: Brian stated that Dan was going to see if he could get a better quote for the tools that are requested by our maintenance crew. Dan stated that he could not bet the quote that Brian presented. This will be voted on at the next Council Meeting.

BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT: Michael asked for the end of the year report as he starts the Budget for 2024. Jennifer stated that she will get the report to him.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT: No Report

PERSONNEL REPORT: No Report

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: Vacancy chair is still open.

NEW BUSINESS: There is an issue with "dumping" yard waste in the streets in the area of South 4th and 6th Streets. The mayor has received complaints regarding this issue. Mayor Starner will send out an enforcement letter.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by: Todd Hess and seconded by Dan Schleig. The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Next Non-Voting Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 24, 2023 at 7:00 pm