

MINUTES
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN BOROUGH

DATE: July 20, 2016

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway

ATTENDING: Marlin W. Berger, Jr., Council President, Roger Spotts, Vice President, Council members Bedway, Williams, Gordon and Montz. Also present were Mayor Devlin, Administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchik, and Secretary Killian. Council member Bowman and JCP McGoey were absent.

CALL TO ORDER: President Berger called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer.

AUDIT REPORT: Ed Ebling from Jones & Company provided the Borough with the 2015 Audit Report. He reviewed this report with Council.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Bill & Mary Yazujian of 200 Washington Street were present to question Council about what can be done on South Garfield. They own a property at the corner of Center Avenue and South Garfield. This property was damaged by a truck coming up South Garfield and trying to turn onto Center Avenue (Route 61). Administrator Graver stated that he has spoken with Draka Cable and they are going to inform their truck drivers not to use South Garfield. Also the Property & Highway Committee are recommending that South Garfield be posted "No Truck Traffic". The Mayor can do this on a 90 day trial period. On motion of Gordon/Montz Council approved the placement of signs on South Garfield and Lilly Streets stating no truck traffic allowed. Mary Yazujian also requested that two parking spaces be allowed on South Garfield by their property. She feels that if cars are parked there it would deter trucks from making the turn. The property & highway committees will look into this matter.

MINUTES: The minutes of the June 1 and June 15, 2016 meeting were approved on motion of Montz/Gordon.

TAX COLLECTOR: The Tax Collector's report in the amount of \$17,762 was approved on motion of Gordon/Montz.

TREASURER'S RPT: Gloria Ebling presented Council with the June Treasurer's report. On motion of Montz/Spotts this report was approved.

BILLS: The following bills were approved for payment on motion of Montz/Gordon: General \$216,776.37; Electric \$520,915.17; Water \$179,052.66; Sewer \$187,675.78 for a total of \$1,104,419.98.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Gordon/Montz Council approved the June transfers.

On motion of Montz/Gordon Council approved the request from VRAJ to hold a Walk a Thon on September 4th to begin at Bubeck Park and end at the Island. Fire police will be asked to assist.

On motion of Gordon/Bedway Council approved the salaries for the crossing guards:

2016/2017- \$24.00

2017/2018- \$24.25

2018/2019- \$24.50

2019/2020- \$24.75

2020/2021- \$25.00

HIGHWAY: On motion of Spotts/Gordon Council approved the request for handicap parking space at 733 North Garfield Avenue.

CDBG: On motion of Bedway/Gordon Council appointed Levkulick Associates as the Borough's engineering firm for the 2016 CDBG program.

On motion of Spotts/Montz Council approved the award of the paving contract for St. James Street to Lehigh Asphalt at a cost of \$27,403.75.

OTHER BUSINESS: Mayor Devlin stated that himself and the Recreation Director feel that a designated spot for bonfires is needed over on the Island. When groups use pallets for burning they leave nails behind, which are dangerous to the children using this area. He feels that if a designated area is used it could be protected with large rocks. The property committee will look into this.

Mayor Devlin also stated that the Haven Night at the Phillies was a great success with 325 people attending.

Mayor Devlin announced that the Island Commission is moving ahead with a beer garden for island Fest which is scheduled for August 20th from 2pm to 10 pm.

President Berger was disappointed in the donations received for the fireworks. He also thought the additional water usage at Bubeck Park and the Island is needed to maintain the flowers and trees that were planted.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on motion of Montz/Gordon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian
Borough Secretary