

MINUTES
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN BOROUGH

DATE: January 2, 2019

TIME: 6:30 pm

PLACE: 250 Parkway, Council Chambers

ATTENDING: President Montz, Vice President Bowman, Council Members Bedway, Williams, Spotts, and Williams. Also present were Mayor Devlin, Administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchick, and Secretary Killian. Council member Roeder and JCP Rossi were absent.

CALL TO ORDER: President Montz called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Bowman/Gordon Council approved the request from Girardville Borough for fire police assistance with their St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 30th

PROPERTY: A discussion was held on NO Hunting in the Borough of Schuylkill Haven. Council member William noted that the Council had a request from a citizen last month regarding this matter. VP Bowman stated that he does not believe the Borough can adopt an ordinance banning hunting in the Borough. PA Game Commission would overrule any ordinances. Council member Gordon suggested that maybe the Borough could place a fee on anyone who wishes to hunt in the Borough. Solicitor Semanchick stated that he will be contacting Harrisburg regarding this issue and will have an answer for Council by the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: VP Bowman stated that he believes the business district had a good Holiday season.

Council member Gordon thanked the Mayor for his Holiday Glow Awards. He had a great time passing them out and the citizens were very appreciative.

Mayor Devlin echoed Council member Gordon's thought about the Holiday Glow awards. He also reminded everyone about the Boy Scouts Christmas tree collection on January 12th.

Administrator Graver reminded everyone that the Boy Scouts recycle the Christmas trees. Therefore they cannot have any bags, lights or stands on them.

Council member Williams stated he feels the Mayor should give more glow awards out in the future. It is hard to pick just a few. Council member Williams stated that there is a piece of metal standing up on the Main Street railroad crossing. Administrator Graver stated that the Railroad is aware of the issue.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian
Borough Secretary

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DATE: January 16, 2019

TIME: 6:30 pm

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven

ATTENDING: President Kurt Montz, VP Jerry Bowman, Members Roeder, Gordon, Bedway, Williams and Spotts. Also present were Mayor Devlin, Administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchick, and Secretary Killian. JCP Rossi was absent.

CALL TO ORDER: President Montz called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the pledge of allegiance followed by a prayer.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Ruth Tucci of Fidler Avenue asked about the Senior's using the gym for eating functions. She also questioned whether the town clock was going to be repaired. Administrator Graver stated he has spoken to a Company in Gratz that repairs clocks, they will be looking at the clock.

MINUTES: The minutes of the December 5th and December 19th Council meetings were approved on motion of Gordon/Spotts

TAX COLLECTOR: The Tax Collector's report in the amount of \$15,775 was approved on motion of Bowman/Gordon.

TREASURER'S RPT: Gloria Ebling, Treasurer, presented Council with the December 2018 Treasurers' report. On motion of Bowman/Roeder Council approved this report.

BILLS: The following bills were approved for payment on motion of Gordon/Spotts: General \$229,187.27; Electric \$193,038.83; Water \$120,069.29; Sewer \$127,590.98 for a total of \$969,886.37.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Roeder/Bowman Council approved the December transfers.

On motion of Gordon/Roeder Council approved the December Highway Aid transfers

On motion of Roeder/Gordon Council accepted the award of the Recycling Grant in the amount of \$229,398 and authorized the proper officials to execute the contract agreement.

On motion of Bowman/Spotts Council approved the payment of \$4,103 to TB Landscaping for work done at the Island and Bubeck Park. This will be paid from SSCOG Funds.

- CABLE: Solicitor Semanchick stated that he is still working on the Comcast franchise & pole agreement.
- RECREATION: Solicitor Semanchick stated that Council held an Executive Session prior to tonight's Council meeting. It was from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm to discuss personnel.
- Administrator Graver stated that he is recommending that Ryan Wehr be promoted to Recreation Director retroactive to January 1, 2019. This was approved on motion of Williams/Roeder.
- OLD BUSINESS: VP Bowman stated that at last meeting we had a request from Boy Scouts for a \$150.00 donation he would like to check into further and then bring back to Council.
- Council member Roeder stated that she was absent for the last meeting and wonder what happen with the request from a citizen for no hunting in the Borough. She was informed that the Game Commission rules over any ordinance the Borough could enact.
- NEW BUSINESS: None
- OTHER BUSINESS: Mayor Devlin stated that in 2006 the Borough did an Economic Revitalization Study. This is being looked at again and there will be a meeting on January 28th regarding this matter.
- Administrator Graver stated that he will be meeting with a member of DCED for an evaluation of the Borough's grant submittal for a façade improvement grant.
- Adjourn: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm on motion of Roeder/Gordon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian
Borough Secretary