

MINUTES
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN BOROUGH

DATE: January 4, 2017

TIME: 6:30 PM

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway

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

CALL TO ORDER: President Berger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On motion of Montz/Gordon Council entered into an Executive Session on a contract issue.

RECONVEENED: Council meeting reconvened at 6:40 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Montz/Gordon Council approved zero contribution from the Police Officers for their pension plan. This is per the collective bargaining agreement.

HIGHWAY: On motion of Spotts/Williams Council entered into an agreement with Penn DOT for relocation of the Borough's water line on Wilder Street in Cressona. This utility relocation reimbursement agreement is what was discussed in Executive session.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Mary Auchenbach of Center Avenue complained about the speeding on Center Avenue (Route 61). She feels that the police department should be arresting speeders. She also feels that one of the speed timing signs should be placed on this road. She was told that the Borough is gathering quotes for a LED speed sign, but this would have to be approved by Penn DOT, since it is a Penn DOT highway.

Ruth Tucci of Fidler Avenue stated that she feels that signs should be placed outside the Borough warning cars of reduced speed ahead. This is also a Penn DOT issue. Councilmember Montz suggested that our police force partner with State Police to arrest speeders on Center Avenue (Route 61).

OTHER BUSINESS: President Berger asked the Mayor where they were at on hiring Part time police officers. He asked the Mayor to have an answer by next month's meeting.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm on motion of Bedway.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian
Borough Secretary

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DATE: January 18, 2017

TIME: 6:30 pm

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven

ATTENDING: President Marlin W. Berger, Jr., Vice President Roger Spotts, Members Bedway, Williams, Bowman, Montz and Gordon. Also attending were Mayor Devlin, Administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchik, J and Secretary Killian. JCP McGoey was absent.

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

MINUTES: The minutes of the December 7th and 21st meeting were approved on motion of Montz/Gordon.

TAX COLLECTOR: The Tax Collector's report in the amount of \$9,281 was approved on motion of Bowman/Montz.

TREASURER'S RPT: Gloria Ebling presented Council with the December 2016 Treasurer's report. On motion of Bowman/Spotts this report was accepted.

BILLS: The following bills were approved for payment on motion of Montz/Gordon: General \$230,442.49; Electric \$506,455.54; Water \$151,188.12; Sewer \$105,277.84 for a total of \$993,363.99.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Montz/Gordon the December transfers were approved.

On motion of Montz/Gordon the December Highway Aid transfers were approved.

On motion of Montz/Spotts Council accepted the North Manheim Township Fire Protection check in the amount of \$10,500 for 2017.

A letter was received from the Schuylkill Frontier Girls requesting permission to let a Group of volunteers clean up the WWI monument on Parkway. Also they will do research on the veterans and would like to plant a tree near this monument. On motion of Montz/Gordon Council approved a donation of \$110.00 for this project.

Council tabled the discussion on unpaid leave absences until the Solicitor looks into this further.

OLD BUSINESS: The lady for Frontier Girls gave a brief explanation on the flag retirement ceremony scheduled for March 11th from 2 to 5 pm on the Island.

NEW BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Council member Bowman stated that his Finance Committee met before the meeting. The Auditor will be doing their year-end audit next week. He also stated that SSCOG will be meeting tomorrow night.

Council member Spotts stated that everything is good with the Library Board. He also stated that the Borough Highway crew is doing a great job on cleaning the streets.

Council member Gordon stated this Property Committee met before the meeting and no action is to be taken at this time.

Council member Montz stated that the Recreation Committee is still doing research on the gym floor. He is requesting an Executive Session for the next meeting for personnel and North Manheim update.

Administrator Graver stated that the Wilder Street water line replacement started this week. He also stated that property owners should be mindful of cleaning their sidewalks of ice and snow. Warning notices are being sent out to property owners not following this Borough Code.

CONTRACTS: Council member Bowman reminded everyone that both the AFSCME and Police contract are up this year for negotiations.

ADJOURN: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm on motion of Montz/Gordon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian
Borough Secretary