

MINUTES  
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN BOROUGH

DATE: October 5, 2016

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway

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

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Robert Fausnaugh of 30 Center Avenue stated that the school bus picks up children at 20 Center Avenue and with the new 4 lane highway the traffic is not stopping making it very dangerous for the children. Mayor Devlin stated he will talk to the Chief of Police to have an officer sitting there to watch the traffic.

Herb Schlegel of 629 Leonard Street complained about properties in the Borough not keeping their yards and homes looking good. Code Officer asked Mr. Schlegel to call him with specific addresses.

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Montz/Gordon Council authorized the Borough Administrator to submit an application for waste water treatment plant improvements.

OTHER BUSINESS: Council member Bowman corrected a recent article in the paper the SSCOG funds end in the year 2019. He also told the Administrator that the storm drain at Union and Avenue B is eroded around it. Council member Bowman also stated that 3 trees were planted at the Willow Street playground.

Council member Montz stated the Recreation Committee is recommending a new wooden gym floor for the Community Center. This will go out for bid early next year.

Council member Gordon stated that the project on Blossom/Hillcroft area is looking good.

Council member Williams stated that the Legion is looking for new members.

Vice President Spotts stated that the library installed a new roof and also a new boiler will be installed later this month.

Mayor Devlin stated that October 16<sup>th</sup> is Funfest at the Island.

SOLICITOR: Solicitor Semanchik asked Council to approve a hold harmless agreement with Housing Authority for the improvements the Borough made to the walking trail on the Island. On motion of Montz/Williams this was approved.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Randall Blunk of 14 East Liberty asked Council if parking space lines could be painted on his section of East Liberty. He also complained about cars speeding in this area. He is afraid that the young children playing in the area will get injured. Administrator Graver and Mayor Devlin will look into these matters.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm on motion of Montz/Bowman.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian  
Borough Secretary

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DATE: October 19, 2016

TIME: 6:30 PM

PLACE: Council Chambers, 250 Parkway

ATTENDING: President Berger, Vice President Spotts, Members Bedway, Williams, Bowman, Montz and Gordon. Also attending were Mayor Devlin, administrator Graver, Solicitor Semanchik, JCP McGoey and Secretary Killian.

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

PROCLAMATION: The Mayor presented the Business and Professional Women's Club a proclamation declaring the week of October 16<sup>th</sup> as BPW week.

MINUTS: On motion of Montz/Gordon the minutes of the September 7<sup>th</sup> and September 21<sup>st</sup> meetings were approved .

TAX COLLECTOR: On motion of Bowman/Montz Council approved the Tax Collector's report in the amount of \$4,879.

TREASURER'S REPROT: Gloria Ebling, Treasurer, presented Council with the September Treasurer's report. On motion of Bowman/Montz this report was approved.

BILLS: The following bills were approved on motion of Montz/Bedway : General \$240,701.21; Electric \$581,651.89; Water \$169,372.74; Sewer \$92,990.40 for a total of \$1,084,746.24.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from the Cheerleaders requesting permission to hold a bonfire on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> was approved on motion of Montz/Gordon for the new location at the vacant lot on St. Charles Street.

ADMINISTRATION: On motion of Gordon/Spotts Council approved the August transfers

PROPERTY: On motion of Gordon/Bedway Council approved the bid from Diana McGoey in the amount of \$2,000 for the property at 750 North Garfield Avenue.

COMMUNITY DEV: On motion of Gordon/Montz Council approved the revision to the Housing rehab Policy.

On motion of Gordon/Montz Council approved the Citizen Participation report.

On motion of Gordon/Montz Council approved the Sub-Recipient Agreement with the county.

OLD BUSINESS: Council member Montz announced that the Recreation Commission will be meeting next month to further talk about redoing the gym floor.

NEW BUSINESS: Administrator Graver stated that he received a letter from the Boy Scouts stating that they will be collecting Christmas trees on January 7<sup>th</sup>. They will be staging at Bubeck Park, same as previously years. This was approved by Council.

OTHER BUSINESS: Council member Bowman stated that his Finance Committee met before the meeting and everything is on target. He stated that SSCOG meets tomorrow night. Council member Bowman also stated that cars are speeding on East Union Street in the early mornings. They are using East Union Street to get to school, avoiding Main Street. Mayor stated he will have the police patrol this area. Council member Bowman also stated that the two railroad crossings in the Borough are in bad shape. Administrator Graver will mention something to the Railroad about them.

Council member Spotts stated that the Library replaced their boiler. He also stated that 61 is a racetrack now that the work is completed. He reminded everyone that there is a 30 mph speed limit.

Mayor Devlin stated that the Fall Festival on Sunday was a big success. Mayor also reminded everyone about the Halloween Parade on October 25<sup>th</sup>. He also urged residents to register their decorated homes on the website for judging for the best decorated Halloween house.

Council member Bedway stated that the contractor did a nice job on Route 61.

President Berger stated that the water system study has been completed and several leaks were found and repaired. President Berger stated that Council members should go on line to look at Town Clocks and maybe discuss placing this in next year's budget.

NORTH MANHEIM: Solicitor Semanchik updated Council on the litigation with North Manheim Township. He stated that he has filed, with the courts, a judgement for \$114,879 to be awarded to the Borough in regards to this litigation. He stated that North Manheim Township has 20 days to respond and then it is in the hands of the judge.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm on motion of Montz.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kathy J. Killian  
Borough Secretary