

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, in the municipal building located at 42 West 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Musser presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Sauers, Shawn Bingaman, Maria Brandt, Karen Roberts, Domenico Barillaro, Mark Benner, and Donald Musser were present.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Manager Edward Hovenstine, Mayor Joseph McGranaghan, Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Brian Soles, Susan Sidler, John Sidler, June Stark, Marilyn Roberts, Jordan Adams, and Carrie Adams were present.

The meeting was opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman to approve the Council minutes of August 1, 2022, as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, and approved by all.

VISITORS:

Fire Police – Brian Soles reported that Fire Police have been established at the Hummels Wharf fire department with seven members-four active members. Mayor McGranaghan requested a letter accompanied by a roster with active members to which the Mayor would swear in.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Manager Hovenstine reported that the Jeannie Weaver property located at 3517 N Old Trail was transferred to Carl Carr, Jr, Robert Grayston, Jr. property located at 518 Sunbury Road was transferred to Jason Harris.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Manager Hovenstine mentioned that the Lead and Copper testing was conducted throughout the Borough with no issues.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor McGranaghan met with Vicar Mindy Bartholomew regarding a community Christmas tree lighting service; the Mayor will report back to Vicar Mindy Bartholomew with suggestions from Council.

Property Maintenance Update – Stephanie Lewis property located at 3042 N Old Trail has been demolished, Kratzer Oil property located at 3000 N Susquehanna Trail (Golden Chopsticks) will be demolished this week, and Kyle Mirolli property located at 3710, 3718/3720 N Old Trail may have been sold. Mayor McGranaghan requested a meeting with Central Keystone COG regarding the discussion of property maintenance procedures, and how to expedite the process.

President Musser will attend the annual Central Keystone COG General Membership Meeting in October.

Police Report – The Mayor reviewed the August police report and reviewed an update of radar enforcement.

MANAGERS REPORT:

2022 Street Project Bids – Bids were received and opened today for the 2022 Streets Project:

Rite-Way Sealing	\$129,493.60
Gutelius Excavating	\$143,504.50
New Enterprise Stone & Lime	\$153,362.25

A motion was made by Councilman Benner to award the bid for the 2022 Streets Project to the low bidder, Rite-Way Sealing & Paving with a bid of \$129,493.60, seconded by Councilman Barillaro, and approved by all.

I/I Program – The Manager discussed meetings with ESCRA regarding developing an I/I program for the infiltration of the sewer system. Manager Hovenstine met with a company that surveys the sewer system, submits a report to the Borough as possible infiltration areas, and these services have an approximate cost of \$25,000.00.

PR Valve – Manager Hovenstine reviewed a PR valve project with an estimated cost of \$30,000.00 for backwashing from the reservoir. The Manager is researching possibilities for the project.

Architect Proposal – The Borough received a proposal from Strosser Baer Architects (SBA) in the amount of \$25,000.00 for drawings of the building renovations and overseeing the bid process. A motion was made by Councilwoman Brandt to approve the proposal from SBA in the amount of \$25,000.00, seconded by Vice President Sauers, and roll call vote called: Dom-Yes, Karen-Yes, Shawn-Yes, Dave-Yes, Don-Yes, Mark-Yes, Maria-Yes. 7-Yes 0-No

Pension MMO – The Non-Uniform Pension Plan Obligation to be paid by the Borough for 2023 is \$62,968.00 and the Police Pension Plan Obligation to be paid by the Borough for 2023 is \$32,535.00 due December 31, 2023. These obligations do not take into consideration, the anticipated state aid reimbursement.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Jonathan Road Stop Signs – Solicitor Slivinski presented Ordinance 2022-3. Establishing stop intersections at certain intersections (Jonathan Road & MacIntosh Road), and prescribing penalties for violations. A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman to approve Ordinance 2022-3, establishing stop sign intersections on Jonathan Road and MacIntosh Road) and prescribing penalties for violations, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, roll call vote called: Maria-Yes, Dom-Yes, Karen-Yes, Shawn-Yes, Dave-Yes, Don-No, Mark-Yes. 6-Yes 1-No

Solicitor Slivinski reviewed the flood mitigation manual from the state and explained the process: Council would request a feasibility study from the state to remedy specific flooding problems, if the feasibility study is recommended by the state, then the Borough would be responsible to get damage survey forms completed by residents, state engineers would perform all technical details of the feasibility study, all gathered information evaluated for economic feasibility, once resolution project is determined feasible then Borough would make decision to sign on the project, the agreement would be that the Borough is responsible for the costs and maintenance of the project but the state applies for DEP funding. The Solicitor stated that at this time the only requirement would be to request a feasibility study. A motion was made by Councilman Benner to request a feasibility study from the state, seconded by Councilman Bingaman, and approved by all.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at 7:00 PM to discuss final land development plan for Royal Farms and Eagle Wind Coffee Shop.

WORKSHOP:

A Workshop meeting will not be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$15,701.76, and Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$94,272.36 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Vice President Sauers to approve payment of the bills as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Brandt, and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel
Borough Secretary