

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 1, 2015**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Monday, June 1, 2015 in the municipal building located at 42 W. 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President David Herbert presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andrew Bickhart, Robert Herbert, Donald Musser, Mark Benner, Rue Rothermel, and David Herbert were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Malcolm Fleming was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Manager Ed Hovenstine, Mayor Joe McGranaghan, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Police Chief Tim Bremigen, Trish Carothers, Dennis Adams, Jon Andrews, Frank Witt, Joan Witt, Scott Kerstetter, Don O'Hara, Cindy O'Hara, Art Thomas, Joe Zokaites, Joe Jordan and Jon Gray were present.

The meeting was opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Rothermel to approve the Council meeting minutes of May 4, 2015, Planning Commission minutes of May 13, 2015, and Council Workshop minutes of May 21, 2015 as corrected, seconded by Vice President Bickhart, and approved by all.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PUBLIC HEARING, PROPOSED ORDINANCE – Amending the Borough's zoning code by adding provisions for power generation facility in the general Industrial (M-1) District. This proposal has been advertised. No Public Comment. Planning Commission recommended adoption of the proposed amendment of the Borough's zoning code by adding a definition of Power Generation Facility and provide for the use of Power Generation Facility to be permitted use in the M-1 General Industrial District. The Planning Commission finds the proposed amendment to be consistent with the objectives of the Borough's Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Councilman Musser to adopt Ordinance 2015-6, amending the Borough's zoning code by adding provisions for power generation facility in the general Industrial (M-1) District, seconded by Councilman Herbert, and approved by all.

VISITORS:

Trish Carothers, SEDA COG, Susquehanna Greenway – Trish Carothers discussed the proposed Susquehanna River Sports Park, which supports economic development and improvement to the quality of life. Ms. Carothers questioned whether Shamokin Dam Borough would continue to pursue the possibility of the Susquehanna River Sports Park. Mayor McGranaghan stated that the

two issues would be the Nestlerode Property and PENNDOT's decision on the location of Route 11 roadway along the river. Trish Carothers expressed that moving forward would involve reconvening the members and meeting with DCNR and PENNDOT. Manager Hovenstine and Mayor McGranaghan agreed to continue as members. Ms. Carothers requested correspondence from the Borough expressing continued support of the Susquehanna River Sports Park.

Scott Kerstetter, East Snyder Park Board – Scott Kerstetter reviewed the improvements at East Snyder Park, resigned as the Borough's representative for the East Snyder Park Board, and recommended appointing Steve Diehl as the Borough's representative for the East Snyder Park Board. Snyder County Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 beginning at 4:00 PM. A motion was made by Councilman Musser to accept the resignation from Scott Kerstetter as the Borough's representation and appoint Steve Diehl to represent Shamokin Dam Borough on the East Snyder Park Board, seconded by Councilman Rothermel, and approved by all.

Scott Kerstetter left at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Shamokin Dam Fire Company May 2015 financials were not submitted due to timing of Council meeting. President Herbert questioned Councilman Benner on the progress of fire company audit. Councilman Benner stated that Ralph Sanchez's information was forwarded to Bruce Ammerman. President Herbert explained that the financial reports should include both fire department and social hall financials and expressed the seriousness from the Auditor General's office for a 2015 audit. Councilman Benner will forward Bruce Ammerman's contact information to Jon Gray to pass on to Fire Company President. Fire Chief Jon Gray reviewed the fire department report to Council.

MAYORS REPORT:

The Manager, President Herbert, and the Mayor attended an initial CSVT Project meeting providing the status of the final design and other pre-construction activities for the Southern Section of the project. Mayor McGranaghan suggested that Council authorize Manager Hovenstine to write correspondence to PENNDOT regarding Baldwin Blvd concerns, connector road between developments, and other items. Public meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Selinsgrove Middle School.

Police Chief Bremigen reviewed the May police report.

The police department completed the Buckle Up grant. Police Chief Bremigen reviewed a crash report history from 2007-2015 showing a decrease due to grant enforcements. The Police Chief also reviewed the assist call history from 2007-2015 with Council. Mayor McGranaghan commented that the police schedule revision reflects the Borough's needs and allows for a police presence in the Borough. Police Chief Bremigen stated that the police department is taking care of the Borough's needs first. Officer Lehman is doing a great job and continuing additional training.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Music in Jack Treas Park – The Borough will be holding concerts at Jack Treas Park from 6:00-8:00 PM. Scheduled: The Frank Wicher Band on Wednesday, June 17th, Pearl & Ivory on Wednesday, July 15th, and KJ Reimensnyder-Wagner on Wednesday, August 19th. Councilman Musser suggested contacting Lamar Advertising as a way of advertising the event.

Borough Picnic – The Borough Community Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 2, 2015. S & M Catering will be catering the meal from 4:00-6:00 PM free of charge for all Borough residents and at a cost of \$8.50 per person for guests. Entertainment will begin at 5:00 PM.

Manager Hovenstine suggested that Council consider replacing the 2001 Chevy truck with a small utility van for better access to tools and materials. The Manager reported that the thirty year old mower is in need of major repair. Pricing is being obtained for possible future purchase. The Borough purchased a push mower for the smaller areas.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Park Work – The Borough crew has been working at the parks: safety checks, mulching, and dog park trail. Manager Hovenstine stated that our new Borough employee, Jason Sprengel, is working out well.

Reservoir Pricing – Manager Hovenstine received a quote from Eagle Ridge Contracting in the amount of \$10,400.00 to reinforce the southeast reservoir corner. A motion was made by Vice President Bickhart to authorize the Manager to accept quote for reinforcement of the southeast reservoir corner, seconded by Councilman Rothermel, and approved by all.

Streets Program Changes/UGI, Stetler Avenue – The 2015 Street Program plan was to reconstruct Stetler Avenue, however the current route for the Sunbury Pipeline would interfere. The Manager changed the plan from Stetler Avenue to Maple Street with the bid process beginning in July or August. Manager Hovenstine spoke to UGI regarding repairing Center Street. No date has been set.

Recycling – Penn Township will allow the Borough to recycle items for curbside recycling at their location. Penn Township offers a drop off recycling location at 228 Clifford Road from dawn to dusk seven days a week. The Borough is encouraging residents to recycle items at this location rather than the Sunbury Municipal Authority. President Herbert stated that Brenda Moyer from Penn Township has been very helpful with coordination. The recycling trailer is used to store the aluminum cans until they are recycled.

Manager Hovenstine received notice of the liability insurance (not including workers compensation insurance) renewal on August 1, 2015.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A Planning Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM to discuss proposed Ordinance amendment. A Planning Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM to review final land development/subdivision of Brubaker Apartments.

Calvary Fellowship Susquehanna Valley church installed water/sewer lines at the site. Manager Hovenstine mentioned that the hydrant flow sprinkler test was completed.

COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

President Herbert reported that a workshop meeting will be held on June 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM to continue discussion of the collective bargaining letter received from Officer Hassenplug.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$30,607.51 and Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$101,548.04 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Councilman Rothermel to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Councilman Musser, and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel
Borough Secretary