

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Monday June 5, 2017 in the municipal building located at 42 West 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Herbert presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andrew Bickhart, Mark Benner, Donald Musser, David Sauers, and David Herbert were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilman Herbert and Councilman Rothermel were absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Manager Ed Hovenstine, Mayor Joseph McGranaghan, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Police Chief Bremigen, Frank Witt, Joan Witt, Domenico Barillaro, Chyvonne Rhoads, Kyle Jessick, June Stark, Mark Morgan, and Chet Telatovich were present.

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

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Benner to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting of Council as presented, seconded by Councilman Musser, and approved by all.

VISITORS:

Central Keystone COG – Mark Morgan introduced himself to Council as the person that conducts the commercial plan review for Shamokin Dam Borough. Councilman Musser questioned whether Central Keystone COG handles all the approvals of Hummel Station plan review in house or whether there is an engineer firm assisting. Mr. Morgan stated that Central Keystone COG reviews safety issues for unoccupied buildings. Hummel Station has in house inspections conducted by four inspection agencies on site at all times and are reviewed by an independent engineer firm. Councilman Musser questioned whether there would be a single source for inspection review. Mark Morgan answered that Central Keystone COG will be a single source inspection of safety issues.

Mark Morgan left at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Police Chief Bremigen sent correspondence to the Sunbury Fire Police commending them on a job well done and sent a monetary donation approved by Council at the May 1, 2017 Council meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Borough Picnic – Borough Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 6, 2017. The meal will be served from 4:00 - 6:00 PM and entertainment will be from 5:00-7:00 PM.

Summer Newsletter – Council reviewed the proposed 2017 Summer Newsletter that will be mailed in June. The newsletter has a link for the 2016 CCR to allow Borough residents to review.

Sunbury Generation Golf Tournament – The Sunbury Generation Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 with the open house reception on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 from 6:00-9:00 PM.

Fifth Grade Camp – Vice President Bickhart explained that the Fifth Grade Camp is conducted by volunteers (Parents, teachers, high school students, nurses, and kitchen staff). This year 225 children went to the four day camp with an approximate cost of \$35,000.00. Vice President Bickhart stated that an average cost would be \$150.00 per child and suggested changing the annual contribution from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00. President Herbert thanked Vice President for report on fifth grade camp and stated that Council would consider an increase at budget time.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor McGranaghan reviewed the three suggested alignments for the CSVT project and suggested sending correspondence to PENNDOT expressing concerns Council may have of the project. Mayor McGranaghan explained that two of the alignments would affect Weatherfield Development and the other alignment would affect the Grayston property for future development. The Mayor discussed survey results regarding the Cortland connector at Spruce Street. PENNDOT will hold a meeting in the fall to present their consideration of the three proposed alignments. Councilman Musser stated that Council should still maintain opposition of the 61 connector and request that the Cortland connector be at Spruce Street. Manager Hovenstine will send correspondence to PENNDOT with Council's concerns.

Council reviewed the May police report.

Police Chief Bremigen reported that Joshua Dreisbach, part time police officer with the Shamokin Dam police department, submitted a letter of resignation effective June 5, 2017. Resignation accepted.

The Police Chief stated that Officer Hassenplug completed NRA training, became a certified instructor, and qualified Police Chief Bremigen and Officer Shipman.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Annual Clean Up Summary – Annual Cleanup was completed on Monday, May 15, 2017 with approximately 24 ton hauled away.

Water Valve Installation – Manager Hovenstine mentioned that a water valve installation on Maple Street near King Avenue was completed to prepare for the first phase of King Avenue water line replacement in July. Councilman Sauers questioned on the amount of properties involved. The Manager stated that four properties would be affected in the first phase.

Sewer Repairs – The Borough repaired the manhole at Routes 11/15 and Kessler Avenue. Manager Hovenstine discussed the possibility of eventually decreasing the eleven manhole lid sizes from thirty-two inches to twenty-four inches. The sewer repair at Shaffer Insurance was completed.

Borough's Conference – Manager Hovenstine and Mayor McGranaghan attended the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs conference in May.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Solicitor Slivinski had no report.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A Planning Commission meeting will not be held in June.

COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

A Workshop meeting will not be held in June.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$18,073.30 and Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$124,338.73 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Councilman Musser to approve payment of the bills as presented, seconded by Vice President Bickhart, and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel
Borough Secretary