

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL  
COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 in the municipal building located at 42 West 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Herbert presided.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Andrew Bickhart and David Sauers were absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Manager Ed Hovenstine, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Mayor Joseph McGranaghan, Police Chief Bremigen, Jon Gray, James O'Brien, Frank Witt, Joan Witt and Brian Soles were present.

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

**PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman Rothermel to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2016 meeting of Council as presented, seconded by Councilman Musser, and approved by all.

**VISITORS:**

Fire Company – Jon Gray presented a fire engine replacement update and proposal to Council. The fire company was denied the AFG funding. The fire company also applied for state funding; waiting for approval.

**Fire Engine Vendors and Prices:**

KME-\$530,000.00,  
Stuphen-\$529,000.00,  
E-One-\$515,000.00,  
4 Guys-\$495,784.00,  
Seagrave-Unable to meet specifications.

The fire company recommended Spartan as the vendor, with a quote of \$495,784.00 (fire engine cost). Jon Gray reviewed the proposed budget of \$550,000.00, the total estimated cost of the project at \$515,784.00 (Fire Engine Cost - \$495,784.00 and Equipment Allowance - \$20,000.00). Fire Engine - \$231,651.00 amount due upon delivery of chassis, \$284,133.00 amount due upon completion of apparatus. Jon Gray reviewed the finance plan and income variables. The fire company requested approval from Council to approve moving forward with the proposed contract presented by 4-Guys Apparatus Manufacturing in order to beat the September 23, 2016 price increase deadline, and to authorize the release of capital funds towards the chassis payment in the amount of \$231,651.00, as well as authorized financing for the

remaining balance of \$284,133.00. The fire department agrees that this approval would be contingent upon the final agreement of the Council representatives, the Fire Chief, Fire Company President, and Fire Company Treasurer and with the most suitable finance option that accommodates the budgeted finances. A motion was made by Councilman Musser to approve the fire company's request to start the purchase process of the fire truck from 4 Guys in the amount of \$495,784.00, seconded by Councilman Benner, and approved by all.

President Herbert reported that the fire company loan was paid in full to the Borough on September 6, 2016.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Hummel Station, Water Quality Management Permitting – Hummel Station will have an industrial wastewater facility at the station.

Panda Hummel Station, Notice of Application, Amendment to Current SRBC Approval – Manager Hovenstine reported that various paperwork has been submitted for the second power plant at the Sunbury Generation site.

Snyder County Libraries – The Borough received correspondence from the Snyder County Libraries thanking the Borough for the 2016 contribution in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Councilman Benner requested an update on the possible water agreement with the power plant. Manager Hovenstine reported that the second power plant's estimated usage could be 150,000 gallons daily. The Manager suggested that the agreement should have a limited amount of daily usage.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Lead & Copper Testing Results – The Manager reviewed the 2016 results of the lead & copper testing with Council. Manager Hovenstine thanked all the Borough residents who participated in the lead & copper testing.

President Herbert reported that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at 7:00 PM to discuss the draft 2016 comprehensive plan. Council will consider final approval on Monday, October 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

**MAYORS REPORT:**

Mayor McGranaghan reviewed his response sent to Kratzer Oil expressing that the financial concerns be addressed. Fire Chief Gray reported that financial obligation has been paid to the fire department.

The Fire Chief questioned whether the Borough had an ordinance to bill property owners, when the fire department is dispatched to repetitious alarms (example 24 alarms at the Hampton Inn this year). Solicitor Slivinski stated that the state allows fire departments to bill for hazmat situations, but not for false alarms.

Mayor McGranaghan reviewed information on a quality of life ordinance and a clean it or lien it policy. The Mayor suggested that Council consider the quality of life ordinance.

Council reviewed the August police report.

**MANAGERS REPORT:**

2016 Streets Bid – 2016 Streets Project:

Five bids were received and opened at 4:10 PM today for the 2016 Streets Project:

New Enterprise	\$ 86,309.00
Jay Fulkroad	\$114,929.10
HRI, Inc.	\$113,284.00
Gutelius Excavating	\$142,475.00
Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc.	\$144,988.00

The Manager stated that New Enterprise is the former Eastern Industries. The street project consists of finishing Stayman Road, May Avenue, and Baldwin Blvd from Routes 11/15 past the shopping center.

A motion was made by Councilman Benner to award the bid for the 2016 Streets Project to the low bidder, New Enterprise with a bid of \$86,309.00, seconded by Councilman Herbert, and approved by all.

Pension MMO – The Police Pension Plan Obligation for 2017 is \$26,400.00 and the Non-Uniform Pension Plan Obligation for 2017 is \$32,949.00 due December 31, 2017. These obligations do not take into account any state aid.

Lighting Agreement – PPL needed the approved minutes of the Council meeting from August 1, 2016 to continue with the lighting agreement process.

Featured Water System, AWWA, - Manager Hovenstine reported that the American Water Works Association local chapter will be featuring the water treatment plant in a future article.

Verizon Proposal – Manager Hovenstine was contacted by Verizon Wireless proposing to install cell pads on the water tower below the ball of the water tower. The proposal would be \$1,000.00 for twenty-five years with a 2% increase every year and renewal every five years. The initial step would be Verizon Wireless approving the site.

Manager Hovenstine requested attending a utility assessment management summit on November 14<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup> in State College.

**SOLICITOR REPORT:**

The Solicitor had no report at this time.

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP:**

A Workshop meeting will not be held in September. A Workshop meeting will be held on October 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM to discuss the 2017 Budget. Manager Hovenstine requested information regarding the possible health insurance increase.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Manager Hovenstine reported that Russell Broschious will be submitting a final land development plan of property located at Baldwin Blvd and Routes 11/15. The plan would be to create two commercial lots. Each commercial lot owner will be responsible for submitting, to Shamokin Dam Borough, a comprehensive development plan for all building improvements including provisions for all traffic movements. This would allow for various types of options for development. Manager Hovenstine stated that the final land development plan has not changed from the preliminary land development plan, and questioned whether the Planning Commission could recommend approval of the final land development plan without an official meeting. Council agreed to contact all members requesting a response and ratify at the next Council meeting.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

General Fund bills in the amount of \$41,297.29 and Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$115,077.48 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Councilman Musser to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Councilman Rothermel, and approved by all.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel  
Borough Secretary