

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 in the municipal building located at 42 West 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Musser presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Sauers, Mark Benner, Andrew Bickhart, Kyle Jessick, Domenico Barillaro, and Don Musser were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Robert Lockcuff was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Manager Ed Hovenstine, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Mayor Joseph McGranaghan, Police Chief Timothy Bremigen, Glenn Hooks, Tom Boop, Joe Zokaites, Peter Gallagher, Dave Minnear, and Dr. Michael Dunigan were present.

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

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Barillaro to approve the Council minutes of August 6, 2018 as presented, seconded by Councilman Benner, and approved by all.

AUCTION BID RESULTS:

A public sale was held on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at the Borough Chambers, 42 W 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam, PA, of its interest, if any, in land to a certain tract of land situated in the Borough as being an extension of King Avenue into Weatherfield Development. Glenn Hooks bid an amount of \$500.00. A motion was made by Vice President Bickhart to accept the bid for the Borough’s interest, in the land, in the amount of \$500.00 from Glenn Hooks seconded by Councilman Barillaro, and approved by all.

VISITORS:

Sunbury Generation has an agreement with INSA, Peter Gallagher, who proposes to construct a new medical marijuana cultivating facility on the Sunbury Generation property. Kimbal Engineering will submit a subdivision and land development plan for the facility. Joe Zokaites discussed the East 11th Avenue entrance. Dr. Michael Dunigan expressed his concerns for the use of East 11th Avenue.

Dr. Michael Dunigan, ESCRA representative, discussed billing process for ESCRA and bylaws.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PMRS Notice – The Borough received correspondence from the Pension Municipal Retirement System stating that the total distress score is 0 (funding must be 90% or greater).

OTHER BUSINESS:

Pension MMO – The Non-Uniform Pension Plan Obligation to be paid by the Borough for 2019 is \$53,240.00 and the Police Pension Plan Obligation to be paid by the Borough for 2019 is \$14,175.00 due December 31, 2019. These obligations do not take into account any anticipated state aid reimbursement.

Resolution 2018-3, Non Uniform Pension Plan – A resolution that establishes the non-uniform employees withholding to the pension plan from the required 4 ½ % to 3% for year 2019 only. A motion was made by Councilman Benner to adopt Resolution 2018-3, Non Uniform Pension Plan, seconded by Vice President Bickhart, roll call vote: Bickhart-Yes, Sauers-Yes, Musser-Yes, Benner-Yes, Lockcuff-Absent, Barillaro-Yes, Jessick-Yes (6-Yes, 0-No).

Resolution 2018-4, Police Pension Plan – A resolution that waives the uniform employee contribution to the Police pension fund for the year 2019. A motion was made by Councilman Benner to adopt Resolution 2018-4, Police Pension Plan, seconded by Councilman Barillaro, roll call vote: Jessick-Yes, Bickhart-Yes, Sauers-Yes, Musser-Yes, Benner-Yes, Lockcuff-Absent, Barillaro-Yes (6-Yes, 0-No).

Electric Supplier Renewal – Manager Hovenstine reported that the electric supplier has renewed with Constellation New Energy, Inc. for three years.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor McGranaghan discussed with Council a disruptive rental property located at 80 Baldwin Boulevard. Police Chief Bremigen mentioned that the landlord ordinance will be reviewed by the Mayor and the Police Chief with possible amendments.

The Mayor and the Manager attended a meeting regarding PEMA, who stated that the emergency plan should be updated every two years. Mayor McGranaghan requested updating the emergency plan. Councilman Benner stated that the emergency operation plan is not a tactical plan; it is an informational plan. President Musser suggested updating the emergency plan and distributing to inform Council of the procedures. Councilman Barillaro suggested posting the procedures on the Borough's website.

Council reviewed the August police report.

The police department participated in an Aggressive driving grant from July 9, 2018 through August 31, 2018 with 105 stops, which resulted in 96 citations.

Manager Hovenstine stated that employee, Brady Bachman, witnessed a tractor trailer driving around Jack Treas Park, which damaged stop sign, road signs, and mailboxes. Brady Bachman took pictures, followed the tractor trailer, and reported the incident. The driver was arrested because of an out standing warrant.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Eleventh Avenue Signal Update – PENNDOT requested that the signal be secured with a guide wire, which would require approval from the property owner of Philips Motel. If the Borough

would move the signal pole to avoid being damaged, the Borough would need an easement from the property owner also.

Sunbury Generation Benefit Reminder – The Sunbury Generation Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.

Investments – Manager Hovenstine invested \$425,000.00 in the General Fund and the Water/Sewer Fund. A certificate of deposit will be due in September in the amount of \$95,000.00 in the General Fund. An FNB investment will be due in October in the amount of \$200,000.00 in both General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A Planning Commission meeting will be scheduled on Wednesday, September 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM to discuss the INSA land development project.

COUNCIL WORKSHOP:

A Workshop meeting will not be held in September.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$12,345.08, Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$69,195.43, and Fire Protection Fund in the amount of \$64,260.00 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Councilman Sauers to approve payment of the bills as presented, seconded by Vice President Bickhart, and approved by all.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council convened to executive session at 8:15 PM to discuss personnel issue and reconvened at 9:10 AM with no action was taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel
Borough Secretary