

PENNSBURY VILLAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES GENERAL MEETING

Pennsbury Village Community Room

Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 6:30pm

In attendance:

Borough Council:

Vic Carelle, Barb Cinpinski, Brenda George, Marita Haubrick, Nick Honchar, Steve Stecko, Carolyn Waldner

Joe Barker, Vacancy Board Chair

Lucy Harper, Mayor

Ashley Puchalski, Solicitor, Tucker Arnsberg Law Firm

Clint Reilly, Borough Engineer, NIRA

Absent: Rae Carol Wolff, Borough Manager

Steve Stecko called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS:

There were no comments or questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

General Meeting of March 14, 2023 – Motion to approve meeting minutes made by Carolyn Waldner and seconded by Barb Cinpinski. Motion passed.

Caucus Meeting of March 28, 2023 - Motion to approve meeting minutes made by Brenda George and seconded by Marita Haubrick. Nick Honchar abstained. Motion passed.

Accounts Payable as of March 31, 2023 - - Motion to approve meeting minutes made by Carolyn Waldner seconded by Brenda George. Motion passed.

OFFICIALS REPORT

Mayor: Lucy Harper reported a total of 482 police calls in March. She reported that Carnegie Borough has extended EMS services for 3 years to Scott Township. She will verify if Veterans will visit Pennsbury Village for the Memorial Day service.

President/Vice President: Steve Stecko, President, had nothing to report. Brenda George, Vice President, had nothing to report.

Manager: Steve Stecko reported that everything is up to date.

Real Estate Tax Collector: Steve Stecko reported that the statements have just been mailed.

Act 511 Tax Collector: Steve Stecko reported that \$7521.13 has been received.

Refuse Fee Collector: Steve Stecko reported that this has been turned over to Jordan Tax Service

Engineer: Clint Reilly had nothing to report

Solicitor: Ashley Puchalski had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works: Steve Stecko reported that there are potholes that need to be patched.

Parks and Recreation: Nick Honchar talked to Jeff Milarnik about the weeds in the entrance island. Jeff recommended using landscape fabric to control the growth of weeds, which would cost a couple hundred dollars more than normal. Steve Stecko told Nick to tell Jeff to put together a proposal for the fabric. Steve Stecko mentioned that there are bushes that need to be replaced in the entrance island.

Steve Stecko reported that there has been no movement concerning the playground grant.

Community Affairs: Barb Cinpinski is working on the newsletter. Barb asked if the Borough Council wants to plan a food drive for June. Carolyn Waldner asked about scheduling the roll-off dumpsters.

Condo Report: Carolyn Waldner will be taking notes at the April Condo meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 6:30pm

Public Safety: Lucy Harper is working on the flyer for the CPR workshop being held on Thursday, May 18 at 6:30pm in the Pennsbury Village Community Room

Finance: Nick Honchar talked to Fabian. The report has been filed. Nick is going to meet with Fabian to discuss the audit.

Inspection/Administrative: Marita Haubrick had nothing to report.

Information Technology: Brenda George reported that a new Borough Council picture needs to be taken for the Borough's website

OLD BUSINESS

STP NPDES Project – Grant Update: Nothing to report.

2023 Road Repair Project Update: Nothing to report.

Playground Grant Update: Nothing to report.

Real Estate Tax Collection Update: All responsibilities have been passed on to Jordan Tax Service

Refuse Fee Collection Update: All responsibilities have been passed on to Jordan Tax Service

NEW BUSINESS

Resignations: Motions was made by Carolyn Waldner and seconded by Barb Cinpinski to approve the resignation of Patricia Notaro on March 31, 2023. Motion passed.

Resignations: Motions was made by Nick Honchar and seconded by Marita Haubrick to approve the resignation of Maria Shamsei from the Borough Council on March 31, 2023. Motion passed.

Appointment: Motion was made by Brenda George and seconded by Marita Haubrick to approve the appointment of Vic Carelle to the Borough Council. Motion passed.

Resignation: Motion was made by Marita Haubrick and seconded by Barb Cinpinski to approve the resignation of Vic Carelle as the Borough Council Vacancy Board Chair. Motion passed.

Lucy Harper swore in Vic Carelle to the Borough Council

Appointment: Motion was made by Marita Haubrick and seconded by Barb Cinpinski to approve the appointment of Joe Barker as the Vacancy Board Chair. Motion passed.

Lucy Harper swore in of Joe Barker as the Vacancy Board Chair

Steve Stecko announced that the Office of Tax Collector will be filled in 30 days.

OPEN DISCUSSION WITH COUNCIL – Nothing was discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

Bob Wable suggested that the Council consider having the entrance island weeds chemically treated. Lucy Harper explained that the chemicals are highly toxic and may be harmful to dogs. Bob suggested that the light poles in the entrance island are weathered and asked if they could be painted.

Mary Lou Einloth asked about the financial feasibility of using Jordan Tax Service. Steve Stecko explained that Jordan Tax Service costs 1/3 of what the Borough used to pay for tax collection services, and that the Borough is saving a lot by using Jordan.

??? Carelle pointed out that there are cracks in the surface of the basketball court. Clint Reilly mentioned that the acrylic surface was put on about 10 years ago. Steve Stecko asked Clint to take a look at it.

Motion was made by Marita Haubrick and seconded by Carolyn Waldner to end the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting ended at 7:08pm.S