

**BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 18, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Starn at 7:00 p.m., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was announced that the meeting was being recorded, and the roll was called.

Council Members

Bill Starn - Present

Jim Turnbull - Present

Connie Klein - Absent

Bryan Landman - Present

Fran Levinger - Absent

Sue Pokego - Present

Tim Weisenburger - Present

Mayor

Ron Tyger - Absent

Officers

Solicitor Frank Paganie - Present

Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath - Present

Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle - Present

Minutes: Bryan Landman moved that the Council approve the minutes of the June 20, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Tim Weisenburger, and approved by voice vote.

Police Report: Chief David Stanislawski presented the monthly report for June, 2018. There were 19 calls for service, including three sessions of traffic monitoring. The Chief addressed a question about large trucks in the Borough, and said that the "Suspicious Person" mentioned on June 2 was someone going door-to-door soliciting business.

Fire Report: Chief Medlin was absent, and did not file a report.

Visitors: Ruthanne Bentley of 509 4th Street encouraged residents to participate in National Night Out on August 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. She also said that she hoped to have another issue of "A View from the Heights" published by the end of September. In response to a question from Jim Turnbull, Ruthanne said that publishing the View costs about \$70, and that the Ladies Auxiliary has been paying for it. Sue Pokego will ask the President of the Auxiliary, Fran Levinger, if she has any objection to the Council paying for the next issue, since the View is a good vehicle for disseminating community information.

Solicitor: Mr. Paganie presented a draft of a Solicitation Ordinance. The Council discussed having solicitors carry identification, cost of permits, who may solicit and for what, a do-not-solicit list, time limits, and other items. Mr. Paganie will revise the document, and bring it back to the Council for further discussion and approval.

Code Enforcement: Dawna Pella - Absent. The report was read by President Bill Starn.

Communications: (1) A notice of an insurance audit. (2) A letter from Sealmaster announcing a price increase for road tar. (3) A collection notice from Euler Hermes, agent for Intertech. Jack received a call from the CEO of Intertech, Jason Lhota, who said that he had stopped the collection effort, and that the person handling our account was no longer with the

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company. He apologized for the misunderstandings, and expressed hope that we could still do business.

Tax Collector: Nadine Galbreath - The Borough deposited \$8,241.50 in real estate taxes in June.

Secretary/Treasurer: Jack Doyle - (1) The Borough received \$5,760.04 in Earned Income Taxes, \$3,129.24 in Real Estate Transfer Taxes, \$203.45 in state police fines, \$47.25 in per capita taxes, \$103.17 in District Court fines, \$884.32 in delinquent real estate taxes, and \$180 in dye test and lien letter fees in June. (2) The new website is working well, and we continue to add content. (3) We have learned that the Royal Oak recycling box will accept not only paper, but cardboard (even corrugated), and hard-bound books. Shredded paper can also be deposited, but should be placed in plastic bags, securely tied, so that the paper shreds do not blow around as they are transferred. In addition, our agreement with Royal Oak says that we will be paid quarterly for paper they pick up. We will continue to use the Beaver County box for corrugated cardboard as much as possible. (4) The Council agreed that they are not interested in using the Nextdoor online site for disseminating Borough information. (5) The Police Department has been given forms to use for citations in the Borough, which can be returned to the Borough Office with the proper fines.

Public Safety Committee: Bryan Landman - Bryan mentioned young boys lighting "snakes" on the picnic table in the pavilion. Members of the Council remarked about the low number of fireworks used around Independence Day, and Caren Turnbull applauded the Police for their handling of an incident near her house.

Buildings and Grounds Committee: Jim Turnbull - Jim brought to the attention of the Council the poor condition of the siding on the Borough Building. He estimated a cost of \$2,000 for the materials, and will get estimates/proposals for installation. He estimated a cost of \$3,500 to \$4,500 installed.

Streets and Sewers Committee: Jim Turnbull mentioned the poor state of the street signs in the Borough. Figuring that stop signs should take priority over no parking signs, Bryan reported that he has some refurbished stop signs, but needs to reset a number of the posts. Bill Starn spoke on the fact that the use of Hillside Avenue is prohibited for all activities. Bryan spoke about using Sealmaster's tar machine again, and estimated we would use two pallets of tar.

Recreation Committee: Connie Klein - Absent, no report.

Recycling and Refuse Committee: Bryan and Jack discussed having a Valley Waste supervisor come to the Borough after the last meeting to see damage done to alleys. The trash haulers seem to be more careful since then, but we need to follow up. Bryan then discussed the fact that he is unable to get the leaf machine past the trees on Central Alley. The residents of 710 Ninth Avenue will be contacted about trimming.

Budget and Finance Committee: Tim Weisenburger - Nothing to report.

Rental Property and Maintenance Inspection Committee: Fran Levinger - Absent. All rental fees have been paid. Bill asked if properties need to be re-inspected when a tenant moves out.

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New Business: - Jack spoke on the need to update the cell tower and zoning ordinances due to the coming of Distributed Antenna Systems.

Old Business: - All matters discussed previously.

Mayor - Mayor Tyger - Absent.

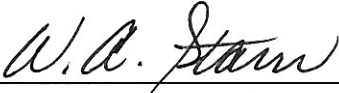
COG - Bill Starn - discussed previously.

Emergency Management Coordinator - Bryan Landman - Bryan discussed being called out to help during a microburst.


Announcements - Our building inspector is going to be out for several weeks, and we will be working directly with MDIA in the interim.

Fiscal and Contractual - Bryan Landman moved that the current bills be approved or ratified as presented. Tim Weisenburger seconded, and the motion carried.

Adjournment: Moved by Bryan Landman, seconded by Sue Pokego, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 15, 2018.



William Starn, President



Jack D. Doyle, Secretary