

**BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2019**

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 -- Absent
Bryan Landman -- Present
Fran Levinger -- Absent
Sue Pokego -- Absent
Tim Weisenburger -- Present
Andrew Why -- Present

Mayor

Ron Tyger -- Absent

Officers

Solicitor Frank Paganie -- Present
Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath -- Present
Police Chief David Stanislowski -- Present
Fire Chief -- Jason Medlin
Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle -- Present

Minutes -- Bryan Landman moved that the Council approve the minutes of the January 16, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by Tim Weisenburger, and approved by voice vote.

Police Report -- Chief David Stanislowski presented the monthly report for January, 2019. There were 16 calls for service, including seven sessions of snow plowing.

Fire Report -- Chief Medlin reported that there were seven calls in January, including one in Patterson Heights due to a carbon monoxide detector activation (no CO was found). Trainings with the other fire companies in the Blackhawk School District are scheduled to resume on February 26. The Fire Department has received a grant in the amount of \$12,007.52 for upgrading the Pump and Light Bar on Engine 2, bringing the total of grants awarded to \$58,419.83 since Jason has been the Fire Chief.

Visitors -- No visitors requested time to speak.

Solicitor -- Mr. Paganie had nothing to report.

Code Enforcement -- Dawna Pella was absent, and her report was read by Bill Starn. It was also noted by Council that Ms. Pella should contact the owners of 308 7th Street Extension regarding an accumulation of leaves and other debris along the roadway.

Communications -- (1) A letter from H.A. Thomson, our Workers' Comp carrier, confirming a visit on February 7, and that no recommendations were made as a result of the visit. (2) A notice of training in the use of License Plate Cameras. (3) A request for a donation from the Blackhawk High School Baseball Program. (4) A copy of the Police Report filed on January 28

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when a tractor-trailer mistakenly entered Patterson Heights, and damaged property in several locations.

Tax Collector -- Nadine Galbreath made no deposits in January, but has deposited \$1,306.80 as of this date in February.

Secretary/Treasurer -- Jack Doyle reported: (1) The Borough received \$8,766.22 in earned income tax, \$928.62 in real estate tax, \$21.00 in per capita tax, \$10.50 in delinquent per capita tax, \$80.00 in dye test/no lien letter fees, \$686.00 in real estate transfer tax, \$25 in traffic fines, \$11,315.92 in franchise fees from Comcast, \$2,247.71 in amusement tax from the Beaver Valley Golf Club, \$12,744.76 from BFMA (deposited in the Sanitary Sewer account), and \$559.24 in interest (spread across five accounts), since the last Council meeting. (2) Our 2018 Recycling Report shows 26.4 tons of mixed recyclables (Valley Waste), 9.04 tons of corrugated cardboard, 2.36 tons of mixed paper, 87.33 tons of yard waste, and 53.33 tons of leaves.

Public Safety Committee -- Bryan Landman reminded residents not to place trash cans on the streets. The Borough will begin sending reminders before more serious action is taken.

Buildings and Grounds Committee -- Nothing to report.

Streets and Sewers Committee -- It was reported that people who have sump pumps discharging onto the streets are in violation of the Borough Ordinance, and will be notified as such. Bryan Landman noted a water main break beneath the pavement near the intersection of 8th Avenue and 5th Street. BFMA will be notified.

Recreation Committee -- Chuck Webb has been contracted to provide entertainment for Community Day on August 3.

Recycling and Refuse Committee -- The Borough intends to apply for a DNR recycling grant for the purchase of a new leaf vacuum, expansion and upgrade of the parking lot north of the municipal building, and the construction of a lean-to for protection of the leaf vac. Bryan Landman moved that we contact Widmer Engineering for assistance in determining the cost of the upgrades and construction. Andrew Why seconded, and the motion carried.

Budget and Finance Committee -- Tim Weisenburger -- Work on the 2018 audit is nearing completion.

Rental Property and Maintenance Inspection Committee -- Nothing to report.

New Business -- (1) The problem of large trucks mistakenly entering the Borough was discussed at length. It was decided that we would purchase and install new signs at all entrances (8), with the intention of stopping the trucks. (2) The Code Enforcement Agreement with Dawna Pella expires before the end of February. Council decided to proceed on a month-to-month basis with Ms. Pella. (3) The Council was presented with information regarding the potential for larger interest payments than we are currently receiving from PNC. It was decided to forego any action until next month. (4) The Borough has been offered a used John Deere lawn tractor, which costs about \$2,200 new, and has less than 40 hours of operation. Tim Weisenburger moved that we offer \$1,200, Andrew Why seconded. The motion passed, and Bryan Landman will make the offer.

Old Business -- One item already discussed.

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Mayor -- Nothing to report.

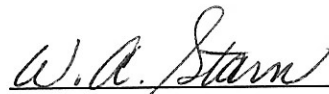
COG -- Nothing to report.

Emergency Management -- Nothing to report.

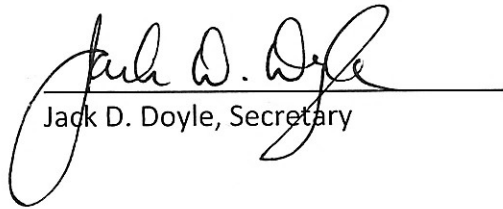
Announcements – None.

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

Adjournment -- Moved by Bryan Landman, seconded by Andrew Why, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2019.



William Starn, President



Jack D. Doyle, Secretary