

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2020

This meeting was held in the regular meeting room in the Municipal Building, with attendees maintaining space between them due to the coronavirus outbreak. 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.

Attendance -- Council Members present included President Bill Starn, Andy Briggs, Bryan Landman, Jan Livingston, and Laura Trehar. Other officials present included Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle. Police Chief Dave Stanislowski arrived for the meeting, but received a police call just as he arrived.

Minutes – Bryan Landman moved that Council approve the minutes of the October 21, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Andy Briggs. The motion to approve the minutes was passed.

Police Report – Bill Starn presented the monthly report for October, 2020. There were 3 calls for service, in addition to 75 sessions of monitoring traffic. One citation was issued.

Fire Report – Bill Starn presented the report for October, 2020. There were 13 calls for service, none in Patterson Heights. Santa Claus will be chauffeured around Patterson Heights on December 12th from 5 to 7 pm. The firetrucks will be followed by a parade of decorated cars. Treat bags will be provided for the kids. Children are asked to have flashlights or glow sticks so that Santa will know to stop. There is nothing new to report on the proposed merger with the Township VFD.

Visitors – Evan Autenreith addressed possible changes to his property on 6th Street. It was agreed that we will have to check maps for sewage lines, and consult the solicitor. Council agreed that we need to keep a right-of-way through the property in case work on the sewer line should become necessary.

Solicitor – Mr. Paganie was unable to attend the meeting.

Code Enforcement – One abandoned vehicle remains. It needs a current inspection.

Correspondence – Council received a letter from a property maintenance company requesting information on rental properties in the Borough. It was decided not to respond.

Tax Collector – Nadine Galbreath reported that she had made deposits of \$2,816 in October.

Secretary/Treasurer – Receipts were down in the previous month, but the Borough received new statement of Total Assessed Valuation which showed an increase of \$35,800 from last year, the total now being \$7,269,563 as of January 1, 2021.

Public Safety Committee – Beaver County government is experiencing high levels of COVID-19 infection.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Nothing to report.

Streets and Sewers Committee – We have proposed another meeting with Widmer Engineering to review their proposal to slip line our sanitary sewers, and do other repairs. The completion of two large loans currently being paid, plus the addition of a new USDA loan will free up enough funds to make the project possible.

Recreation Committee – Nothing to report.

Recycling and Refuse Committee – We need to have Widmer put together a bid package for the recycling area upgrade.

Budget and Finance Committee – Finance Committee Chairperson Andy Briggs presented a budget for 2021. After discussion, Bryan Landman moved to advertise the budget, and Andy Briggs seconded. Council approved. Bryan Landman moved to maintain the property tax rate at 24 mills. Andy Briggs seconded, and Council approved.

Rental Property and Maintenance Inspection Committee – Nothing to report.

New Business – Nothing to report.

Old Business – (1) The new police contract was reviewed. Bryan Landman moved that the contract be accepted. Jan Livingston seconded, and Council approved.

Mayor – Nothing to report.

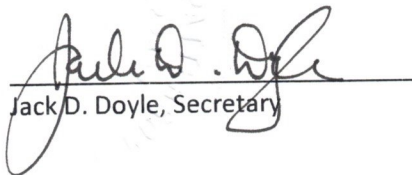
COG – Nothing to report.

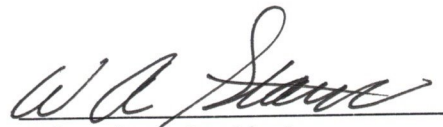
Emergency Management – Nothing to report.

Announcements – Council acknowledged the passing of lifelong resident, Bob Amalia.

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

Adjournment – Bryan Landman motioned for adjournment. Andy Briggs seconded, and the meeting ended at 7:54 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, December 16, 2020.


Jack D. Doyle, Secretary


William Starn, President