

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Council Vice-President Jim Turnbull 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 attending included Bryan Landman, Jan Livingston, and Rich Siget. Other officials in attendance included Mayor Regis Luger, Assistant Police Chief Nick Bathgate, Firefighter Charlie West, Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath, and Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle.

Agenda – Bryan Landman moved that the Agenda be approved as presented. Jan Livingston seconded, and the Agenda was approved.

Jim Turnbull announced that the Executive Session would be held at the end of the meeting, and that no action or votes would be taken in the Session.

Minutes – Bryan Landman moved that the minutes from August 17, 2022, be approved. Rich Siget seconded, and Council approved.

Police Report – The July Police Report showed 73 calls for service, most of which were traffic monitoring. There were two criminal arrests, one for public drunkenness, and one for theft by deception. There was one traffic citation issued. Trick-or-Treating will be on October 31 from 6 to 8 pm, and as usual, the police and firemen will be out monitoring.

Fire Report – The Fire Company responded to 9 calls in August. Charlie reported that Jason is working with the company that manufactured the five wireless surveillance cameras to correct a glitch in their operation.

Visitors – No one sought recognition.

Solicitor – Mr. Paganie had a couple of items which he would discuss in Executive Session.

Code Enforcement – There has been little activity since the August meeting. The Fire Department has offered to help with the overhang at 702 4th Street, and a request will be made from Home Depot for materials, once it is determined what will be required. There is nothing new on 518 4th Street. We have received estimates for removing dead trees on properties on 7th Avenue, and the owners will need to be contacted.

Correspondence – None.

Tax Collector – Nadine Galbreath reported that \$2,235 was deposited in August. There is \$11,559.67 still to collect of the 2022 Borough taxes. Nadine also reported that Council will be required to pass a resolution stating that taxpayers who change residences will not be deemed delinquent for that year due to paperwork being delayed.

Bill Starn arrived for the meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Council was directed to the report submitted, and it was noted that the Borough received the second half of its ARPA money, in the amount of \$31,342.

Public Safety Committee – No report.

Buildings and Grounds – No report.

Streets and Sewers – Curb painting has been difficult because some residents allow grass to grow over their curbs, and it is very time consuming to remove it. More discussion centered on grass and other debris being blown into the streets and not cleaned up. Council members will begin reporting the offenders to the Borough Secretary, who will follow up appropriately according to the Code of Ordinances.

Bryan also reported that Tri-State Maintenance has run its cameras through our sewers along Darlington Road. They have provided video, but we have not had time to review it. Also, a man hole collar at 6th Street and 9th Avenue has been damaged and needs to be replaced. According to Bryan, the damage was caused by heavy truck traffic.

Recreation – Jan Livingston announced a date of October 29 for a Halloween Movie Night.

Recycling – Royal Oak has been contacted about emptying the paper retriever.

Budget and Finance – No report. Work on next year's budget is due to begin.

Rental Property – \$550 in rental fees has been collected, and we are still in the process of gathering information on the renters. Several owners have decided to no longer rent their properties.

New Business – Nothing to discuss.

Old Business – Regis Luger has agreed to chair the committee planning a new fire house and municipal building. Bard Hendry has suggested using a new building material which combines Styrofoam and concrete. This material has great insulating properties.

Mayor – No additional report.

COG – No report.

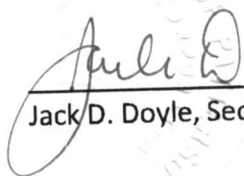
Emergency Management – No report.

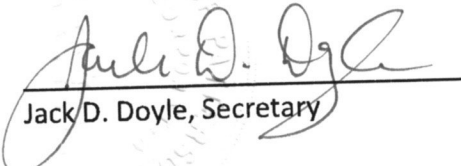
Announcements – Jack announced the office would be closed for several days as he goes out of town. Council members are directed to a webinar regarding MS4.

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Fiscal and Contractual – Bryan Landman moved that bills be paid or ratified as presented. Rich Siget seconded, and Council approved.

Adjournment – Bryan Landman moved that the meeting be adjourned, followed by an Executive Session during which no action will be taken. Rich Siget seconded, and Council approved, with the meeting ending at 7:48 p.m. The next regular meeting will be October 19, 2022, at 7 p.m.





Jack D. Doyle, Secretary



Jim Turnbull, Vice-President