

Union Dale Borough regular meeting Minutes

Tuesday May 13, 2025

Pledge of allegiance

Attendance: Donna Tedesco, Tom Yale, Bill Wolfe, Joe McAndrew. (VIA phone is Diane Gomola. Late arrival to meeting is Kevin Saam.

Public comment: each person shall have 5 minutes to present their concerns to the council. Only residents of the Borough of Union Dale or those paying taxes to the borough may make comments. NONE

Minutes from the previous meeting

Reviewed, approved, sealed into minute book. Motion to approve minutes made by Bill, 2nd by Donna All in favor. Motion carries.

Correspondence:

- Ed Jones April statement
- Email- SLFRF ongoing
- Susq Cnty Commissioners- grant notice
- Email SLFRF refunding unused Covid funds \$39.55
- Bob Bates- invoice
- Astra Insurance Liability policy -deductible increase
- DGK Ins- Bond renewal- Secretary/Treasurer
- HNB Securties info
- Cettificate of insurance for Wodock Construction LLC & Brian Zembrzycki
- SWIF policy- \$64.00 credit
- Susq Cnty Consevation District -Certificate of donation

Receipts:

- Berkheimer (x2) \$612.35 & \$388.65
- Svecz April tax collection \$2,984.27
- Edward Jones CD maturity Interest check \$2,028.17
- Gen MM interest 4/30/25 \$38.99
- LF MM 4/30/25 \$2.62

Treasurer's report :

- General Fund \$95,076.72
- General Fund MM \$55,854.36
- Liquid Fuels Checking: \$14,383.99

- Liquid Fuels MM: \$4,913.51
- Sewer CD \$56,019.50
- HNB CD \$102,787.94* (interest was rolled over)
- Edward Jones- \$119,000.00

Bills:

- PPL auto pay \$657.84
- PPL auto pay \$25.15
- Debit card \$40.00 PSATS- SLFRF course secretary
- Debit Card- DCED Q1 UCC permits \$4.50
- #1704 VOID
- #1705 Joe Svecz April- RE tax Commission Ck \$149.21
- #1706 Diane Gomola- May wages \$445.14
- #1707 Bob Bates invoice # 478 \$50.00
- #1708 DGK Ins \$325.00 treasurer bond
- #1709 Carol Hale 11.5 hours audit \$ 115.00
- #1710 Joe Svecz -April late payments commission \$16.34
- #1711 Don Bennet- Spring Code rounds \$100.00
- #1712 Eileen Saam Auditor wage 2.5 hrs \$25.00

*AnnMarie notes that the pay compensation for auditor's is in error. The secretary will confirm from past minutes the new compensation rate and void checks #1709 & 1712. The secretary will re issue new checks to auditor's.

* Donna states she feels the compensation we just raised for Code Enforcement Officer is still not sufficient. (check #1711) Open discussion. Motion by Donna "Effective immediately Code enforcement compensation will be \$250/ spring & \$250/ fall rounds, with any return visits tracked at \$35,00 / hour." 2nd by Tom. All in favor. Motion carries. Diane will void above check #1711 and re issue newly passed compensation check to the Code Officer.

Donna makes motion "to pay all bills except #1709, 1711, & 1712." 2nd by AnnMarie. All in favor. Motion carries.

Mayor's report: None

Committee reports

- Bill Wolfe- Estimates for chip & seal Darrow & Church Streets is \$50K per street but only has limited lifespan. A more permanent solution is to chip, seal and include millings for \$75k per road. Open discussion. Council has decided to table this project as East Mountain Road has more pressing issues.
- Joe McAndrew- East Mountain Rd- Estimate for excavating & general road maintenance prior to grading & rolling. A member met with contractors at East Mountain Rd for a survey of multiple issues complicated by the recent heavy rains

last week. Road repairs necessary prior to the coordination with Pleasant Mount for the annual grading and rolling, needs to happen ASAP. Open discussion. Council decides to go with an estimate from Prince excavation. Joe asks the council to consider a contingency of an additional \$1,200 incase more stone or work needed at ditches. Motion made by Joe "to accept Prince bid of \$6,300 with an additional \$1,200 contingency for East Mountain Road." 2nd by Tom. All in favor. Motion carries.

Unfinished business:

- Short term rentals- Open discussion. The borough wants to follow all state and county regulations for the safety & protection of the local community. Donna makes a motion to "have our Solicitor prepare a short term rental Ordinance for the borough and have a legal add placed for the public to be notified of intent to pass at June meeting." 2nd by Tom. All in favor. Motion carries. Secretary asks for clarification of proper verbiage to put in the ad for FC News. Council advises Diane the Solicitor will comprise the ad. Joe sends the solicitor notice. Diane will follow up as next meeting is June 2.
- PPL work orders Street lights- Tom states utility pole light still out at the fire house. Tom asks secretary to re send a copy of map from PPL on our borough light locations.

New Business

- Act 205 report completed
- Spring code enforcement rounds are completed.

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Adjournment: 7:45 PM motion to adjourn made by Bill, 2nd by Donna. All in favor.

Next regular council meeting

Monday June 2, 2025

6:30 PM