

## October 7, 2019

Council met in regular session at the Union Dale Borough Hall with President Patti Cino presiding. Members present were Donna Tedesco, Ann Marie Saam, Tom Yale, Mike Fortuner and Mayor Jim Heller. Presentation to the flag was performed.

Minutes from the previous meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and a motion to approve them was made by Donna Tedesco and seconded by Ann Marie Saam with all in favor.

Council had agreed to advertise for bids for snow plowing and applying anti-skid to borough roadways prior to meeting, and said agreement was confirmed at the start of the meeting.

### Correspondence-

- Council received notice from Susquehanna County of a realty transfer tax distribution in the amount of \$49 for the transfer of property owned by the late Doris Young.
- Council has received a current certificate of insurance for Brian Zembrzycki Excavating.
- The CD at First National Bank renewed on October 6, 2019. Next renewal date is April 6, 2020.
- Council received a thank you for their donation to the Area Agency on Aging.
- Council was notified that the 2020 estimated liquid fuel allocation is \$14,834.74. The Borough must be certified by February 13, 2020 to receive the payment on March 1, 2020.
- The PSAB Fall Leadership Conference will be held in State College from October 11 to the 13<sup>th</sup> if anyone is interested in attending.
- Council received a pamphlet on pipeline safety and land use, as well as an updated edition of the resource pamphlet Forest Management and Timber Harvesting in PA.

### Persons to be heard-

- Debbie Gillette, Executive Administrator of Northeast Inspection Consultants (NEIC), located in Child's PA, stated that her company has received some calls from borough residents who could not reach Lyndon Wormuth. She provided council with paperwork explaining their company, what they do, and their fee schedules. Donna Tedesco inquired as to whether NEIC could do everything that Lyndon could do, and was told that they could actually do more, as they were certified to inspect both residential and commercial buildings whereas Lyndon was only certified to inspect residential properties. Mike noted that most municipalities have two inspectors that residents can choose from.

### Monies Received-

Act 205 Fire Relief Payment	\$1,494.14
Liquor License Refund	\$150.00

Treasurer's Report-

General Fund Balance-Money Market	\$140,282.02
General Fund Balance-Checking	\$6,565.94
Liquid Fuel Fund Balance-Money Market	\$34,565.03
Liquid Fuel Fund Balance-Checking	\$215.00
6 Month CD Balance @ FNB (Renews 10/6/19)	\$6,954.97
14 Month CD Balance (Renews 3/17/20)	\$107,426.07
Sewer CD (Renews 3/10/20)	\$46,983.39

Bills Paid-

1096 PPL	\$1.74
1097 Briechele	\$562.50
1098 FC News	\$14.00
1099 PPL	\$593.13
1100 Tammy O'reilly	\$231.84
1101 VOID	\$0.00
1102 Suit-Kote	\$3,024.00
1103 U.S. Treasury	\$635.92

Tom Yale noted that the Act 205 Fire Relief Payment was actually for the Union Dale Fire Company and council would have to write a check to them for that amount.

A motion to accept the receipts and treasurer's report and pay all bills was made by Mike Fortuner, and seconded by Donna Tedesco, with all in favor.

Committee Reports-

- No Committee reports were reported.

Unfinished Business-

- Calcium was applied to East Mountain Road by Suit-Kote Co. on September 11 for a total cost of \$3024.00
- It was learned that Lyndon Wormuth has been ill and in the hospital, and that Bob Bates was filling in for him. It was noted that because Mr. Bates has no contract with the borough, he is unable to make inspections for borough residents.
- Sandy Houck with the Borough Association was questioned about withholding tax for council members and suggested that council consult with an accountant. Mike Fortuner provided

Secretary O'Reilly with information indicating that any elected official must have taxes withheld regardless of income.

- It was agreed that Secretary O'Reilly would research when the sewer fund was adopted for the Borough.
- At a previous meeting, Bob Tedesco Jr. had brought up the fact that the work done on East Mountain Road had affected his property. Tom Yale indicated that he would like to wait until spring to assess the issue, and Donna Tedesco agreed.

New Business-

- Secretary O'Reilly indicated that she had worked with former secretary Slick on filing and paying the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter withholding tax.
- Discussion was opened on a tentative budget for 2020.
- Mike Fortuner made a motion that council contract with NEIC as a second inspection company. The motion was seconded by Donna Tedesco with all in favor. President Cino questioned whether NEIC would be able to check to see whether the resident who put up a pole barn on Darrow Street had obtained a building permit. Mike Fortuner indicated that he had provided a neighbor of the resident with his phone number to pass along to the resident, but has not heard back from him yet.
- It was agreed that Don Bennet should make rounds through the Borough to ensure that everyone was in compliance with borough rules and ordinances.
- A sealed bid for snow plowing and applying anti-skid was received from Brian Zembrzycki Excavating and opened in front of council. The bid was for \$68 for plowing snow/applying anti-skid/ and a combination of both. A motion was made by Ann Marie Saam to accept the bid and seconded by President Cino with all in favor.

Motion to adjourn was made by Donna Tedesco and seconded by Mike Fortuner, with all in favor.

Next Meeting November 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

