

YOE BOROUGH  
150 NORTH MAPLE STREET  
YOE, PA 17313

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on February 6, 2024, at the Yoe Borough Municipal Building, 150 N. Maple Street, Yoe, PA 17313. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Sanford at 7:02 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members in attendance:

George Howett

Seth Noll

Tyler Sprenkle

Samuel Snyder

William Bankoske

Ryan Harper

Others in attendance

Seth Springer, Solicitor

Diana Dvorak, Secretary-Treasurer

John Klinedinst, Engineer

John Sanford, Mayor

Andy Warntz, Republic Services

**Minutes**

Councilman Snyder asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes from the prior meeting. Councilman Howett made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Sprenkle. All in favor, minutes accepted.

### **Visitor's Report**

Andy Warntz was in attendance to answer any questions regarding any potential changes to trash service. Councilman Snyder and Mr. Warntz met about a week ago to discuss expectations, changes and concerns. Toters are being pushed industry wide, but definitely industry wide. If Yoe would refuse to incorporate toters most likely Republic Services would not bid on the upcoming refuse contract. Mr. Warntz cannot speak for Penn Waste. Republic Services does offer toters in three different sizes: 35 gallon, 65 gallon and 95 gallon sizes. 95 gallon size is standard, but a smaller size can be requested. Yoe Borough currently has unlimited pick up, this most likely would be an issue, but two toters could be provided for in the contract. Councilman Snyder said there were a considerable amount of toters in use in the Borough already. There are some areas that toters would not be feasible, workarounds would be put in place for those areas. Discussion continued. Mayor Sanford asked if Republic would consider changes taking place in stages i.e.. no loose bags after one year. Solicitor Springer encouraged Republic to consider this option. Mr. Warntz reiterated that they offered different size toters and that Republic would educate residents via mailers prior to any contractual changes taking place.

### **Executive Session**

Councilman Bankoske made a motion to go into executive session at 7:37. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:10. The upcoming garbage contract was discussed. Councilman Harper made a motion instructing the Solicitor Springer too prepare two bid specs; one using toters the other using the current contract terms but to extend to five years. Seconded by Councilman Sprenkle, all in favor, motion carried.

### **Engineer's Report**

Report provided. The W Broad Street settlement was videoed by York Township. The pipes are all fine. There is a significant leak by the sanitary sewer pipe that comes in down at the manhole at the intersection that will need to be fixed. This was a PVC pipe and will need to be repaired. Groundwater is getting into the sanitary sewer pipe; sewage is not leaking out. Discussion continued. Mr. Klinedinst thinks we should start by checking inside the pipe first and seeing why it is leaking and then go from there. Discussion continued.

There is no schedule yet for this year's sanitary sewer maintenance. The Borough did receive a small water and sewer grant, but we are still waiting on an agreement.

The Third Street restoration - Columbia gas came back with a settlement amount of \$10,800. Mr. Klinedinst recommended that we take the offer. Councilman Noll made a motion that we take the Columbia Gas offer. Seconded by Councilman Sprenkle, all in favor, motion carried.

### **Solicitor's Report**

Report provided. Samantha Craley did agree to be a successor in the case of an emergency. Solicitor Springer has started the Municipal Employment Series.

Solicitor Springer was unable to find anything regarding the use of Sewer Funds for General Fund purposes. This would be different if there was an authority. That being said, the finances should be managed appropriately.

The consensus of Council is for Solicitor Springer to reach out to recently converted Boroughs to toters to see what the Borough can expect.

### **Maintenance Report**

Report provided. The mowing contract is good until the end of 2024. Messicks came out to fix the skid loader. A recall part was replaced, but that does not eliminate the seat pressure switch, the issue could be the size of the individual sitting in the seat, the sensors may not be triggered, also if the seat gets too cold the sensors may not be activated.

Councilman Howett asked if we are supposed to be salting Main St the way we are. Main Street is being salted and then plowed off. Councilman Claycomb is not here tonight, but Councilman Howett will talk to him about it.

### **Zoning Officer's Report**

Nothing to report this month.

### **EMA Report**

Mayor Sanford will attend a flash flooding seminar. Generator project is still being worked on.

### **Mayor's Report**

Report provided. Bob Strobeck approached Mayor Sanford about the stones at the park, but the Borough still plans on using them. There are a few streetlights out, but Met-Ed has not been responding. Discussion on using State Police in conjunction with Regional, possibly during the slower hours.

**Secretary's Report**

Dam billing has been sent out. The rental inspection letters are being sent out.

**Page 4****Unfinished Business**

There is no unfinished business.

**New Business**

There is no new business.

**Payment of the Bills**

Councilman Sprenkle made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Noll. All in favor, bills to be paid.

**Adjournment**

Councilman Sprenkle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24PM. Seconded by Councilman Snyder, all in favor, meeting adjourned.