

YOE BOROUGH
150 NORTH MAPLE STREET
YOE, PA 17313

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on May 7, 2024, at the Yoe Borough Municipal Building, 150 N. Maple Street, Yoe, PA 17313. The meeting was called to order by Council President Samuel Snyder at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members in attendance:

Seth Noll

Tyler Sprenkle

Samuel Snyder

William Bankoske

Ryan Harper

Dustin Claycomb

George Howett

Others in attendance

Seth Springer, Solicitor

John Sanford, Mayor

Chris Kraft, Engineer

Michael Diem, Resident

The secretary is not in tonight. Councilman Bankoske will be acting Secretary for the evening.

Minutes

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

Visitor's Report

Michael Diem was in attendance tonight to bring up a few things. There are a few trees on the common area on E Pennsylvania Ave that are hanging low and scrapping his vehicle. Mr Diem is requesting we cut these back. Mr. Diem also wanted to inquire about the refuse contract. Councilman Snyder said we requested bids and they are due by the end of this month. The bids will be opened at the June meeting. Discussion continued.

Engineer's Report

Report provided. Sanitary Sewer Systems - we are at the end of a four year plan. There are some action items for the roads. Councilman Claycomb and Mr. Kraft did a walk through to determine base repair needs on the 2024 project areas. An inspection report has been provided, discussion on report. We have chip seal for scheduled for both 2024 and 2025. Mr. Kraft suggested that we all the chip seal for both years in 2024. It would increase the cost for 2024, but should decrease the 2025 total. 2025 would be the year we do the base repair. Councilman Noll made a motion that we do all of the chip repair on the four streets this year and move base repair to 2025 with the expedition of areas noted on report that need repair this year. Seconded by Councilman Sprenkle. All in favor, motion carried. Councilman Noll made a motion that we spend the \$750 for the Local Share grant resubmission for W Third Street. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Snyder asked that any resolutions required for grants are requested as soon as possible so Councilman Snyder can prepare them and add them to the agenda. The estimate to resubmit the multimodal grant is \$1600. Mr. Kraft made two suggestions, that we reach out to our State Senator, and also having a Rabbit Transit stop in the Borough could possibly increase our chances of getting this grant. Discussion of need and possible locations continued. Mayor Sanford has a contact at Rabbit Transit; he will reach out to that individual and report back to Council. Councilman Harper made a motion for Mayor Sanford to reach out to his contact at Rabbit Transit, in order to help facilitate a possible bus stop in Yoe Borough to aid in a possible multimodal grant. Seconded by Councilman Sprenkle. All in favor, motion carried.

The CDBG grant is still under review. There are a few other pending grants.

Sewer Billing Report

The bills are being processed as the Secretary has time.

Solicitor's Report

Resolution 2024-06 a resolution for SAFER to secure a temporary liquor license. Councilman Claycomb made a motion to resolve. Seconded by Councilman Harper. Councilman Noll abstained. All others in favor, motion carried. SAFER also needs a letter for the County for small games of chance. The President of Council will be submitting the letter to the county.

The Garbage bids are due by the end of the month. They will be opened at the June meeting.

Solicitor Springer provided an update on the Sunshine Act. We should be very explicit when adding things to the agenda. Detailed list of what is to be discussed.

Maintenance Report

Report provided. The Loop detector has been fixed. Discussion regarding possibly getting a backhoe. Councilman Howett brought up the ballfield is being used as a dog park. People are allowing their dogs to run loose and not picking up after the dogs. Councilman Noll said our ordinance already states that the dogs must be leashed. The general consensus is that Councilman Howett can come up with some ideas of what he would like to see on a sign. Mayor Sanford will discuss this issue along with another with the MDJ to ensure we have the proper verbiage on the signs for enforcement. Discussion continued.

We will be adding cameras at the park, because of this we need to add additional signs regarding the park being under surveillance. We also need a sign regarding the dumpster stating it is for park use only. Mayor Sanford will talk to the MDJ regarding the proper verbiage for enforcement.

Zoning Officer's Report

Patti has been sending letters and citations for grass.

EMA Report

Report provided. Mayor Sanford continues to work on the Generator installation.

Mayor's Report

Report provided. Mayor Sanford has been in touch with Met-Ed regarding the street lights that were out. Almost all of them have been repaired. He will continue to work with Met-Ed for the ones that still need to be repaired.

Secretary's Report

Hamilton and Musser have provided a draft of the DCED report. Council sees nothing that needs to be changed on this draft. The PLIGIT paperwork has been signed and turned in.

Unfinished Business

The camera quote for the park has been revised and the price has come down slightly. Half of the invoice has been paid and Blasser Security will put us on the schedule.

New Business

There have been several incidences of vehicle vandalism again. Discussion of Fireworks at the park. The consensus of Council is that a sign is not required, our ordinance states that the park closes at dusk.

Payment of the Bills

Council questioned why the USIC bill was so high. The Secretary should go ahead and pay the bill but report back to Council with the details. Councilman Sprenkle made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, the bills are paid.

Adjournment

Councilman Sprenkle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11PM. Seconded by Councilman Snyder, all in favor, meeting adjourned.