

**YOE BOROUGH**  
**150 NORTH MAPLE STREET**  
**YOE, PA 17313**

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on April 3, 2018 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 7:03 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Council members in attendance:**

Samuel Snyder

Ryan Harper

William Bankoske

Barry Myers

Seth Noll

Dustin Claycomb

George Howett

**Others in attendance**

John Sanford, Mayor

Seth Springer, Solicitor

Steve Malesker, Engineer

Dana Shearer, Maintenance Supervisor

Diana Dvorak, Secretary-Treasurer

Nancy Lanocka, Resident

Chief Damon, York Area Regional Police

**Minutes**

Councilman Snyder asked if everyone had an opportunity to look over the minutes from the prior meeting. Councilman Myers made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Bankoske. Councilman Snyder abstained. All others in favor. Minutes approved.

**Visitors**

Chief Damon from York Area Regional Police was in attendance to discuss the 2017 annual report. There was an overall increase for everything. Yoe, the Part I crimes, which are the

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more serious crimes, stayed the same at 20. The Part II crime, increased to 34 from 21. Misc. calls increased. Accidents citations, and arrests increased significantly. Chief Damon listed the specifics for the Part I and II crimes. Mayor Sanford asked if these numbers include juvenile arrests. Chief Damon does not believe that these numbers reflect juvenile arrests. Councilman Bankoske inquired as to why there was more of an increase in Yoe, as opposed surrounding municipalities. Chief Damon said he could not provide a specific reason for this. Councilman Noll asked if there are any trends that we should be on the look out for. Chief Damon said the biggest issue right now is the opioid crisis, specifically heroin. The areas that do not struggle with this issue as much, are generally not as close to ports. Mayor Sanford asked if we could have more bike and foot patrol in the area. Chief Damon said he could have the bikes out more, the officers are also doing spot checks in problem areas. Mayor Sanford said that both sides of Broad, and West Pennsylvania, especially the alleys later at night.

The first quarter of 2018 there have been 68 calls for service. 41 traffic citations, 1 overdose, 5 motor vehicle accidents, one DUI arrest, 4 arrests for drugs. Councilman Snyder asked why traffic citations have gone down. Mayor Sanford and Chief Damon both responded. The Officers time is being spent more on other calls.

Solicitor Springer inquired about networking park cameras into the Police Department, are there any advantages, or is this an unnecessary expense. Chief Damon said that is up to Council. Currently, Jacobus, Dallastown, and York Township, are all in the YAR system, to be viewed from the Police Department. Chief Damon made it clear these cameras are not manned 24/7. But there is generally someone at the department all the time. They can reference their system later if there is an incident. Councilman Noll wanted it noted that if we do opt to have our cameras linked to YAR, that we would need to go use the company their system is through. Councilman Harper asked if any other municipalities are dropping Regional coverage. Chief Damon said the only one he knows of is Felton Borough, but their impact would be minimal. Ms. Lanocka wondered if she could ask questions of Chief Damon, Councilman Snyder said, that is what he is here for.

Ms. Lanocka said that pulling out of Yoe Dr. onto Lombard is like taking your life into your hands every day. I know I've been through it several times. Vehicles are speeding up and down the hill and causing near accidents. Yoe Dr. is a York Township road, not a Borough road, she will need to contact York Township if she has additional questions regarding Yoe Dr.

Councilman Snyder would like to commend the Police Department on their excellent work. Ms. Lanocka brought up recent incidents related to drugs close to her home, and at the ballfield. She asked if there is a light that comes on after dark. Councilman Noll, said no, the ballfield is marked as open from sunrise to sunset.

Ms. Lanocka was recognized by Council. Ms. Lanocka inquired as to whether or not Yoe Borough could have a page in the Dallastown newsletter that is sent out. Ms. Lanocka is having issues with a neighboring property. She brought photos to show council. There is lots of trash,

multiple cars parked on the property. It was established that the house in question is in the Borough. It is the first house in the Borough. Patti has been out to this property before. Ms. Lanocka also inquired if there were any ordinances stating where property owners can leave their trash cans. There is not. Discussion continued.

Ms. Lanocka had inquired sometime ago about volunteering around the Borough, specifically painting the fence at the ballfield, and was wondering if the Borough has made a determination on that or not. The Dallastown Cougars primarily use the field, and at this time, they have no plans to repair or replace the fence. There is currently no money to replace the fence. Ms. Lanocka reiterated that she is willing to volunteer. Mr. Shearer recommended that Ms. Lanocka work through the Cougars to see if she can solicit any donations from Home Depot etc. Discussion continued.

### **Solicitor's Report**

The situation at 197 S. Main Street is still being monitored. There is an issue with the Attig property. Two years ago, Dennis Attig had been to Council asking when the survey would be complete. Mr. Attig wanted to sell the two tracts of property on his deed, and he wanted to find out where the Borough line was. Councilman Snyder knew that his deed contained two tracts of land. According to the Tax Claim Bureau, the 37 acres in the Township were one tax parcel, the remaining acres in the Borough were another tax parcel. Mr. Attig was repeatedly told that if you have two lots on a deed, you do not need a subdivision, you just separate the two lots and create two deeds. Mr. Attig continued to inquire where the Borough line was. Then Mr. Attig stated he wanted to keep it to the Borough line. Councilman Snyder at that point told him that if you are changing where the two lots are, a subdivision would be required. The last time Mr. Attig came to Council, Councilman Snyder had looked up his deed. Mr. Attig's deed was actually two lots. Lot II was across the street, and Lot I was the 37 acres. For the past several decades York Township has been receiving tax revenue for the acreage. Because of the bedroom law Yoe Borough should have been receiving the revenue. It was determined at this point that Mr. Attig wanted to cut the property off at the Township line and sell the Township portion. Mr. Attig was told at that time he would need a subdivision. About a year later the Borough hears that the property was sold. Mr. Attig recently passed away, and the remaining property is for sale. No subdivision was ever done. Councilman Snyder had received a phone call from someone interested in purchasing the property, inquiring as to what would be required to subdivide the property. Councilman Snyder thought the caller was referring to the 40+ acres. This was not the case, the caller was only interested in the 5 remaining acres. Councilman Snyder informed the caller that no subdivision would be granted because no subdivision had been created previously. York County Planning was not aware of any subdivision and acknowledged that this will be a complicated issue. Mr. Attig created an illegal subdivision. Councilman Snyder is not sure how it came that York Township received the tax revenue. Councilman Snyder feels the family should be put on notice. Councilman Noll said the new property owner should also be put on notice. Councilman Snyder does not feel we

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should be spending a lot of money on this. There is an auction coming up for the remaining Attig property. Councilman Noll said the auctioneer needs to be notified. Councilman Snyder does not want this to become an issue for the next property owner. The auctioneer is Brad Smith. Solicitor Springer will reach out to the auctioneer. Sunrise Holdings LP are the new property owners. Discussion continued. Solicitor Springer asked if 169 E George ST was the large parcel, or the one across the street. 169 is the large parcel. No subdivision or reverse subdivision can take place without the Borough's approval. Solicitor Springer is going to notify York Township regarding the issue regarding the property.

From the County of York, Treasurer's Office, Act 164 requires a deputy tax collector. Barb Miller is who they are requesting to be appointed. Councilman Noll made a motion to appoint Barb Miller to the deputy tax collector position. Councilman Harper seconded the motion.

LTAP study was received for Elm Street. It did meet the definition of traffic calming, based on Pub. 383. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed is 36mph. The recommendation was to make Philadelphia stop, and Elm Street the thoroughfare street. Councilman Snyder wants to follow the recommendation and wait a year and then do another traffic study. Councilman Noll feels that this will address the volume, but not the speed. Discussion continued. Sight distances on Elm, and what roads would have seen a traffic increase were discussed. Over the next month sight distances will be checked and be reported at next month's meeting.

### **Engineer's Report**

Report provided. The swale project coming off of park alley, the pipe will be a 15" pipe, and rather than going across the street, will use existing easement where the spring line is going and tie into the shallow inlet on that side of the street. Discussion continued. Some inlets or junction boxes will need to be added due to change in direction. There is one gas service line that may be impacted, which is shown on the plan. Councilman Myers made the motion for this plan to be submitted to PennDOT for the HOP. Councilman Harper seconded the motion. When the exhibit is revised existing easements will be shown. There is a question if the easements were ever recorded. Solicitor Springer will check on the easements.

CDGB project: Plans were submitted to county planning. There is some money available now for projects if the Borough is ready to move forward. Councilman Noll feels that we should start the engineering now. Councilman Myers made the motion for Steve to start the engineering on the two CDBG projects. Councilman Noll seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

York County Planning notified the borough of a neighboring municipal subdivision. It is for Fair Valley on South George Street. The Borough is being notified due to the impact of parking and increased traffic.

Councilman Myers asked where they were with the engineering for Boundary Ave. Mr. Malesker said they have the permit, but an easement will be needed on the Attig property. The bridge will be made a full two lane bridge.

**Maintenance Report**

Report provided. Issues with spreader that are being looked into. Received latest two loads of salt, increase in cost anticipated for the next season. Mr. Shearer would like to order one more load in July before the current contract ends. Replacement top has been ordered from Monarch for the church.

**Zoning Officer Report**

Nothing to report.

**EMA Report**

April meeting has been cancelled. County is still working through radio issues.

**Mayor's Report**

Report provided. The stop sign issue – the sign is now in our possession, and the culprit did admit that it is our sign. Mayor Sanford gave the police department discretion in how they wanted to handle the issue. Mayor Sanford feels we should have a camera pointed at the ballfield.

**Secretary's Report**

Yearly audit is complete; no significant findings.

Following up on the website. We did receive a proposal from Councilman Bankoske's neighbor. The proposal was basically the same as PSAB, the difference being cost. The first year would be slightly higher, after that the price is lower, but control is the same, the Borough can have as much or little control as they like. The consensus of Council is to go with PSAB for a new website. Councilman Harper made the motion to use PSAB for the new Borough website. Councilman Noll seconded the motion. Councilman Bankoske abstained, all others in favor. Motion carried.

York County Planning is setting up another committee, a Local Government Committee, and they are looking for a representative from each Borough. Councilman Snyder made the motion to appoint Councilman Noll to the committee. Seconded by Councilman Myers. All in favor, motion carried.

**Unfinished Business**

There is nothing at this time.

**New Business**

There is nothing at this time.

**Payment of the Bills**

Councilman Bankoske made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, bills are paid.

**Adjournment**

Councilman Claycomb made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:26PM. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. All in favor.