

YOE BOROUGH
150 NORTH MAPLE STREET
YOE, PA 17313

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on June 2, 2020 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 7:01 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members in attendance:

Samuel Snyder

George Howett

Ryan Harper

Seth Noll

William Bankoske

Dustin Claycomb

Others in attendance

John Sanford, Mayor

Diana Dvorak, Secretary-Treasurer

Steve Malesker, Engineer

Seth Springer, Solicitor

Minutes

Councilman Snyder asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes from the Marc meeting. Councilman Howett made a motion to accept the minutes. Seconded by Councilman Bankoske. All in favor, motion carried.

Because of Covid-19 there were a series of Emergency Declarations that the Mayor issued. The dates were as followed which were issued every 7 days as recommended by the State. The first being March 25 - March 31, April 1 - April 7, April 8 - April 14, April 15 - April 21, April 22 - April 28, April 29 - May 5, May 6 - May 12, May 13 - May 19, May 20 - May 26, May 27 - June 2, and June 3 - June 9. Councilman Harper made a motion to accept those Emergency Declarations as presented by the Mayor. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb. All in favor, motion carried.

Because of the aforementioned Emergency Declarations there were no meetings held for the months of April and May. Councilman Noll made a motion that no motions or minutes will be forthcoming for the months of April and May of 2020. Seconded by Councilman Howett. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes Continued

Council did however hold a special meeting on May 21, 2020 held via Zoom. Councilman Claycomb made a motion to accept the minutes presented seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, minutes accepted.

Visitors Report

There were no visitors in physical attendance at the June meeting. There were also no requests for attendance via Zoom.

Engineer's Report

Report provided. Mr. Malesker asked if we would like to do any street projects this year. Discussion continued. Councilman Myers is working on this and will get in touch with Mr. Malesker. Discussion of 106 W Broad Street. Consensus of Council is to get a list of streets together, and possibly do small projects this year.

Discussion of 197 S Main Street, and the complaint about erosion along the fence. Other properties along S Main Street look good, the grass is at 70% all along the area. There is dead grass, but no erosion. The erosion along the fence looks like an animal is digging. The Consensus of was to send a letter stating that "Council looked at the pictures, and saw no compelling evidence of washout we feel there is a preponderance of dead grass, it appears there are lawn issues the homeowner needs to take care of. If you wish to take this any further, please get an engineer that can prove causation."

Councilman Snyder brought up parking issues on E Philadelphia Street. Six to eight vehicles are being parked along the North Side of E Philadelphia and creating potential stormwater issues. If we want to switch the no parking sides along E Philadelphia will require an ordinance change. Councilman Noll made a motion to amend the ordinance changing the no parking from the North Side to the South Side of East Philadelphia Street. Seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, motion carried.

Solicitor's Report

Ordinance 2020-02 amending the pension plan. Councilman Bankoske made the motion to ordain ordinance 2020-02. Seconded by Councilman Noll. All in favor, so be it ordained.

Resolution 2020-06 - if the Borough so chooses we can pass a resolution telling the taxing authority not to impose penalties for late payment this year. Discussion continued. Councilman Noll made a motion that resolution 2020-06 for penalty relief on real estate taxes

Solicitor's Report Continued

not be approved. Seconded by Councilman Howett. All in favor. Resolution 2020-06 dies. Zero votes for. Six against.

We have been notified through the Sewer Authority that the McGonagle's have sent in a change of address; because of this Councilman Snyder feels Council can declare the seats on the Water and Zoning authority vacant. Councilman Noll made a motion to declare the zoning hearing board seat vacant, and to also declare the water authority seat vacant. Councilman Claycomb seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carries. Dana Shearer had previously expressed interest in joining the Water Authority. Councilman Noll made a motion to appoint Dana Shearer to the Water Authority contingent upon his acceptance, for the unexpired term for Mike McGonagle. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb. We do have two people on the Zoning Hearing board. Councilman Snyder feels Mr. Shearer would be suited for this seat as well. This appointment will need to be made by resolution.

Councilman Noll made a motion to go into executive session at 7:42 PM. Seconded by Councilman Howett.

Executive Session

The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:26 PM.

The council discussed personnel matters; as such based upon a review of the information provided Borough Council is prepared to make a decision in regards to the termination of the subject employee. Councilman Noll made a motion to terminate the employment of the subject employee. Councilman Claycomb seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Noll made a motion for the president of Council to reach out to the Police Department to conduct the investigation for any alleged criminal activity and to be able to sign the paperwork and represent the Borough Council in the matter going forward. Seconded by Councilman Howett. All in favor, motion carried.

Maintenance Report

Report provided.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mayor Sanford had given some issues to Patti that have been handled verbally. The permit application for the owner of 106 W Broad has been denied. The denial letter did not provide any instruction for appeal, nor did it provide a removal date. Discussion continued. Enforcement notices were sent to the owner of the Wilson Court property.

EMA Report

Report provided. The old NIMS course has been revised. The reimbursement requirements for Covid related expenses are changing day to day, right now we do not meet target areas or dollar amounts. Discussion continued. Attending a large number of meetings and webinars.

Mayor's Report

Report provided. Discussion of York Area Regional promotions. Police activity has increased

Secretary's Report

Ethics reports are due by July 1st. The park rentals can resume, however the park itself will not reopen until the green phase.

Council discussed the request from the Dallastown Cougars to start using the ballfield once in the green phase. Councilman Noll made a motion that the Dallastown Cougars, per their own guidance can use the ballfield once in the green phase. Seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Snyder had a question regarding the budget in regards to the rental inspection fees. Secretary Dvorak explained that there are a few people that did not yet send in the fees. A few people will be receiving courtesy seconded notice, there will be a few others receiving violation notices. Councilman Snyder feels that we need to appoint the Secretary as the Property Maintenance Supervisor in order to send out enforcement notices. Councilman Noll made a motion to appoint Diana to the Property Maintenance/Supervisor position per the properly terminology. Seconded by Councilman Harper. Councilman Noll asked if Diana would be interested in doing the inspections. Diana agreed to do the inspections. Discussion continued.

Review of the budget. Councilman Snyder wanted it noted that one mil is roughly \$30,000.

The F550 needs to be inspected. Councilman Myers will make an appointment for the inspection.

Unfinished Business

Spotted lantern fly training. Councilman Snyder is the permit holder. Vehicle logs also need to be placed in the vehicles. Councilman Snyder spoke with someone at the Penn State Extension office who said that anytime the vehicle leaves the Borough the log needs to be completed. Discussion continued.

New Business

None at this time.

Payment of the Bills

The bill list encompasses all the bills from April to June 2, 2020. Councilman Noll made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Howett. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment

Councilman Claycomb made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:09. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting is adjourned.