

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

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on January 5, 2021 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:**

Samuel Snyder

George Howett

Ryan Harper

Seth Noll

William Bankoske

Dustin Claycomb

**Others in attendance**

John Sanford, Mayor

Diana Dvorak, Secretary-Treasurer

John Klinedinst, Engineer

Seth Springer, Solicitor

Robert Strobeck, Resident

Tom Estermyer, Property Owner

**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 Bankoske. All in favor, minutes approved.

## Visitors Report

Mr. Strobeck was in attendance to ask how we were making out with the Wilson CT. property. Mr. Strobeck said that while things are being removed, things are also being added. There is now a camper on the property again. Councilman Snyder had received an email from the property owners that they wanted to meet with Council. Councilman Snyder wanted to see the property before meeting with the owners. Sam received a second email from the owners, that the camper that is on the property will be removed by Sunday. Councilman Snyder said the property owners are pretty much in compliance in regard to the outside appearance. Mr. Estermyer said he feels the tenants have made pretty good progress. There are a few items that the tenants are trying to sell. Mr. Estermyer also mentioned that someone had been counting cars on the property. A neighbor parks up to four of his vehicles on the Wilson CT property. If the number of vehicles is a problem, then Mr. Estermyer will address this with the neighbor.

Solicitor Springer asked if the tenant was leaving. Mr. Estermyer said the tenant would rather not leave. Solicitor Springer thought the tenant was leaving at the end of December. Mr. Estermyer said that the tenant would have to make the property appreciably better if he wanted to stay, but Mr. Estermyer will do whatever we tell him. There are surrounding properties that are in much worse shape than his. Solicitor Springer said the issue is that once the violations start again it will continue to be a problem.

Solicitor Springer asked Mr. Strobeck what his current issues are. Mr. Estermyer said there is no one currently living on the property. Discussion continued between Mr. Estermyer and Mr. Strobeck.

Solicitor Springer said we just need some finality. If it falls out of compliance again the Borough will continue with enforcement. The property, minus the camper, which is to be gone on Sunday, is currently in compliance. Discussion continued. Mr. Estermyer said he has no problem enforcing anything if this becomes a problem again. Solicitor Springer said if we have to push compliance Mr. Estermyer will be responsible. Mr. Estermyer said he understands completely. Discussion continued. Councilman Snyder suggested that Mr. Estermyer check the ordinances if he has questions of what is allowed. The problem the Borough is having is that the tenants keep violating and bringing things in that is clearly not allowed.

Mr. Estermyer said that if he gets a call again about the tenant being in violation, the tenant will be out on the street. Discussion continued. Councilman Noll said that from here on out any violation will automatically be cited.

Mr. Estermyer inquired about the stormwater issue. Mr. Klinedinst said the easiest solution would be to put a berm across the driveway.

### **Engineer's Report**

Report provided. The new MS4 permit was issued on December 16<sup>th</sup>. This includes the pollution reduction plan which has to be done by 2025 that is in conjunction with the York County Consortium. Jessica Fieldhouse will be down in April for an MS4 meeting.

The Sewer Authority transition - we are working to get the as-built's are being added to Datum. Nothing has been done regarding the recommended maintenance program as Council wanted to hold off for a while. The Sewer repair on Main Street is proceeding as authorized. Mr. Klinedinst's hope is to have it repaired internally. One contractor he spoke with said most of it could be done internally, but some would need to be excavated. Mr. Klinedinst did reach out to another contractor for a second opinion.

CDBG applicated have been submitted to the York County Planning Commission.

The Mill Creek Dam inspection has been done by the DEP was completed on December 30<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Noll made for C.S. Davidson to file the Chapter 94 reports for 2021. Seconded by Councilman Bankoske. All in favor, motion carried.

There is no need to meet with Holley again regarding the sewer related issues.

The Sewer Authority wants to have their year-end audit soon. Councilman Snyder asked the professionals send all bills related to the Sewer to Diana so she can submit an invoice to the Sewer Authority.

### **Solicitor's Report**

Ordinance 2021-01 an ordinance amending and consolidating Chapter 6, parts 3 and 4 of the Yoe Borough Code of Ordinances. Councilman Noll verified with Mayor Sanford that the Police were okay with the language in the ordinance. Councilman Noll made a motion to adopt ordinance number 2021-01. Seconded by Councilman Bankoske. All in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2021-01 is the 2021 Fee schedule. Some changes/additions were made regarding the Sewer. Councilman Bankoske made a motion to resolve, seconded by Councilman Claycomb. All in favor, so be it resolved.

Solicitor Springer has a meeting with Mike Craley, the Solicitor for the Sewer Authority, to go over the lien process.

Councilman Harper made a motion a to accept the Disaster Emergency Declaration made by Mayor Sanford on December 15, 2020 for winter storm "Gail. Seconded by Councilman Bankoske. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Maintenance Report**

The light pole for Walnut Street has come in. Mayor Sanford will get in touch with Councilman Myers to let him know.

Mayor Sanford oversaw the storm. There were a few issues with snow removal. There were a few complaints. Mayor Sanford is concerned that the driver's truck may be a bit large for some of Yoe's alleys. Discussion continued.

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

22 E Pennsylvania AVE is becoming a problem again. Patti will no longer warn them, they will automatically be cited. Neighbors are complaining about trash piling up.

The campers on Water Street are still there. Patti will follow up.

### **EMA Report**

First quarterly meeting is scheduled for January 6<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Claycomb will also attend.

### **Mayor's Report**

Report provided. Mayor Sanford did some research regarding putting snow on streets. This was also run by the District Magistrate.

### **Secretary's Report**

The Sewer transition is still in process. We do not have a date from Muni-link when the Borough will go live.

### **Unfinished Business**

Councilman Harper has not reached out to Ream yet regarding the spouting.

### **New Business**

Mayor Sanford has been discussing the need for a part time/as needed maintenance person, with various Council members to help out when Rick is not available. Discussion of going to a

property management company for as needed maintenance help. Councilman Harper made a motion for Diana to post the position for as needed/up to 20 hours a week, and to continue with the hiring committee. Seconded by Councilman Noll, all in favor, motion carried.

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### **Payment of the Bills**

Councilman Noll made a motion to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb all in favor, bills are paid.

### **Adjournment**

Councilman Claycomb made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting is adjourned.