

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

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The regular monthly meeting of Yoe Borough Council was held on July 6, 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

Barry Myers

Ryan Harper

George Howett

Dustin Claycomb

Others in attendance

Diana Dvorak, Secretary-Treasurer

Seth Springer, Solicitor

John Sanford, Mayor

John Klinedinst, Engineer

Andrew Warntz, Republic Services

**Minutes**

Councilman Snyder asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes from the prior meeting. Councilman Myers made a motion to approve the minutes from the prior meeting. Seconded by Councilman Harper. Councilman Claycomb abstained. Even with Council members absent there is still a quorum, minutes are accepted.

**Visitors Report**

There were no visitors in attendance for this meeting. We will go right into opening the bids.

**Garbage Bid Opening**

Solicitor Springer confirmed with Mrs. Dvorak that there were only two bids. Mrs. Dvorak confirmed yes, we received bids from Republic Services and Penn Waste. The first bid that was opened was with Republic Services.

Option 1, basic contract with recycling is

2022 - \$108,615.18

2023 - \$112,960.22

2024 - \$117,478.63

Total for all three years is \$339,054.45

Option 2, without recycling the bid is

2022 - 82,580.40

2023 - 87,898.79

2024 - 91,414.74

Total for all three years is \$261,893.93

The second bid we have is from Penn Waste.

Option 1, basic contract with recycling for a three-year term is \$653,890.32. For a basic contract without recycling is \$470,830.32. The breakdown is as follows

With recycling

2022 - \$203,400.00

2023 - \$217,638.00

2024 - \$232,852.00

Total for all three years is \$653,890.32

Without recycling

2022 - \$146,448.00

2023 - \$156,699.36

2024 - \$167,682.96

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**Garbage Bid Opening Continued**

Total for all three years is \$410,830.32

Councilman Harper made a motion not to recycle for the upcoming three-year contract. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb. All in favor, motion carried.

The low bidder is Republic at \$261,893.93. Councilman Harper made a motion that Republic Services is a responsible bidder, and to accept the low bid of \$261,893.93. Seconded by Councilman Howett. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Snyder asked Mrs. Dvorak if she was able to get the numbers for the previous 3-year contract. The rate has increased by roughly \$30,000 over a three-year period. Mrs. Dvorak is to figure out the next year garbage rate increase.

**Engineer's Report**

Report provided. Mr. Klinedinst feels we should be cautious with spending any of the American Rescue Plan money, as the federal infrastructure bill may change how the funds can be spent. His recommendation is to continue developing projects but try to hold off on spending money at this point.

The maintenance program for the Sanitary Sewer System is still in the process. All of the contract documents have been submitted, at this point we are waiting to hear back from Mr. Rehab.

Sanitary Sewer System Repair, we still have not received the PennDOT permit yet. PennDOT wants new ADA curb ramps put in. This was an issue when sidewalks were put in along S Main, and Philadelphia, it was not feasible. The ramps will come back to Council as a change order. If it is not feasible in the areas being worked, an additional form will need to be submitted.

West Gay Avenue – Mr. Klinedinst walked it; he is hoping the problem is at the garages. His solution is to put an inlet up by the garages and bring the down to Maple and hook it to some work that was going to be done on the Stormwater plan, and then rebuild the alley to the condition it is in now, bring all of the water over to one side. This would be an alley improvement and a stormwater improvement at the same time. Councilman Snyder said this is a continuation project and can be added to a CDBG project. Discussion continued. Mr. Klinedinst is going to check into the Dirt & Gravel Roads grant again. Mr. Klinedinst is to start working on designs for W. Gay Alley and Park Alley and see what it would cost to add going the other way.

The Borough's bridges are in need of inspection, it is recommended that the bridges get inspected every five years, even if they are low volume. The gabion baskets are on the list to be inspected.

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#### **Engineer's Report Continued**

There is an issue with a box on Cherry Alley and W. Philadelphia where the stone foundation is crumbling. We need to verify whose property it is, and what easements are needed.

Councilman Myers is going to pull the deed. There is no record of the Alley being adopted, only a reference to an ordinance in 1917 extending Philadelphia St., Third St. and Fourth St. up to Elm, they referenced Cherry Alley. It is to be assumed it was adopted prior to 1917, but we cannot find the ordinance. We are missing a minute book from 1911 to 1914. The status of Cherry Alley came up in 1984. At that time the same information was found, as Councilman Snyder found now. In 1984 the Council made a Resolution confirming Cherry Alley as an adopted Borough Alley, but this again did not provide the width of the street. Councilman Snyder read the reference in the minutes from July 1984. Discussion continued. Councilman Myers is going to check the deed. Councilman Howett made a motion for the Engineer to provide the proper documents that he feels are needed once Councilman Myers does enough investigation to do the work. At that point the Engineer can provide the proper easements. Seconded by Councilman Claycomb. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Myers spoke with PennDOT regarding Springwood, twice. PennDOT is saying that York Township will be taking care of it. Mr. Klinedinst asked where the Borough connected to the Interceptor. Councilman Snyder said that was a good question, is it the Borough's Sewer Pipe, or is it the Mill Creek's Users pipe. Discussion continued.

Main Street, coming down the hill where it is pushing. PennDOT said they are aware of the problem. PennDOT is going to meet and come up with a solution.

Councilman Myers has not done anything regarding the drain at the church. Mayor Sanford has been working with the Church on this issue. The Church has been making phone calls to contractors. Councilman Myers said we need to make sure that whoever does the work needs to be aware of what is running under the sidewalk. Mayor Sanford said we will have more luck explaining these things to the contractor. Councilman Myers will also get Milt involved. Councilman Snyder said we should have Milt added to our One Call list.

#### **Sewer Billing**

Solicitor Springer is working on an issue with a property that needs to be liened for non-payment that lives out of state.

American Legal Publishing did not delete items regarding the Sewer Authority in our most recent codification. This is being corrected.

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### **Solicitor's Report**

CARES Act funding is only eligible starting March 1, 2021, and are only good through December 31, 2024. However, you can contract something during that time as long as the work is completed by 2026. Discussion on how CARES Act funds can be used. Secretary Dvorak asked if we need a separate account for the CARES Act, and would we need to track the interest being received. Mr. Klinedinst said this is not required.

The committee had a Zoom call with Shentel Corporation. Shentel provided information - they would like to get a franchise to provide fiber optics in the Borough. Discussion continued. Shentel is working with surrounding Municipalities as well. Councilman Snyder suggests that we look at the agreement York Township signs. Discussion continued. Councilman Myers made a motion for the committee that was previously appointed to work with Shentel along with the Solicitor to formulate the proper franchise agreement and to make the proper notification to Comcast that we are in negotiations, which does not mean that we would actually sign the agreement. Seconded by Councilman Harper. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Maintenance Report**

Most items were previously discussed. The F550 is out for inspection.

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

There are letters going out for grass and cars. There is an issue on E. Pennsylvania AVE with dogs. There is one person with 13 dogs, there are other properties that are letting dogs run loose. Diana is getting complaints each week on at least four properties. Council suggested that this be addressed in the next newsletter.

Discussion of issues at 131 W Broad. Diana will follow up with South Penn again. Trash is being put out on Water Street at the campers. Because we cannot prove who is putting out the trash there is nothing we can do. Councilman Snyder suggested South Penn takeover this issue, as parking cannot be the primary use. Discussion continued.

There are also issues with parking on E. Pennsylvania AVE with a bus being parked at 22 E Pennsylvania AVE. This is not a Borough Street, so Council will not address this issue.

### **EMA Report**

There is a quarterly meeting tomorrow evening.

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### **Mayor's Report**

Report provided. The merger is continuing but the details cannot be discussed at this time, hopefully by August more information can be provided.

### **Secretary's Report**

Rental inspections are still being conducted. The lights in the office are not working consistently. Councilman Harper feels we should replace all the lights with LED. Councilman Myers said he would follow up with Councilman Noll regarding this issue.

Councilman Snyder asked if everyone had a chance to look at the midyear budget? This is our first year with the Sewer, so expect changes to the budget. The shop tools budget is way off but that is because we don't have any place to put the lease payment for the Kubota which is being paid from the cable franchise fees.

### **Unfinished Business**

None at this time.

### **New Business**

There is no new business at this time.

### **Payment of the Bills**

Councilman Myers 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 9:55 PM. Councilman Snyder seconded the motion. All in favor, meeting is adjourned.