

Regular Meeting February 13, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call was taken with Tony Bucci, TJ Edinger, Jim Ferrante, Chuck Kelly Sr., Charlie Kelly Jr., Bob Shrock and Mayor Altman present. Absent from the meeting was John Hemphill. Also present at the meeting was Solicitor Perrotta.

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Kelly Jr. to approve the minutes from the previous regular & special meeting in January. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Bucci, seconded by Kelly Jr. to approve the bills as listed for January. All were in favor, motion carried.

Communications

A written request was received from Chuck Dombeck regarding the home he owns at 1005 Main Street. Since the accident with the car that ran into the house the electric has been disconnected along with the gas. He is requesting to have the water off and the sewer temporarily exonerated until they can get the house in shape to live in once again.

A motion was made by Bucci, seconded by Kelly Jr. to approve the request from Chuck Dombeck and not bill any utilities until the house is repaired. All were in favor, motion carried.

Tax Collector's Report – None

Mayor's Report

The totals for the Police for January were 546 miles patrolled, 80.5 hours on duty with 34 incidences. The total mileage on the police cruiser as of 01/31/23 was 132,244.

Visitors

Dan Kennedy from New Wilmington introduced himself and stated that he is running for Lawrence County Commissioner.

Unfinished Business

Municipal Parking Lot

The appraisal of the property has been completed, the borough is waiting for the report to be delivered.

Stonecrest Agreement

Nothing has been finalized yet. Book & Proch's engineer has some issues and changes to the design that they would like to discuss.

New Business

WABA Dues

A motion was made by Bucci, seconded by Ferrante to renew the WABA dues for 2023 for \$25.00. All were in favor, motion carried.

Borough Clean-up Day

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Edinger to approve and set clean-up day for Saturday, May 20, 2023. All were in favor, motion carried.

Gym Roof Repair

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante to approve the quote from J&S Construction for the roof repair on the gym. All were in favor, motion carried.

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Mahoning Builders Quote – Park Drive

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to approve the quote from Mahoning Builders for repair work on inlets and new pipe on Park Drive. All were in favor, except Ferrante, motion carried.

Book & Proch – Water & Sewer Contract

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to approve a three year water and sewer contract with Book & Proch, contingent upon clarification of a one year out termination clause. A roll call vote was taken with Bucci, Edinger and Kelly Jr. in favor, Ferrante and Shrock not in favor and Kelly Sr. abstaining, motion carried.

Beaver Valley Baseball

The current agreement with Beaver Valley Baseball is not up until April of 2024. Council has some concerns regarding the field use. The Park Committee will reach out to Brian Smith to discuss the concerns with him prior to the start of the season.

New Police Laptop

A motion was made by Shrock, seconded by Bucci to approve the purchase of a new laptop for the Police from Nellcom. All were in favor, motion carried.

Hire Part-time Police Officer

A motion was made by Ferrante, seconded by Bucci to hire Jeff Cortez as a Part-time Police officer pending a background check, physical and drug test and the execution of a letter of intent. All were in favor, motion carried.

Ella Street Paving Project

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Edinger to have the Borough Engineer put the Ella Street Paving project out for bid. All were in favor, motion carried.

Maturing Electric CD

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Ferrante to approve a 52 week CDAR with Huntington Bank in the amount of \$14,500.00 at an interest rate of 4.45%. All were in favor, motion carried.

Sewer Exoneration Request

Jim Ferrante has several accounts that he would like the sewer removed from. There are 3 units at 428 Beaver Street that are vacant and have been since 2005. The laundry room at 1000 Main Street has been removed from the building and 323 Main Street has been vacant for two years. The others are located at 607 JFK Street, Units A, B & C are being worked on and will be completed in about 4 months.

A motion was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci to exonerate eight sewers for Jim Ferrante as listed from 428A, 428B & 423 Beaver Street, 323 Main Street, 1000 Main Street, 607A, B & C on JFK Street. All were in favor, with Ferrante abstaining, motion

carried.

Transfer of Funds

A motion was made by Shrock, seconded by Bucci to transfer \$10,000.00 from the Electric Checking to the General Checking. All were in favor, motion carried.

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Report of Committees

Electric – None

Sewer & Water – None

Budget – None

Buildings – None

Police – None

Streets – None

Park & Recreation

The borough received a quote from J&S Construction to scrape and paint the pillars on the main park shelter.

A motion to table was made by Bucci, seconded by Kelly Jr. All were in favor, motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Jr., seconded by Bucci. All were in favor, motion carried.

Sue Dean, Secretary