# South Waverly Borough March 1, 2021

President Roxanne Testen called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members also present were Dr. Burdett Porter, Cindy Parrish, Bob Nocchi and Chris Wood. Solicitor Jon Foster, Mayor Tim Hickey and Manager Valorie Huckabee also attended. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

# **CITIZENS**

Erin Wayman representing Sayre Redskin Club spoke about the Electronics recycling fund raiser they would like to do. The cost is about \$30,000 if they collect about 50,000 lbs. Donations are paid from the recyclers. Discussion followed about how the cost would be charged to the 3 municipalities they are talking to within the school district. Dr. Burdett Porter spoke about a per capita share split and also suggested all the valley area municipalities be asked. The Council of Governments also is trying to have program and Huckabee will forward the name of contact to Erin to see if they can help.

Borough resident Tim O'Connor didn't attend last month's meeting and he was wanting to know why we voted against changing the borough ordinance regarding animals to allow chickens. Testen stated when minutes are approved he can have a copy to see what was discussed.

Motion by Wood, seconded by Dr. Porter, to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021 meeting as written. Motion was unanimous. A copy of the minutes was given to Tim O'Connor.

# FINANCIAL

The following bills were presented for payment that total \$19,679.78. Motion by Nocchi, seconded by Parrish to approve the payment of the following bills that total \$19,679.78. Motion was unanimous.

Adobe systems	\$-4.12
Aqua Pa.	\$853.38
Borough of Sayre	\$7,333.33
Chamber Choice of NE PA	\$1,971.52
Croft Lumber Co	\$40.55
Dandy Mini Marts	\$59.40
Empire Access	\$104.12
Erle's Janitorial Supply	\$28.00
J's Clean Sweep	\$440.00
Jay Carpet One	\$1,993.80
Patton's Plumbing	\$110.00
Penelec	\$417.83
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	\$25.00
Sayre Morning Time	\$43.25
Taylor Garbage Service	\$1,626.42

Teledair Communications	\$25.00
The Daily Review	\$230.00
W B Mason	\$22.95
American Rock Salt Co	\$1,558.12
Bradco Supply	\$56.55
Dandy Mini Mart	\$213.67
Furman & Jones	\$422.13
Penelec	<u>\$2,108.88</u>
TOTAL	\$15,320.43

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Hickey reviewed the monthly police report for February. There were 35 reported incidents with majority being vehicle citations/warning and or specious persons.

Mayor Hickey and Wood reported the paper work for the PEMA grant has been accepted. They are just waiting to see how much they will receive. They got a quote for replacing the garage door and it is \$35,000. They will continue to get quotes. They plan on doing the floor and ceiling with the grant funds they have received so far. They are getting quotes for the work.

Lohmann stated the Ford F-550 needs the gas tank replaced due to rust. He got 2 estimates. Bradco Supply would be \$2,100 and Furman and Jones is \$1,821.45. Motion by Wood, seconded by Nocchi, to approve Furman & Jones for \$1,821.45. Motion was unanimous.

Wood also stated he wants the paper work ready to bid overlay area on Fulton St and also check around town for other areas that need some work. Lohmann, Huckabee and Wood will be looking into this for next meeting.

Aqua contacted the borough to see if they would consider revising the requirement we have for bonds. Our current is 10 years/\$10,000. The water company is requesting 3 years/\$10,000. Wood stated he doesn't have a problem with reducing it but wants to change a few items in our ordinance regarding the requirements. Motion by Dr. Porter, seconded by Wood to approve the change of the bond to 3 years/\$10,000 and have Wood forward to Attorney Foster changes he suggests we would change for our street requirements. Motion was unanimous.

Dr. Porter questioned the status of Loder St traffic study and if there has been any further talk about Loder St and proposing one way. Huckabee stated she talked with Tim Gourley last month and he thought we might have study findings this meeting.

Lohmann stated as far as code enforcement there hasn't been much because of the snow. Wood like to look into section 232-17 of our code and parking parallel to the street.

Planning Commission did not meet in February.

### LEGAL

Attorney Foster is addressing the issue of the paper streets with Austin and Tom Horn. Foster obtained deed from Austin's for the sewer line. The street name amendment will be completed at the appropriate time. A Notice of Intervention on the Leprino Tax Assessment Appeal and working with school district and county on a settlement.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. O'Connor stated he would like discuss the chicken ordinance. He stated he is not going let this die. He will peruse other avenues to allow them - petition or something. Attorney Foster had him look at the zoning map and stated property that is pink would all be able to have chickens if it was approved per the requirements he wants. President Testen told him the council felt it was in the best interest of the Borough as a community not to allow chickens due to the smell and noise, also this is a very small community with small lots and a lot of new homes that wouldn't want chickens by them.

Huckabee stated she received an email from Johnson/Austin property owners for naming a "Lane" for their address. The would like Johnson Way, Duke Lane or Memory Lane. Motion by Dr. Porter, seconded by Nocchi, to send the names to county and find out which one they will allow. Motion was unanimous.

Meeting recessed into executive session for personnel reason at 7:00 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m. Motion by Dr. Porter, seconded by Nocchi, to accept the resignation of Meggan Correll. Motion was unanimous. We will advertise for a full time person, 3 months' probation, Pension will start January 1<sup>st</sup>. Single health insurance with 15% paid for by person and must be bonded by our insurance company before they can start physically start working. Pay will be \$15 an hour but may need to negotiated depending on person. Motion was unanimous.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valorie L. Huckabee
Secretary