

South Waverly Borough

March 27, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President Roxanne Testen at 6:06 p.m. Members also present were Chris Wood and Robert Myers and Dr. Burdett Porter joined at 6:15p.m. Secretary Julie Lewis also attended. Atty. Jonathon Foster was not in attendance but was called @ 6:09 pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited and led by Chris Wood.

Citizens – Johnny from the Sayre Morning Times and Ralph Meyer were in attendance.

Minutes – Roxanne Testen asked for a motion to approve the minutes of February 27, 2023 as written. Dr. Burdett Porter made a motion to accept the minutes as written and seconded by Robert Myers. The vote was unanimous.

There was a motion to include the Bid opening for Dry Brook Creek Culvert Replacement by Chris Wood and seconded by Robert Myers. The vote was unanimous. There was a bid from Larsen Design Group in the amount of \$75,641.73 for the design and bidding of Dry Brook Creek Culvert replacement. This was the only bid received. Chris Wood made a motion to accept the bid seconded by Dr. Burdett Porter. Chris stated he feels the figures are fair & they are qualified as they work with other municipalities and they are on track with the time frame. Roxanne asked if it would be widened. Chris stated that it would be to allow the debris to flow.

Financial - Roxanne Testen asked for a motion to approve the bills for March 2023. A motion was made by Dr. Burdett Porter and seconded by Robert Myers to approve the payment of the following presented bills that total \$63,593.23. Motion was unanimous. Chris would like to talk to an electrician about hardwiring the ADA doors so that we don't have to purchase the batteries at \$190.00 each. Craig said he has a call into an electrician for that.

General Fund	
Adobe Systems Inc.	\$ 21.19
Aqua PA	\$ 972.41
Art's Exterminating	\$ 40.00
Barzell Lock	\$ 190.90
Borough of Sayre	\$ 7,333.33
C&N Bank	\$ 8.00
Casella Waste System	\$ 148.27
Chamber Choice of N.E. PA	\$ 3,294.10
Dandy Mini Marts, Inc.	\$ 185.03
Dependable Disposal of Southern Tier	\$ 9,447.84
EFPR Groups CPA'S, PLLC	\$ 9,000.00
Empire Access	\$ 105.58
Erle's Janitorial	\$ 42.00
Foster Law Office	\$ 5,300.00

Horn's True Value	\$ 72.33
Lowe's Home Center	\$ 66.72
Penelec	\$ 392.90
Selective Insurance Company of America	\$ 547.00
Teledair Communications	\$ 25.00
Valley Energy	\$ 931.08
General Fund Total	\$ 38,123.68
Liquid Fuels	
American Rock Salt Company	\$ 1,562.16
Dandy Mini Marts, Inc.	\$ 284.93
Northeast ATV	\$ 53.94
Penelec	\$ 1,254.86
Liquid Fuels Total	\$ 3,155.89
Sewer	
Aqua	\$ 28.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	\$ 70.24
Penelec	\$ 192.57
Pennsylvania One Call	\$ 2.60
South Waverly Borough	\$ 3,600.00
Valley Energy	\$ 25.22
Valley Joint Sewer Authority	\$ 18,395.03
Sewer Total	\$ 22,313.66
Total General Fund, Liquid Fuels & Sewer	\$ 63,593.23

Committee Reports:

Police – Went from 45 in January to 38 in February. There were 8 Traffic Warning/Charges, 5 Suspicious Person/Circumstance, 6 Motor Vehicle Accidents that made up the majority of the calls.

Fire Department – There was not a meeting.

Planning Commission – There was not a meeting

Fireworks – Chris stated he had questions and concerns regarding the ordinance. He would like to see some of the “discretionary” findings taken out. He would like to see that this is more cut and dry. He also would like to see it more uniform. The state changed the law from 2017 to 2022 and nobody is to set off fireworks without the required licensing, bond and certificate of insurance. Chris would like to see it cleaned up. Jonathon stated he would go through it and make it exactly to the state law. Dr. Porter feels it is going in a good direction. He is wondering if the state law has conflict as well. Jonathon tried to separate the consumer vs. display. Chris would like to advertise the ordinance but make minor changes and vote on it at the next meeting. Motion to

advertise the ordinance was made by Robert Myers and seconded by Dr. Burdett Porter. The vote was unanimous.

EMC –

Code – Craig went to court regarding a resident on Pitney St. Stated he is claiming bankruptcy. The resident on Pleasant St. paid a constable in full and this has been on going with this resident since 1997.

Building and Grounds – Craig stated that when the Veteran Flags go back up he would like to rent a bucket truck @ \$250.00 per day plus fuel. This would be safer in the long run instead of using a ladder at each pole. Chris would like at budget season to see if we can put some money in the account to replace banners.

Streets – PennDot came and did an estimate project. Court St. and LaFayette to Loder. Option 1 is a full rebuild. Option 2 is 2 phase milling going over then seal coat after. Dr. Porter asked how much we have budgeted for roads. Chris stated \$52,500.00 for road repair and \$5,000.00 for storm drains that we could move to roads. Court street is the most traveled and LaFayette is the least traveled but nothing has been done with it in years.

Legal – Per Jonathan's report he is dealing with homeowner violations, paper streets and employee policy.

Sewer – Chris would like to have the height of a clean out to be changed. 5ft above ground is over kill and looks terrible. He would like to see it changed to 6 inches above grade. Jonathan will send a draft, if everything looks ok, he will advertise for next meeting. Dr. Porter made a motion seconded by Chris Wood to change the ordinance.

Other Business - Bradford County Humane Society sent a copy of their budget. They are not funded by the county; however, they only get \$7,500 from the county. They hope to get money from each Borough/Township and would like to get .25 for each resident. Dr. Porter stated he does not have a problem giving them \$250.00. There was a motion by Dr. Porter and seconded by Robert Myers to send Bradford County Humane Society \$250.00. The vote was unanimous.

Council went into executive session at 7:18 p.m. for personnel matters. Council came out of executive session at 7:45 p.m. Roxanne wants to advertise for a part time employee 20 hours a week. There was a motion by Robert Myers to advertise seconded by Dr. Porter. The vote was unanimous.

Robert Myers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Burdett Porter. The vote was unanimous. Adjourned at 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Lewis
Secretary/Treasurer