

South Waverly Borough November 18, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Roxanne Testen at 6:00 p.m. Members also present were Robert Myers, Chris Wood, Dr. Burdett Porter and Cindy Parrish. Secretary Julie Lewis and Craig Lohmann were also in attendance and Atty. Jonathon Foster, Sr. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Citizens – Gene Bentley, Keith Chapman, Dave Bentley, Marla Rolfe, Carol and Robert Malanoski were in attendance. They all were in attendance regarding the trash and recycling and that they have either purchased pink tickets through NTSWA or don't feel that they have enough to put out weekly for Dependable in order to have to pay for trash removal. Cindy Parrish and Dr. Burdett Porter stated that maybe they could get reimbursement from where they purchased them, or from NTSWA themselves. If not, maybe the borough could purchase them from the individuals that have them. Keith Chapman stated that he did the math regarding his collection and it would save him money, while not a lot, but it would save him money. He brought up a question, that if someone doesn't pay their garbage bill, would their water be shut off, like when they don't pay the sewer bill. The council stated they would have to talk about that and decide how to handle that. There was an email from resident Tom Weaver that was read by President Testen he expressed that the DryBrook creek is coming along nicely. He stated that the website does not have contact information for council members. It was stated that each council member's address is listed on the site. If anyone wants to send an email, they can send it to the borough secretary and she will forward any email to the appropriate member. He stated that Loder St. has become a race track and police have not been enforcing the speed limit that it has been a long time since they parked on Broad Ave to observe traffic. Mayor Hickey stated he could get ahold of the Chief or Dave Jarrett to get the radar placed back over there to slow traffic down. He would also like to see some type of signage concerning wheel chair use in the area as both he and his son use power chairs. He also feels the delinquent sewer list should be published just as the delinquent tax list. President Testen stated that Bradford County is the one that publishes the delinquent tax list and that we will not be publishing the delinquent sewer list.

Minutes – President Testen asked for a motion to approve the minutes of October 28, 2024 as written. Dr. Burdett Porter made a motion to accept the minutes with a second from Chris Wood. The vote was unanimous

Financial – President Testen asked for a motion to approve the bills for November 2024 in the amount of \$17,458.59. A motion was made by Cindy Parrish and seconded by Robert Myers to approve the payment of the following presented bills. Motion was unanimous.

November 2024 Bills to be approved	
General Fund	
Amazon	\$ 304.27
Apex Cleaning Pros	\$ 540.00
Aqua PA	\$ 989.60

Bishop's Full Time Portables	\$ 210.00
Chamber Choice of N.E. PA	\$ 3,517.89
Coursevector, LLC	\$ 645.44
Croft Lumber	\$ 154.46
Eastern Managed Print	\$ 2,852.56
Lowe's Home Centers	\$ 89.99
Moore's Auto Parts	\$ 93.80
QuickBooks - Intuit	\$ 901.00
Sayre Morning Times	\$ 623.00
Sayre Police Dept. Benevolent Assoc.	\$ 200.00
General Fund Total	\$ 11,122.01
Liquid Fuels	
Dandy Mini Marts, Inc.	\$ 238.43
Penelec	\$ 1,247.27
Liquid Fuels Total	\$ 1,485.70
Sewer	
Aqua Pennsylvania	\$ 74.24
Bradco Supply	\$ 32.56
Link Computer Corporation	\$ 4,740.48
Pennsylvania One Call System	\$ 3.60
Sewer Total	\$ 4,850.88
Total General Fund, Liquid Fuels & Sewer	\$ 17,458.59

Committee Reports:

Police – Mayor Hickey reported in October report there were 47 total incidents There were 4 MVA’S, 5 parking issues, 6 suspicious persons/vehicle/circumstances, 7 traffic enforcements, 7 traffic warnings among other things.

Fire Department – Mayor Hickey stated that the PEMA Grant was accepted but does not know how much they will receive.

Planning Commission – No meeting was held, but the next meeting is Dec. 11th this will replace the November and late December meetings.

Sewer – The delinquent list was spoke about in executive session.

EMC – Nothing

Code – Report was given.

Building and Grounds – The roof was completed by Mark Cron and where he worked it is not leaking, but there is an area where he didn't work that there is a small leak. There is a nail that is loose and some silicone will take care of that.

Streets – Crack sealing is done and the streets are completed. We are under the total gallons for crack seal. Every road in the borough has been addressed this year.

Dry Brook Creek – It will be paved on Wednesday the guide rail will be going in and the road should be on schedule to open before Thanksgiving. Mayor Hickey asked if the 2 grants will be enough to cover the expenses. Chris stated that he hasn't seen the bill yet for the crack sealing but should be under what the bid was for and we should have enough.

Legal – Report submitted and was discussed in executive session.

Other Business - Garbage and Recycling – Chris stated with the increase of recycling from \$40,000 to \$88,000 the borough can't afford to continue to offer recycling. With that said, the proposal with both recycling and trash removal with the borough billing on the sewer bills, he is in favor of. Cindy stated that she is on the fence. She said that she feels that it is all or nothing at all and that she is leaning more towards the trash and recycling collection. Robert stated that he doesn't pay for garbage but for the good of the borough he is all for the garbage and recycling collection as well. He also stated that he has talked to several residents that stated that they are also in favor of it because it will bring down their garbage removal payments. Dr. Porter also stated he is with Cindy, that he feels it is an all or nothing collection and he is in favor of the collection as well. He stated that he too, has talked to other residents and they are in favor of the collection as it will save them money in the long run. He stated looking 10 years down the road, it will be favorable for those moving into the borough. Cindy stated that we need to have discussions about non-payment. There was a motion by Chris to proceed with the garbage and recycling pick up, seconded by Cindy the vote was unanimous. Atty. Foster will draw up the ordinance for collection of garbage and recycling. Marla asked what if people have paid a year in advance with their hauler. Dr. Porter wanted to know if people have an abundance of people with pink tickets from NTSWA. Can we reimburse the residents? Mr. Gene Bentley stated he has 40 tickets left and Cindy stated that he is not the norm. Most purchase a few at a time. Budget – Chris looked at the general fund and the Sayre Composting was not there, that we will have to put that in before we vote on the budget. Julie added that to the budget and there was a motion to tentatively adopt the 2025 budget seconded by Dr. Porter. The vote was unanimous.

Council went into executive session for legal issues at 7:05 p.m. Dr. Burdett Porter left executive session at 7:21. The council came out of executive session at 7:58 p.m.

Robert Myers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Chris Wood. The vote was unanimous. Adjourned at 7:49 pm

The next meeting is December 30, 2024

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Lewis
Secretary/Treasurer