

Williamstown Borough Meeting Minutes July 6, 2020

Williamstown Borough Council met Monday, July 6, 2020 in Council Chambers. Present were: President Dane Williard, Mark Challenger, Jr., Brian Troup, Stephen Denkovich, Donald Machamer, Solicitor Joe Kerwin, Secretary Lynne Daniel, Mayor Jeffrey Shuttlesworth. Absent was Ron Umholtz. Citizens: Due to Corona 19 Virus meeting was closed to the public

President Dane Williard called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

The Mayors report was given with \$106.29 from the District Magistrate and \$304.40 from State Police fines. The Tax Collectors Report was given for \$5,147.70.

President Williard presented the Code Enforcement Report in Ron's absence. Ron had filed 5 new citations with the District Magistrate including Medellin's on Broad Street, Hoch (Ferris) on Tunnel Street and Berger on W. Market Street. There are two citations with the Magistrate on the North Front Assoc. property on E. Market for building & sidewalk repairs and grass and weeds. The citation for Mauser property has been released due to roof replacement completion and the garage is in the process of being torn down. Seven additional notices have been sent out for high grass and weeds. Ron also contacted Light & Heigle concerning the building located beside the Historical Society and a no permit construction site but has heard nothing back concerning the E. Market Street property to date. Five other permit applications have been issued. Warrants for the owner of the brick building on Market Street are active. Solicitor Kerwin made a phone call and left a message to the owner. If he doesn't respond Joe will send a certified letter to him with an offer. Joe also was in contact with George Connor from the County to check if money is still available in the event the property is transferred for assistance with demolition and clean up. Joe has not heard back from the school concerning the acquisition of the adjacent property. Joe also reported the Rails to Trails group has been in contact and are ready to move forward with the mountain project. Steve Denkovich will be their contact.

President Williard reported several citizens have complained about noise from 4-wheelers down across the Black Creek. They are actually in the township and they do not have a noise ordinance. It was suggested they try and speak with the group to come up with a resolution or either as a citizen group file a civil complaint with Margerum.

The Road Supervisors report was reviewed. There was a small sinkhole near the VFW reported Friday. A cone was put out to temporarily mark the spot and repairs are now in process. The road by the Wetzel property on Ray Street was discussed. Due to previous authority work at the location the road has now sunk. After consultation with Drum Excavating the Authority will repair the area where the previous work was done. It was agreed responsibility ends there for both Borough and Authority for any further repairs. Estimates have been received for the curbing/ramp work at Bohners' property. Brian Troup made a motion to accept the estimate from Steve Yuslum for \$2,600.00. Steve Denkovich 2nd the motion and all were in favor. Bill was asked if he feels he is still in need of another small tractor. He replied they have several jobs where another tractor would be useful. The installation of a heater in the middle bay of the borough garage was discussed. An estimate from Koppy's was reviewed for \$2,384.00. Mark Challenger, Jr. made a motion to accept the estimate and move forward with Bill installing the heater himself. Brian Troup 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

An email was received from Cloud 5 Solutions, the company creating the borough website apologizing for delays in activating the site. Due to the recent business shutdowns and an emergency with one of their

911 Center Clients they have been overwhelmed recently. They are doing everything possible to get the site complete and up and running.

Steve Denkovich made a motion to pay the bills for \$10,956.28 and payroll for \$6,133.45. Mark Challenger, Jr. 2nd the motion and all were in favor. Brian Troup made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Steven Denkovich 2nd the motion and all were in favor.

NEXT MEETING MONDAY AUGUST 3, 2020

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