

**PINE GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 11, 2024**

GENERAL ATTENDANCE

Earl Kreiser
Mark Rose
Lee Strubhar
Sgt. Mozurkevich

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Wade Gettle, Council President
Leroy Bates, Vice President
Elaine Holley, Pro-Tem
Skip Butler
Devin Lymaster
Aimmee Reilly
Willard Shiffer, Mayor
Melissa Dyer, Secretary/ Treasurer
Shane Hobbs, Solicitor

ABSENT:

Council President Gettle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with all members of Council being present. A quorum was established.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (1):

- o **NEFD-Lee Strubhar:** L. Strubhar read over NEFD's monthly report.
- o **Mark Rose:** M. Rose addressed council with his concerns with his house, neighbors and dogs.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

- o **66 E. Pottsville Street:** Solicitor Hobbs stated there will be private style auction between the two bidders. Solicitor Hobbs to let council know the date of the auction.

SCHEDULED VISITORS:

- o **HH&L:** None.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- o Sgt. Mozurkevich read over the monthly Police Report.
- o Mayor Shiffer discussed a handicapped parking request that was received. Council further discussed. Earl will verify if there is a handicapped space on Maple Street. If not, he will add one.

- Mayor Shiffer discussed the rental inspections and council further discussed. Secretary Dyer will check with Marty Sowers on an update for the two properties. Secretary Dyer stated one of the properties is being cited.
- Mayor Shiffer discussed the illegal dumping on Bergers Road. Council further discussed. Leory Bates motioned to explore pricing for clean-up and removal of garbage along Bergers Road, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.

○ **COUNCIL MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

○ **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (WADE GETTLE):**

- **Committee Assignments:** Council worked on updating the Committee Assignments for 2024. Secretary Dyer will update and send to council.
- **Resolution #03-24 Fulton Bank Signers:** Leroy Bates motioned to approve the updated signers for Fulton Bank: Wade Gettle, Leroy Bates, Melissa Dyer, Mandy Miller and Amanda Lutz, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.

○ **ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE (WADE GETTLE)**

- **Approval of Minutes:** Passing the gavel, President Gettle made a motion to accept the Minutes of the December 14, 2023 Regular Meeting, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.
- **Approval of Minutes:** President Gettle made a motion to accept the Minutes of the January 2, 2024 Re-Organization Meeting with the correction, seconded by Elaine Holley, carried by council.
- **Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** President Gettle made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for December, seconded by Skip Butler, carried by Council.
- **Approval of Bills:** President Gettle motioned to approve the Bill Approval List, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.

○ **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (WADE GETTLE):**

- **Streets & Water Report:** Reports are in everyone's file.
- **No Turn Signage-Wideawake Street:** E. Kreiser went over the pricing for the No Left Turn Signs. Council further discussed. Skip Butler motioned to approve the signage totaling \$862.20 for the No Left/Right Turns for Wideawake Street and Oak Grove Road, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.
- **Tires for Dump Truck:** E. Kreiser stated the 2017 Dump Truck is in need of new tires and will be ordering them.
- **Drainage Pipe @ Chemical Building:** E. Kreiser stated the drainage pipe for road going to the Chemical Building is collapsing. E. Kreiser will get quotes to repair the drainage pipe.

○ **PROPERTY & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE (LEROY BATES):** None.

○ **FLOOD MITIGATION COMMITTEE (WADE GETTLE):** None.

○ **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (SKIP BUTLER):** None.

- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, PARKS & RECREATION (AIMMEE REILLY): None.

○ NEW BUSINESS:

- **Resolution # 01-24 Disposition of Records:** Elaine Holley motioned to adopt Resolution # 01-24, Disposition of Records, seconded by Skip Butler, carried by Council.
- **Resolution # 02-24 TCC Delegates:** Leroy Bates motioned to approve Resolution #02-24 and appoint the following as the Schuylkill County Tax Collection Committee delegates: 1st Alternate: Leroy Bates, 2nd Alternate: Elaine Holley and Aimmee Reilly as Primary Delegate, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.
- **Traffic Light:** President Gettle discussed possibly adding a left turning lane to the traffic light coming from S.R. 125. Council further discussed. Skip Butler motioned to move forward with the possible left turning lane to the traffic light coming from S.R. 125, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.

- PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None.

○ PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (LEROY BATES):

- Leroy Bates motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7:06pm to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Devin Lymaster carried by Council. Returned from Executive Session at 7:32pm.
Leroy Bates motioned to accept the resignation of Peter Mozurkevich effective February 1, 2024 his last day will be January 31, 2024, seconded by Skip Butler, carried by Council.
Skip Butler motioned to advertise for FT Police Officer, seconded by Devin Lymaster, carried by Council.

Devin Lymaster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m., seconded by Skip Butler, carried by Council.



Melissa A. Dyer, Secretary/Treasurer