

CLARK BOROUGH
December 4, 2018 - 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
READING OF MINUTES
TREASURER'S REPORT
VISITORS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Central Heating installed units on November 28, 2018

NEW BUSINESS
Adopt 2019 Budget
Council Meeting Dates and times for 2019
Hall Rental Guidelines
Approve Scott Sigworth Audit
Franchise Agreement for Cable TV

QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY MADDEN

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

Sewer Committee
Boroughs Association and Council of Governments
Building, Park & Recreation – DCNR Grant
Code Enforcement/ Zoning Officer
Collector of Taxes
Council of Governments
Finance, Insurance, Pension, Personnel
Fire
Highways
Mercer County Joint Sewer Agency
Police
Planning (Local and Regional)
Recycling
Storm Water
Zoning (Local and Regional)
Mayor
President of Council

PAYMENT OF BILLS

ADJOURNMENT

December 4, 2018

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by Vice President, Clark Eberhart who led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Maryjo Harakal, Russell Shaffer, Donna Lapikas, Patti LaRocca, Doug Robbins, Barbara Dunlap, Gregory Lengyel, Ron Sanford, Gregg Sanford, Cameron McConahy, and Monica Simko. Visitors attending: Jennifer Lengyel and Jim Scott.

Patti LaRocca made a motion to accept the November 2018 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas and passed with all voting yes.

Clark Eberhart read the Treasurer's Report for the Month of November 2018. Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas and passed with all present voting yes.

Clark Eberhart read the sewer bills for approval. Clark Eberhart made a motion to pay the sewer bills as read; this motion was seconded by Russell Shaffer and passed with all present voting yes.

Barb Dunlap stated we can only assess fines to the delinquent sewer bills. There is not a large amount of accounts that are behind, only three (3) properties have two (2) liens assessed.

Donna Lapikas read the Fire Report for the month of October, 2018. The Clark Voluntary Fire Department responded to four (4) calls. Donna Lapikas made a motion to accept the fire report as read. Doug Robbins seconded the motion and the motion passed with all present voting yes.

Mayor Maryjo Harakal Police Report for the month of August, 2018. The Hermitage Police conducted 43.5 hours of patrol, responding to 12 calls for service in the Borough of Clark during the month. Russ Shaffer made a motion to accept the police report. Doug Robbins seconded the motion and the motion passed with all present voting yes.

An overview for Security Cameras from SmartWatch Systems (\$8,743.49) vs CrossIt (\$13,418.93) was discussed. Maryjo Harakal requested installation in 2018. Doug Robbins motioned to accept the quote from SmartWatch Systems. The motion was seconded by Russ Shaffer with all present voting yes.

Jim Scott attended the meeting to discuss issues on Dr. Joseph T. Joseph's property. He asked for a description of a junkyard, if Dr. Joseph's property is commercial or residential and if there was an ordinance for what can be placed on property. Maryjo Harakal read the definition of a junkyard, advised that we would see if an ordinance exists for his request, and that Dr. Joseph's property is commercial. Jim Scott also asked

if a permit was needed for a pipe to be installed in the culver off of Milton Street on Dr. Joseph's property. Maryjo Harakal advised Yes it has to be sized to the ordinance guidelines of fifteen inches (15), no less that twelve inches (12).

Patti LaRocca reported on the Dinner she attended. Wendy provided her information on web seminars. Ed Fasnaught advised to call if we needed anything.

Greg Lengyel requested permission to purchase a filter and UV light for the Food Service Requirement that is up this month. Doug Robbins made a motion to approve. Cameron McConahy seconded this motion.

Russ Shaffer made a motion to purchase tires for the truck at a cost of not more than \$300.00 per tire and to take the funds from the Equipment Reserve account not Liquid Fuels. Donna Lapikas seconded this motion with all present voting yes.

Gregg Sanford advised that there is a build-up of water from the storm water on the north side of the driveway and that leaves have been being pulled out of the drain.

Maryjo Harakal read the Consumer Bulletin from the Office of Consumer Advocate for upcoming Public Input Hearings regarding the Proposed Rate Increase Request of Aqua Pennsylvania. Maryjo Harakal stated that if anyone was interested she would leave the flyer for them to view.

Ron Sanford discussed why the Fire Dept. needs their funding increased from one (1) mill to two (2) mills. Ron Sanford advised that they lost the game dinners and bingo and that there are two (2) EMT's moving into the area and we could possibly get our EMT certification back. Council agrees that more millage is needed, but we need to see their budget to be able to move forward.

Patti LaRocca made a motion to bring Monica Simko's paycheck current from one (1) month arrears by providing two (2) paychecks in December 2018. Russ Shaffer seconded this motion will all present voting yes.

Russ Shaffer made a motion to compensate Scott Sigworth for three (3) months of wages in the amount of \$2,161.63 less taxes. This is due to Scott working without pay to train Monica Simko as his replacement for the months of August, September and October. Donna Lapikas seconded this motion with all present voting yes.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to postpone the meeting until November 13, 2018 to allow time to meet with Fire department. Motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas with all present voting yes.

At the continuation meeting held on November 13, 2018 at 6pm, Maryjo Harakal advised that she had met with Ron Sanford, Gregg Sanford and their bookkeeper, Cindy. The fire budget was provided. Ron Sanford advised that they have 18 true members, 8-9 that could fight fire and that with the loss of the game dinners and bingo they no longer had

\$11,000.00 or more coming in. Maryjo Harakal advised to give the Fire dept. an increase that is equivalent to an additional one (1) mill in 2019 and a plan to increase the millage will be discussed in 2020.

Donna Lapikas made a motion to accept the 2019 budget as written and to advertise that it is on display. Patti LaRocca seconded the motion with all present voting yes.

Doug Robbins advised that SmartWatch requested payment up front to purchase equipment. Council agrees to pay half up front. Russ Shaffer made a motion to pay SmartWatch \$5,000.00 up to \$7,500.00 up front and the remainder after installation is complete. Cameron McConahy seconded this motion with all present voting yes.

Doug Robbins read the Payroll Distribution, General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of December 2018. Russ Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills as read. The motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas and passed with all voting yes.

Clark Eberhart made a motion to adjourn the meeting Motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas with all present voting yes.

Monica M. Simko, Secretary/Treasurer

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