

New Stanton Borough Council meeting

January 17, 2013

The January 17, 2013 Council meeting of the Borough of New Stanton was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Council President Scott Sistik. The meeting was held at the Municipal building, 451 North Center Avenue, New Stanton, Pennsylvania. A Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Members present were Scott C. Sistik, Wilbur Bussard, Brandon Clawson, Dean Clark, Thomas Smith, and Linda Echard. Also present Mayor Nicholas DeSantis. Councilman Todd Bartlow and Junior Councilperson Carolyn Loucks were absent.

Mr. Bendo of Penn Dot addressed Council about the revised plan for the I-70 interchange project.

Approval of Bills & Minutes

Wilbur Bussard made a motion second by Dean Clark to pay bills in the amount of \$35,048.01. Motion carried.

Brandon Clawson made a motion second by Dean Clark to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2013 Council meeting. Motion carried.

Council President added the following to the agenda: a motion to authorize Emil Bove to attend the Zoning Hearing Board meeting and under Executive Session under Personnel-Public Works.

Public comment on Agenda items only

There was no public comment on the agenda items.

Reports

Council President

Scott Sistik

Council President Scott Sistik appointed members of Council to individual committees and liaisons to the Fire Department, Planning Commission and Recreation Board. The list can be found on our website or at the Borough office.

Wilbur Bussard made a motion second by Linda Echard to sign a contract with Keystone Collections for the collection of Delinquent Earned Income Tax. Motion carried.

Council put a hold on the Borough Newsletter until everyone had a chance to look at the old one and either add or remove items.

Wilbur Bussard made a motion second by Brandon Clawson to pay 2013 membership fees of \$125.00 for the COG. Motion carried.

Wilbur Bussard made a motion second by Dean Clark to authorizing Emil Bove of Bove Engineering to attend the Zoning Hearing Board meeting on January 30, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.

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Announcements

1. **Recreation Board – Night at the Races – New Stanton Fire Hall – Jan. 26, 2013**
Doors open 5:30 p.m. – races start 6:30 p.m.
2. **Gun Bash – NSVFD – Saturday, March 9, 2013 – doors open 3:00 p.m.**
3. **ZHB – Hearing – January 30, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. – variances – Speedway/Convenience Store**

Opportunity for Public Comment

The Assistant Secretary and Secretary Treasurer addressed Council about what to do when one is sick and also consider letting us both work Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. this would resolve situations like that. Council President stated that Personnel Committee will look at what you proposed.

Councilman Smith addressed Council and stated that he is not a politician; I am an honest elected official of the Borough of New Stanton. What was done last meeting, I don't feel was right to me and I feel someone should have talked to me about it and this would have saved a lot of hard feelings. I thought it was low and underhanded for a group of elected officials to do this. It killed trust in my fellow council members and it killed the respect. I will work and do what I can for this Borough until my time is up and I have three (3) more years to go.

Councilman Smith stated that a Councilmember used Borough equipment, Borough employees on Borough time. I talked to somebody about this and they said think about it because things like this don't look good for the Borough. I will wait until Monday and make my decision.

Councilman Smith stated as far as I am concerned everything that happened last week I am burying.

Mr. John Giernacky addressed Council about speed humps and asked why they were put in and if they could both be removed.

Executive Session

Personnel – Borough Manager Position
Public Works

Brandon Clawson made a motion to go into executive session at 7:56 p.m.

Dean Clark made a motion to come out of executive session at 9:14 p.m.

Wilbur Bussard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Ann Roll

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Secretary