

Borough of New Stanton
Borough Council
July 31, 2018
Minutes of Meeting

Attendance

Council members: Linda Echard, Tom Smith, Tom Theis and Ray Strosko. Others: Public Works Team Leader John Barnes, Solicitor John Campfield and Borough Manager Jeffrey McLaughlin. Absent: Council Members Todd Bartlow, Joshua Bennett, and Scott Sistek, Mayor Ronald Echard, and Borough Engineer Emil Bove.

Call to Order

President Raymond Strosko called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM.

Invocation

Linda recited a prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Linda made a motion seconded by Tom T. approving the July 3, 2018 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Tom T. made a motion seconded by Linda approving the July 17, 2018 minutes. Motion passed with all voting in favor except for Linda who abstained.

Guest

NSVFD Chief Rob Cammarata

Rob discussed the letter that was provided to council from the PA Turnpike Commission regarding response changes. He also discussed the status on the fire department's audit and organizational status. Lastly, he touched upon a resolution, passed by the fire department, a copy of which was provided to council, regarding the condition of the fire department building and discussing a strategy to address the situation.

Opportunity for Public Comment – Items not on the Agenda

Ray asked if there were any public comments on items not on the agenda. There were none.

Council Additions to Agenda

Ray asked if any council members had items to add to the agenda. There were none.

Opportunity for Public Comment -- on Agenda Items Only

There were none.

Agenda

1. M/V to Purchase Tractor with Boom Mower

Council discussed purchasing a tractor and boom mower from a private owner, Alan Bartnikowski located in Yorktown, Virginia. John Campfield reviewed the borough code bidding requirements, a copy of which he passed out. To ensure that the tractor/mower is in good working order council discussed paying a garage in Virginia to inspect it or sending John Barnes to inspect it.

Council held a conference call with Mr. Bartnikowski to discuss a possible transaction and the logistics of picking up the tractor / mower.

After discussion, Tom T. made a motion seconded by Linda, to purchase a 1990 Ford tractor with boom mower for \$20,000. Motion passed unanimously.

2. M/V to Pay for Portion of Youngwood Tractor / Boom Mower Repair

Jeff said that Youngwood Borough had to have their tractor/boom mower repaired and they have asked us to pay half of the bill since they cut our right-of-way areas as well as their own. He stated that they just got the tractor/boom mower back and have already begun to cut our right-of-way areas. They have not yet contacted us with a final amount for the repair.

Tom T. made a motion seconded by Linda tabling the paying of a portion of the bill for the Youngwood tractor/boom mower repair. Motion passed unanimously.

3. M/V to Advertise Garbage Collection RFP

John C. said that we typically do not put this out to bid until October or November, so it was decided to table this item. There was also a discussion about issues on a national level with the recycling market and how this may affect our next contract. The borough is not required to recycle. John also discussed the picking up of hazardous materials.

Tom T. made a motion seconded by Linda tabling the advertising of the garbage collection RFP. Motion passed unanimously.

4. M/V to Close Arona Rd., Wentsler Avenue, E. Byers Ave., & S. Main St. for Stanwood Color Run on October 21, 2018, 9 -11 AM

Linda made a motion seconded by Tom T. approving the closure of Arona Rd., Wentsler Ave., E. Byers Ave., & S. Main St. for the Stanwood Color Run on October 21, 2018, 9 -11. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

No announcements.

Adjournment

Tom T. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey McLaughlin
Secretary