

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2019**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Vice President, Kathleen Zdonowski, Cindy Hower, Joe Gosnell, Rosemarie Wenzelberger and Carl Zito. Pam Davis was absent.
- Borough Secretary/Treasurer Anita Caughy and Mayor Ken Zemencsik were present.
- Solicitor Gary Asteak and Chief John Soloe were present.

The Meeting was called to order by Council President, Amy Richard, at 7:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

- There were no public comments

Council Comment

- There were no Council comments

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Kathleen Zdonowski, Seconded by Carl Zito to approve Council Meeting Minutes of October 30, 2019, as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Kathleen Zdonowski, Seconded by Carl Zito to approve Council Meeting Minutes of November 4, 2019, as written. Motion carried unopposed
- **Motion** by Kathleen Zdonowski, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to approve accounts payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through November 18, 2019. Motion carried unopposed.
- A letter was distributed to Council from Entech Engineering dated November 7, 2019 informing them that Entech would be applying to the H2O PA Water Supply, Sanitary Sewer & Storm Water Projects grant program on behalf of the Borough of Stockertown.
- Letter dated November 12, 2019 from Northampton County Assessment Division was distributed to Council stating that the assessed property value for tax purposes is \$26,384,400.

Mayor Report

- Mayor Zemencsik had nothing to report.

Police

- The Police Department received a Calibration Agreement from YCG which included a yearly prepay amount of \$805.00, a pay per calibration amount which would total \$924.00 for the year, as well as an on-site fee in the amount of \$150 per visit. Council was asked for their approval for the on-site fee rather than having an officer spend the day taking each police vehicle to another site for calibrations. After discussion, Council agreed to the prepay amount of \$805.00 along with the \$1,050 fee for the on-site calibrations for the year 2020.

Agenda

- Council was provided with a Quote from Signal Service, Inc. to install a video detection system in the amount of \$3,574.00 to replace the loop for the traffic light at Rt. 191 and Main Street. They stated that the loop has failed due to poor road surface conditions. Chief Soloe was asked whether the traffic light was working properly and he stated that it was. Council rejected the quote since the traffic light is working fine.
- The Borough's Liability Insurance Carrier has provided a quote for Cyber Insurance for the computers to be considered. Council asked that Anita Caughy, Borough Secretary, to reach out to the Borough's IT Specialist for his opinion. The matter will be tabled until the next meeting.
- A Quote was distributed to Council from General Code in the amount of \$3,880 to \$5,065 to codify 10 new Ordinances including a review of new legislation and proper placement in the Code. After discussion between Council and the Borough Solicitor, it was decided that the Borough will continue to index its own Ordinance and not send them out to General Code for the quoted amount.
- Council reviewed the General Fund and Sewer Fund Budgets with the changes made at the prior council meeting. The Budgets will be finalized at the next council meeting.

Executive Session

- **Motion** by Carl Zito, Seconded by Cindy Hower to enter into Executive Session for personnel salary discussion. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Carl Zito to exit Executive Session and enter back into Regular Session. Motion carried unopposed.

Zoning

- John Soloe informed Council of an email received regarding a scoping permit submitted to PennDot for a project at Tolino's Service Car Wash. He stated that the description is unclear as to what they intend to do. The diagram shows changing out a 500 gal. sediment tank to a 1,000 gal. sediment tank with a line connected to the Borough's storm drain. Mr. Soloe stated that whatever they were doing needs to be inspected to be sure it does not affect the flow rate. He stated that he does not understand why they applied to PennDot for this scoping permit and that there is no clarity as to what it is for. It was suggested that the email be forwarded to Jeff Morgan, the sewer engineer, for his input and request that he call John Soloe to discuss the matter.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Carl Zito, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:25 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on December 2, 2019

The foregoing was approved the **2nd** day of **December, 2019**.

President of Council

Attest: _____