

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16, 2023**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 16, 2023 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Vice President, Kathleen Zdonowski, Pam Davis, Cindy Hower, Joe Gosnell and Katie Santiago.
- Solicitor Steven Mills, Mayor Rosemarie Wenzelberger, Secretary/Treasurer Candace Keller were present. Council Member Renee Cantwell was absent.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Cindy Hower to approve Council Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2023 as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Pam Davis, to approve accounts payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through October 16, 2023. Motion carried unopposed.

Mayor's Report

Public Works – Leaf pick up will begin on Nov. 6 and end on Dec. 1. The newest truck is being repaired due to a computer problem. This is covered under the warranty.

Solicitor – Appeal of 103 Verma, Inc. – Council discussed appealing the zoning hearing board's decision at last meeting, it was tabled.

- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Katie Santiago to not appeal the Zoning Hearing Board decision on 103 Verma, Inc. Motion carried unopposed.

Agenda - Animal Control Service with Naz. COG (Kibbles and Paws) for \$1830/year. No increase this year.

- **Motion** by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to continue the Animal Control Service for 2024 at the same fee as last year \$1830.
- **IT Quote – Keystone Technology** – Presentation by Andy Gildner to update and service our computer IT needs. Mr. Gildner shared how he would be able to help in pricing and efficiency. Final quote will be forthcoming

Public Comment:

- **State Police Officer Geerlof** attended the council meeting to introduce himself and offer ways he would be able to assist and help the Borough with police needs, including assistance with speeding and truck traffic on the Main Roads. He also commented on providing programs for the community and any other needs the Borough has. They will be out patrolling Halloween evening. The council thanked him for coming in. The seatbelt program went over very well and there will be more programs in the future. He assured council they have an eye on Stockertown.
- **Eric Wenzelberger** inquired about status of the trees at Newhart park. Amy Richard reported the trees were all cut and the wood was placed to one area which will be cleaned up as time permits.
- **Amy Richard** reported Constables in Borough police cars patrolling on Trick or Treat and giving out candy and glow sticks as done in the past. Public Works will be off duty October 30 – November 3.
- **Joe Gosnell** inquired about leaves for those who live on the state road. Most residents rake or blow the leaves slightly into road and on curb. Attorney Mills stated no leaves should be on the street and avoid the curb as well. The mounds of leaves should be placed as close to property side of sidewalk. Amy Richard remarked our hose on the machine reaches further than it did last year so there should be no problem in reaching the leaves. Amy Richard asked Atty. Mills if the paving was going to continue on Main Street. Attorney Mills stated the delay has to do with lack of concrete. Also, Amy Richard stated the bridge on Main Street needs to be inspected which the Borough has communicated to Penn Dot multiple times. So far, does not seem like a priority. Amy Richard stated we are waiting on grant approval of Lincoln Avenue. We have one grant approval and need the second one to complete the project.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:04pm. Motion carried unopposed

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on November 6, 2023.

The foregoing was approved the **6th** day of **November, 2023**.

President of Council

Attest: _____