

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 17, 2020**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2020 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

- No Public Comments

Council Comment

- No Council Comments

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Kathleen Zdonowski, Seconded by Cindy Hower to approve Council Meeting Minutes of February 3, 2020, 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 February 17, 2020. Motion carried unopposed.

Zoning

- John Soloe informed Council that there was a meeting held several weeks ago to discuss the future of the Borough over the next couple of years with what is potentially on the horizon. He stated that the growth potential is inevitable with the connection to the new sewer line with Easton. John Sole and Amy Richard put together a group to discuss the resources within the Borough to handle additional streets with the Borough's current equipment and man power available. The demands on the Police Department were discussed with respect to traffic flow. Additional school bus stops will also have to be addressed. Mr. Soloe stated that there are several parcels of land within the Borough with the potential to be developed. He stated that the growth potential is there, the question is how do we handle it. What came out of the meeting was to look at lot sizes and show how we can promote a municipality that is more rural than downtown suburban and how the Borough can provide services for the additional population.

Public Works

- Quotes were provided for flushing the sewer mains along with a video inspection of the lines. The quotes were as follows:
 - Franc Environmental, Inc. \$14,343.00
 - Elek Plumbing \$14,900.00
 - Mr. Kirby Plumbing \$44,165.25

Alex Hennings will make a decision between Franc Environmental and Elek Plumbing once additional information he requested is received. Elek Plumbing is a local company. Franc Environmental has performed emergency services for the Borough in the past. Both companies are highly qualified and have provided reasonable quotes for the job. Amy Richard asked for a Motion to approve the Sewer main flushing and video inspection with a cap of \$14,900.00

Motion by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to approve the Sewer Main Flushing and Video Inspection at a cap of \$14,900.00 Motion carried unopposed.

Agenda

- Amy Richard informed Council that Hanover Engineering is also working on an evaluation for the cost of the tap in fees for future sewer hookups.
- An email was received from Ryan Hottenstein of Financial S&Lutions who attended the previous Council Meeting to discuss the Borough's Audit method pertaining to the financing of the sewer connection project. His email stated that they are not requiring the Borough to change its method of accounting. This is a very good outcome for the Borough.
- Amy Richard asked for an executive session to discuss a personnel issue.
- Motion by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to enter into executive session at 8:08 PM for a personnel issue. Motion carried unopposed.
- Motion by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to exist executive session and return to regular session at 8:24 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell , Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:24 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on March 2, 2020
Council Meeting for March 2, 2020 was cancelled.

The foregoing was approved the **4th** day of **May, 2020**.

President of Council

Attest:_____