# STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2023

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2023 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

#### Attendance

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Vice President, Kathleen Zdonowski, Cindy Hower, Joe Gosnell, Katie Santiago and Pam Davis. Renee Cantwell was absent.
- Mayor Rosemarie Wenzelberger was present.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA APPROVAL

## **Secretary / Treasurer Report**

- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to approve Council Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2023, as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- Motion by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to approve accounts payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through February 20, 2023. Motion carried unopposed.

# **Mayor Report**

- Amy Richard read a report from Dan Monek which he submitted to Mayor Wenzelberger regarding candidates who applied for the police openings. The search will continue with those qualified individuals in mind.
- The County will be changing to a new radio frequency system again with the 9-1-1 center. The County will not be paying for this upgrade, however possible grants will be available to help cover the cost. Costs are estimated to be close to \$75,000. This is for 3 cars and 3 portable radios.
- He stated that in the last update from MPOETC Jan.1, 2023, all officers must undergo at least 24 hours minimum yearly training. Costs and particulars are being looked into.

#### Zoning

 Amy Richard informed council she met with Suzanne Borzak as a perspective Zoning Officer. They reviewed documentation and the current fee schedule. Ms Borzak was receptive to being here at least one day a week or as needed. She works for Keycodes which does our code enforcements and she would be hired as our Zoning Officer. Amy Richards asked for a motion to appoint her as the new Zoning Officer.  Motion by Katie Santiago, Seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to appoint Suzanne Borzak from Keycodes Inspection Agency as the Borough's new Zoning Officer. Motion carried unopposed.

## **Public Works**

- Roofing quotes will be tabled until next meeting. During discussion, Kathleen Zdonowski recommended that warranties be very clear and detailed.
- Quotes for playground equipment were presented for review to replace the
  equipment that was destroyed when a tree fell in Newhart Park. Insurance will cover
  some of the costs and the rest will come from the recreation fund.
   Recommendation was made to check options at the Amish Market Place.

## **Agenda**

- The Bauers, in a letter to Council, inquired about putting some of their land into farm preservation. Amy Richard spoke to Suzanne Borzak and she will look into zoning regarding this. A letter was received by Judy Bauer, which Amy Richard read. It stated their land does not qualify for the program because it does not touch another farmland. It stands alone. However, it does qualify for the 2 other programs.
- The Secretary position was discussed and Council decided to go forward with the applicant at hand, Candace Bowers Keller. Background checks were agreed upon. Amy Richard asked for a motion.
- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Joe Gosnell to hire Candace Bowers Keller as new secretary under standard probationary period of 90 days.

## Adjournment

 Motion by Kathleen Zdonowski, Seconded by Pam Davis to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:11 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

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

The foregoing was approved the 6th day of March 2023.

President of Council

Attest:\_\_\_\_\_\_