

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 3, 2021**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021 AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Cindy Hower, Renee Cantwell, Pamela Davis and Rosemarie Wenzelberger. Vice President, Kathleen Zdonowski and Joe Gosnell were absent.
- Solicitor Gary Asteak, Chief Eric Schwab, Borough Secretary/Treasurer Anita Caughy and Mayor Ken Zemencsik were present.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

- There was no public comment

Council Comment

- There was no council comment

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to approve Council Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2021, as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Pam Davis to approve accounts payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through May 3, 2021. Motion carried unopposed.

Mayor Report

- Mayor Zemencsik stated that he was finally able to speak to Bob Kilbanks from Representative Joe Emrick's office regarding the snow plowing by PennDot of Main Street and possibly paving Main Street between Forks Township and Plainfield. He was instructed to contact Steve Ehlman of PennDot to assist. Mayor Zemencsik will follow up with Mr. Ehlman.

Police

- Chief Eric Schwab read out the calls for service for the month of April. He reported that there 2 Arrests, one Criminal; 8 Assist other Agencies, including the Drug Task Force; 77 Traffic Summons; 20 Traffic Warnings, including miscellaneous calls for a total of 139 Calls from April 1 to April 30, 2021.
- Chief Schwab stated that Officer Castelletti is doing very well and working shifts on his own.

Zoning

- John Soloe informed Council that Joshua Tree withdrew their Variance request at the Zoning Hearing Board Meeting. They are still requesting approval for limited pest control for their business.
- The Zoning Hearing Board granted Fork's Church Cemetery request for a dimensional variance.
- An updated Fee Schedule was presented to Council for review labeled as **Resolution 2021-1 Borough Fee Schedule**. John Soloe stated that there are minimal changes. One major change in the fee schedule is the sewer tapping fee. Amy Richard asked Mr. Soloe if the changes were comparable to the surrounding towns. Mr. Soloe stated that they are.
- Amy Richard asked for a Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-1, Borough Fee Schedule.
- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to adopt **Resolution 2021-1, Borough Fee Schedule** enacted on May 3, 2021. Motion carried unopposed.

- John Soloe stated that he has been getting several requests for sewer taps. He has advised everyone that there will be no sewer taps granted until the completion of the sewer interceptor project.

Agenda

- Amy Richard requested that Council approve a proposal from Hanover Engineering to conduct a survey of Lincoln Street. The purpose is to determine what is involved to widen and pave the street. She would like to be sure Lincoln Street could be used as an ingress and egress out of town for any accidents or emergencies which may occur on Main Street.
- **Motion** by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to approve Hanover Engineering to conduct a survey of Lincoln Street. Motion carried unopposed.
- Amy Richard asked if there were any other comments. Eric Wenzelberger expressed concern for the crumbling supports under the bridge by Newhart Park. He was advised that PennDot has been informed of the deterioration and that it is believed to be on the bridge repair list.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:03 PM. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to enter back into regular session at 8:04 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

Additional Item

- Amy Richard requested approval from Council to also survey the small portion of Werkheiser Street which comes off of Lincoln Avenue in order to consider vacating the street.
- Solicitor Asteak stated that a survey would have to be taken of the entire width and length of the street to prepare a legal description. We would then advertise a public hearing to adopt an Ordinance to Vacate the street. Each side would then get one-half of the street. Amy Richard asked whether it would benefit the Borough to maintain or vacate the street. Once the Borough receives the outcome of the survey, a decision can then be made as to whether the Borough vacates the street.

Amy Richard asked for a Motion to approve Hanover Engineering to also survey Werkheiser Street.

- **Motion** by Cindy Hower, Seconded by Pam Davis to approve Hanover Engineering to survey Werkheiser Street. Motion carried unopposed

- **Motion** by Pam Davis, Seconded by Renee Cantwell to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:07 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on May 17, 2021.
The May 17, 2021 Council Meeting was cancelled.

The foregoing was approved the **7th** day of **June, 2021**.

President of Council

Attest: _____