

***Summerhill Borough Council***  
***Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting***  
**February 12, 2019**

The regular monthly meeting for Summerhill Borough Council was opened by Vice-President Becky Templeton at 7:00pm, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council members present; Brad Bodenschatz, Russell Jones, Becky Templeton, Joni Trovato and Terri Washko.

Others present; Secretary/Treasurer Laura L. Penatzer, Mayor Eric Miller, Electrician Robert McCormick, Street Commissioner Thomas Susko, Electric Secretary/Tax Collector Karmen Baumgardner, Daniel Beyer (The EADS Group) and Ron Portash (Mainline Newspapers).

The minutes were approved, by a motion from Joni Trovato, second by Terri Washko; unanimous approval.

The financial statements were approved by a motion from Russell Jones, second by Joni Trovato; unanimous approval.

By a motion from Terri Washko, the bills were approved, second by Brad Bodenschatz; unanimous approval.

The budgets for the end of the January were at 9%.

No fund transfer was due for the paying of the bills.

**Correspondence:**

The minutes were received and reviewed from the Forest Hills Municipal Authority, from their December meeting.

The minutes from Laurel Municipal Inspection Agency from January were reviewed, with no permits issued. The February meeting is being cancelled due to weather.

The agenda for January was received from Forest Hills Regional Alliance, with the next meeting to be held in Summerhill Township on the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month, at 7:00pm.

The Croyle Township Police Department report was received for the month of January with nine incidents reported.

AMP submitted a Wholesale Power Costs Summary for the year of 2018. All are encouraged to review.

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Southern Alleghenies Emergency Medical Services Council would like to invite all of Council to attend their 2019 Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 08:30am, at the Omni Bedford Springs Resort. This is an excellent opportunity for everyone to hear from members of the EMS community about their services in the Commonwealth. Featured speakers will be discussing SR 6 Overview and Success in Municipal Funding for EMS.

**Old Business:**

There were sixteen delinquent light accounts, with three certified letters to be sent (#703, #1525 and #2850).

Daniel Beyer, The EADs Group, made Council aware that there are seven new grants available, with Mr. Beyer suggesting applying for several, mainly the CFA-GTRP, which has a \$100 application fee. By a motion from Brad Bodenschatz, Mr. Beyer was instructed to apply for the CFA-GTRP and the Penn DOT grants, second by Joni Trovato; unanimous approval.

Mr. Beyer also stated that regarding the sidewalk project, a railing will need to be added to the plans for the project, in the approximate amount of thirty-thousand dollars, with the Quashnie property owners still needing to sign off on the release form.

The codification is still in the progress, with the Secretary/Treasurer working with them to keep them updated on the newest resolutions and Ordinances.

A list of what Christmas Lights Councilwomen Joni Trovato and Terri Washko suggest to order is handed out to Council, after some discussion, a motion was made by Joni Trovato to order the seventy lights, without the brackets, with a total approximate cost of twenty-six thousand dollars, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval. The idea of a letter to the residents asking for donations for the lights was also discussed, with Becky Templeton to draft a letter for all of Council to review.

**New Business:**

Resolution 2-2019; TO APPROVE THE FORM AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A POWER SALES CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER, INC. AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN THE AMP R.I.C.E. PEAKING PROJECT was approved by a motion from Terri Washko, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

The POWER SALES CONTRACT REGARDING THE AMP R.I.C.E. PEAKING PROJECT BETWEEN AMERICAN MUNICIPAL POWER INC. AND THE BOROUGH OF SUMMERHILL, PA was approved by Brad Bodenschatz, second by Terri Washko; unanimous

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approval.

The amended "Power Sales Contract" between AMP and the Borough of Summerhill was approved by Terri Washko, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

Councilwoman Terri Washko will vote, for the first time for Summerhill Borough, for the PMEA Board of Directors.

Another junk violation complaint has been verbally received regarding the Jean Galla property on Tunnel Street. Mayor Eric Miller will speak with LMIA at their next meeting regarding this issue.

Also, a verbal complaint was received regarding the plowing on Main Street. The problem comes down to, certain residents do not move their cars during plowing hours, but there is also nowhere else for them to park. This is an ongoing problem that there is nothing that can be done, but to plow them in.

During the last storm, a frozen pipe burst in the office and meeting room, causing some damage to the floor tile in the conference room, the wainscoting in both the office and the conference room, etc.. EMC Insurance was contacted, with the municipality having a one-thousand dollar deductible. The claim has been filed, with an estimate needing to be received prior to the check to be sent from the insurance company. A committee of Daryl Bodenschatz, Russell Jones and Nicole Crowell was appointed, for any renovations needed. Once the estimate is received, the Secretary/Treasurer will contact the insurance company.

Street Commissioner Thomas Susko reminds Council that if any of the streets/alleys need to be paved, the bids should go out soon. Mr. Susko will contact Mike Bowser from the Penn DOT to get streets measured. West Jackson Street, Dibert Street, Bridge Street and Madison Street are the worst.

It was also reported that the new Dodge truck has now been broken down mechanical, with electrical problems twice in the last month or so.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm by a motion from Terri Washko, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

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President

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Mayor

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Secretary/Treasurer