

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

The regular monthly meeting for Summerhill Borough Council was opened by President Daryl Bodenschatz with the pledge allegiance to the flag.

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

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

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

By a motion from Joni Trovato, the financial statements from the previous meeting were approved, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

The bills were approved with a motion from Russell Jones, second by Becky Templeton; unanimous approval.

No fund transfer was needed for payment of bills.

The budgets for the end of October are at 84%.

**Correspondence:**

The minutes from the Forest Hills Municipal Authority were reviewed.

The minutes from Laurel Municipal Inspection Agency were discussed, with one permit being issued in October and one violation letter being sent. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am at Ebensburg Borough Municipal building.

The agenda from Forest Hills Regional Alliance was reviewed, with the next meeting to be held in Adams Township on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. The resolution for the new comprehensive plan is pending due to new drafts possibly being sent.

There were eleven incidents for the October report by the Croyle Township police.

Numerous channels are being changed again by Comcast with several different effective date throughout the end of the year, all subscribers will be notified by Comcast.

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**Old Business:**

There were eight delinquent light accounts on the November report, with one certified letter to be sent out.

The split rail fence at the ball field has been erected, with "Keep Off Fence" signs being posted, and many compliments being received. The step project to be done by H & S may not be completed this year due to the weather.

The EADS Group have been notified of the sidewalk sinking at the ball field and will be monitored again in the spring. New issues will be reported to The EADS Group, if any are found, being there is a year of warranty.

Final payment, payment application #5 for \$47,298.40 from Kishmo is approved by a motion from Becky Templeton, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

An extension to approve the draft codification has been filed with American Legal Publishing Corporation.

The Welcome to Summerhill signs has been put on hold until the spring.

Two larger child swing seats have been purchased and will be changed out in the spring. The plow and spreader have been put on the truck and a crack has been found that need sealed under the door jamb of the main door in the upper part of the building.

A large frame has been purchased and a graphic design is in the works for the Light-Up-Fund plaque; costing only approximately one hundred dollars.

The civil injunction paperwork has been drafted, reviewed and will be moved forward with on the property located at 1335 Railroad Street, with Attorney Stofko filing the paperwork. Act 152 monies have been applied for that will enable the property to be put on a list, which may take two years, where the Borough would acquire the property and be able to tear it down.

Speeding continues to be a problem, with a complaint received from a resident on Jackson Street, regarding a coal truck driving around a school bus, with the school buses lights and sign out. Complaints have been filed from the witness and the school resource officer.

Karmen Baumgardner asks how to obtain a bus stop sign in the area of her residence at 303 Main Street. Mrs. Baumgardner spoke with a safety officer from PennDOT, who instructed her to contact the school district, Council agrees.

Sidewalk ordinances are continued to be reviewed, in order to have one drafted for Summerhill

Borough.

**Old Business:**

County liquid fuels for the years of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 have been encumbered totaling \$12,800.00, to be used on the next road project.

**New Business:**

A meeting was held with American Municipal Power and Power Secure regarding Power Block Generation Systems, together working on a business proposal and a survey of the line system to see if the project is feasible. During peak demand times, this system will reduce the amount of power the borough has to purchase from electric providers.

The 2020 budgets for next year are being worked on and will be presented at the next regular monthly meeting.

Questions arose if the rates of the refuse will be increased for next year, with Mayor Eric Miller to speak with Croyle Township Supervisors.

Issues with abandoned alleys within the borough have been an ongoing issue, therefore, Attorney Stofko will be asked for suggestions regarding quiet titles, etc.

Electrician Robert McCormick reported that the Dollar General has accepted a three-phase agreement for the electric on the new structure and will be moving forward with the erection of the business.

Councilwoman Becky Templeton hands out an informational packet on proposes of raising the mileage, showing current rates from the surrounding areas and amounts of income that would be received, with three different rates and the projected income over the next five years.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm by a motion from Becky Templeton, second by Russell Jones; unanimous approval.

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President

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Mayor

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Secretary/Treasurer