

WOMELSDORF BOROUGH WORKSHOP MEETING

**Held at 101 W. High Street on
April 19, 2022**

Council President Bruce Edwards called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Council Members: Josh Fidler, James Mellon Sr Connie Keller, Bruce Edwards, Wayne Miller, Mayor Jennifer Gettle (arrive at 7:37 pm), Cindy Hopple, Police Chief John Pontician. Kraft Codes Jeff Fiant (left at 7:47 pm), Maintenance Manager Carl Liptak, Borough Manager Nick Imbesi and Secretary Rachel Brown.

ABSENT: Hector Feliciano

BILLS TO BE PAID

Council members reviewed and discussed the list of bills to be paid. **Motion** moved by Mr. Mellon seconded by Mr. Fidler to approve the list of bills to be paid as listed in the amount of \$25,047.27. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

Motion moved by Mr. Fidler, seconded by Mrs. Hopple to pay the current payroll. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion moved by Mrs. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Mellon to pay payroll between meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS - Request for fire police assistance at Richland Borough Neptune Fire Company on Saturday June 18th 2022 for their 100th Annual Lebanon County Fire Fighter's Parade. **Motion** made by Mrs. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Miller with the okay from the Fire Police. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

Michael Eshelman – 32 E High St- no comment

Eileen Zerbe- 106 S Pine St. – Ask about the property next to Tower Health.

Trondell Windley- 149 E High St- no comment

Wanda Moore – 218 Mill Spring Rd, Scarlett McMullen & Andrew Foreacre- 53 Seltzer Ave - Explained how the TNR program works. They can also get vaccinated for rabies when they are getting neutered. Borough Manager Nick Imbesi explained about the possible solutions for TNR programs.

EMPLOYEES/BOARD MEMBERS/ AUTHORITIES/COMMISSIONS –

Maintenance Manager- Carl Liptak- Pool is ready for paint. Waiting to hear back from him on a scheduled date. Concrete quote from Charlie to fix step and railing at Library is \$400.00. **Motion** made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fidler for the \$400.00 to fix the steps and railing. Motion carried unanimously. Discussion about the concrete at the pool that floods near the diving area. Discussion on cementing from the walkway to the pavilion. Quote for cement work \$5,400.00. **Motion** made by Mrs. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Fidler for cementing the grass area between the pavilion and the diving area for \$5,400.00. Motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Edwards has been doing garden work on the hill at the pool. She is looking donations of rocks, dirt and low maintenance ground covering plants.

KRAFT CODES- Recaps monthly report with discussion of properties. Discussion of how we can include curb & sidewalks in property transfer inspection for repair on damaged sidewalks. Will look into the property code and maintenance.

BOROUGH MANAGER Discussion on MS4. Steering community meeting on Thursday 4/21/2022. Cold Summit- Our Borough letter for the writing campaign is going in the mail tomorrow. Dave Moyer resigning from Planning Commission; **Motion** made by Mr. Fidler, seconded by Ms. Keller accepting Mr. Moyers resignation from Planning Commission with regret. Motion carried unanimously with regret.

MR. FIDLER- Rec Board – postponed meeting until May.

MR. MELLON- Handicap parking application. 16 E. High St. taking the temporary spot to a permanent one. **Motion** made by Mr. Mellon, seconded by Mrs. Hopple for handicap parking space at 16 E. High St. Motion carried unanimously. Discussion on upcoming UGI project replacing gas mains from Water St to 4th Street and east end of S. 2nd St. See if there are any residents that would like to convert to UGI while the roads are open.

MS. KELLER- Discussion on events at the library. Thank you note from the library for their new computers, laptops and book drop. There is a ribbon cutting ceremony at the library on May 4th at 6:00 pm.

MRS. HOPPLE- Pool memberships are being purchased and events are getting scheduled. Going to make an activity calendar for the summer. Food trucks are getting lined up. **Motion** made by Ms. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Fidler for hiring the Snack Bar Part-time employees, Leah Marie Peachy at \$10.50/hr., Abigail Liptak at \$10.50/hr., Reagan Wenrich at \$10.00/hr. and Charlotte Wenrich at \$10.00/hr. Motion carried unanimously. **Motion** made Mrs. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Fidler for hiring Snack Bar Part-Time employees pending upcoming interview, Chiara Noble at \$10.00/hr. and Stacey Bean at \$10.00/hr. Motion carried unanimously. May 4th 2022 at 9:00 am- 12:00 pm meeting with McCarthy for the Veterans Memorial and the Borough Hall remodel.

MR. MILLER- nothing to report.

MAYOR GETTLE/CHIEF PONTICIAN- Received an email from cold summit with safety concerns. Checked the Berks County communications and there were no calls to dispatch. Waiting to hear back from Matt Anderson from Cold Summit.

MR. EDWARDS – Issues with the Refuse total number of pickups. The monthly payment to the COG for Refuse will change to accommodate the correct number of accounts.

Moved into executive session at 8:29 pm and returned from executive session at 8:50 pm. With one action to be made. **Motion** made by Mrs. Hopple, seconded by Mr. Mellon as per Borough Manager Nick Imbesi contract 6-month review raise from \$72,00.00 to \$75,000.00. Retroactive to April 6th 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

With no further business to be brought before Council, **Motion** moved by Mr. Fidler, seconded by Ms. Keller to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel C. Brown, Secretary