

FERNDALE BOROUGH

Regular Meeting

June 9, 2022

The Ferndale Borough Council met on Thursday, June 9, 2022, in the Fireman's Recreation Hall at 618 Westinghouse Avenue, Johnstown, PA.

President Owen Hofecker called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

ROLL CALL

The Roll Call showed the following present: VP Eric Baumbaugh, Cindy Dom, Connie Hobbs, President Owen Hofecker, Mark Wissinger, Jr, Mayor Ralph Boyle, Secretary Nancy Hofecker, Street Foreman Sean Simmons and Police Chief Adam Richards. Trish Corle and Attorney Joe Green were absent.

A motion was made by Eric Baumbaugh to amend the agenda and move the Engineers Report before the visitors and public comment, seconded by Art Boring. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Cindy Dom to adopt the June 9, 2022 agenda seconded by Mark Wissinger. The motion carried.

VISITOR'S

The following visitors were present to observe: Sean Glenn, Dennis Kassick, Wes Neal, Rena Watson and Zachary Neal.

Al Cooper addressed council giving kudos to the street department for a great job and to the police department for pulling people over. He reminded everyone to lock their vehicles people are going through vehicles that are unlocked. He said that at one time section 8 was a great program but not anymore, there are too many out of town owners. Owen Hofecker said that unfortunately section 8 is a federal program and because of the fair housing act nothing can be done. The one thing that the borough can do is stay on people for the property upkeep regardless of section 8 or not.

Brett Pribulsky addressed council regarding his fireworks show for the jubilee. He is working on getting all his documents in place and will have them for the next meeting.

MINUTES

There were no changes to the May 12, 2022 minutes. A motion was made by Eric Baumbaugh to accept the minutes, seconded by Art Boring. The motion carried.

PERSONNEL

No report given.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report given.

MAYOR AND POLICE REPORTS

Mayor Ralph Boyle said that a \$100.00 donation is coming from the Harmonie Singing Society to put towards the purchase of the AED.

Mayor Ralph Boyle also said that they are working on police staffing for the jubilee.

WEST HILLS REPORT

West Hills Regional e-mailed their report to the office, if anyone would like a copy, please contact the secretary.

FERNDALE FIREMAN'S ASSOC. REPORT

No report given.

STREETS AND PROPERTY

Sean Simmons said that they started on the drains for in the park this week. They will be starting on repairing potholes once they get the park done.

The bid packets for the proposed paving project in the borough were opened. The paving project is Station Street from the traffic light back to the railroad tracks. The following bids were submitted: HRI \$42,126.85 and Quaker Sales \$36,903.78.

A motion to accept Quaker Sales to complete the paving project was made by Art Boring seconded by Cindy Dom. A roll call vote was taken with all present members voting yes. The motion carried.

TREES

No report given.

SEWER/SEWER PROJECT REPORT

Frank Diloreto was present from EADS.

Six pressure tests were completed in May. EADS will begin preparing the final flow reduction report for DEP discussing the improvements made to the system, amending the sewer ordinance, additional lateral pressure tests, and overall reduced flowrate.

Hystone Avenue Sewer Rehabilitation: Snyder Environmental Services has completed final restoration of the pavement on Hystone Ave. EADS will schedule a final inspection of the project and begin working on the closeout for the project.

Station St Walkway Rehabilitation Project: EADS has completed the survey for the area on 6/6/2022. The survey points will be imported and the design and layout of the sidewalks/stairs will begin.

Local Share Account Statewide Program: Announcement for the grants is anticipated to be the end of 2022.

GTRP Program: Grant was submitted on May 26th, 2022. Announcement for the grants is anticipated to be the end of 2022.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax Collector's Report was presented for May 2022. Total amount collected was \$7,268.81.

FINANCE/ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion to pay all Accounts Payable was made by Cindy Dom, seconded by Eric Baumbaugh. The motion carried.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

No report given.

RECREATION REPORT

Nancy said they did get the proposed contract with the YWCA and she signed off on it. The deadline to register is June 10th and as of today 15 kids have been signed up between the 2 sessions.

Mark said that Sean did get new mulch for the playground and it looks really nice.

OLD BUSINESS

Sean Glenn said the website is pretty much together. Unfortunately, the company he worked for will no longer be in existence. Sean said that we can go through Go Daddy to host the website for 2 years at \$179.76

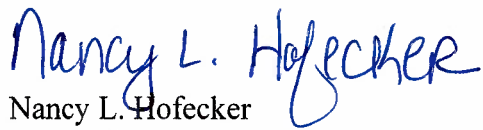
NEW BUSINESS

Owen Hofecker said that due to scheduling conflicts July 7th will be the next council meeting there will be no committee meeting in July. It was advertised that way at the beginning of the year.

Owen Hofecker said there will be a zoning hearing on Monday, June 13th at 7pm for the digital school sign that was placed up at the school.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40pm with Cindy Dom making the motion seconded by Connie Hobbs.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nancy L. Hofecker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "N" and "H".

Nancy L. Hofecker
Borough Secretary