

BOROUGH OF WILMERDING
MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF BOROUGH COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by President Stephen Shurgot at 7:00 p.m.

Council met in an executive session.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the President.

ROLL CALL: REV. DOROTHY REEVES, present; KAREN PETERSON, present; LINDA KIRK, present; KELLY MAXWELL, present; PAULA SHURGOT, present; JOHN THOMAS, present; STEPHEN SHURGOT, present. MAYOR GREGORY JAKUB was also present.

REV. REEVES / JOHN THOMAS TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 6, 2018 MEETING AS PRESENTED.

J. THOMAS: there is a thing in the minutes about the railroad, this needs to be changed from CSX to Norfolk Southern.

MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

PETITIONS & MEMORIALS

J. NANIA 406 Airbrake Avenue: 400 block of Airbrake is a mess after they pick up garbage. Police presence over the last couple week has been stepping up but before that we weren't seeing them a lot. There is a lot of drug activity going on between the 400 and 500 block.

INSPECTOR KEARNS: we have some information about a few abandoned properties along those blocks.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC SAFETY – L. KIRK: The EMS for August responded to 39 calls and had 25 transports. Their average response time for emergencies 6.7 minutes and for non-emergences was 9 minutes.

The fire department responded to 32 calls, 7 were in town and 25 out of town, 6 work details, and 6 maintenance hours.

INSPECTOR KEARNS: for the month of August we had 279 events. 5 abandoned vehicles, 7 animal complaints, 2 assaults, 3 criminal mischief, 2 disorderly conduct, 10 domestic disputes, 3 DUI, 2 fraud, 3 harassment, 6 local ordinance, 2 motor vehicle crashes, 3 motor vehicle thefts all the result of keys being left in the vehicles, 7 narcotics, 3 PFA's, 3 theft, 54 traffic stops, 5 warrants, and 1 weapons. There were a total of 30 arrests. 9 narcotics, 3 DUI's, 1 fugitive, 4 simple assault, 1 harassment, 1 public drunkenness, 1 stalking, 2 reckless endangerment, 2 disorderly conduct, 1 unsworn falsification, 2 endangering the welfare of children, 2 propulsion of missiles, 1 indirect criminal contempt.

L. KIRK: Next Crime Watch meeting is Monday September 10th at 6p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS – P. SHURGOT: They have been busy repairing the Clara Street at Marguerite where the road was rising. The brick was removed and the road was releveled. They cut back low trees along Middle, and North

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Versailles brought the brush hog down to do the walking trail, Orient, and Morningside. They removed piles of dirt from along the wall at Maple which is a continuing problem. There was routine grass cutting, and rubbish collection, cleaned a tree off Morningside, cleaned Sprague, Card and Caldwell and curbs along Marguerite. They also rented a brush mower to clean vacant lots and ordered parts for the leaf box so they can start leaf collection.

ENGINEERS REPORT - D. GILLILAND: Given in the workshop.

COG REPORT - K. PETERSON: nothing

BOROUGH PROPERTY - L. KIRK: September 18th and 19th the trees will be coming down in the park so we will need the guys to direct J&S to the playground so they can dump the chips. I am waiting for Brunner to let me know when the door will be installed. Envision painting is coming this week to give us an estimate on the Rec Room.

SOLICITOR - G. EVASHAVIK: I did some research on the scheduled Sherriff sale of Banquets Unlimited. I found that they filed a chapter 13 bankruptcy on August 1st so the sheriff sale is on hold. We also received a letter from an attorney representing Libberoni regarding some paving contract in 2016. I sent a letter in response but they have not contacted me so I have no update.

G. JAKUB: do we have any update on 318Middle?

G. EVASHAVIK: no the last I had was my report from last month. I spoke with Kyle and told him to go an inspect it and file violations but I haven't heard anything since then.

FINANCE - J. THOMAS:

J. THOMAS / P. SHURGOT TO PAY ALL THE APPROVED BILLS. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL 7-0.

J. THOMAS: I gave everybody a report from August from the tax collector and you have a running balance of the Wilmerding Days funds. There are 2 other properties going for Sherriff sale, 760 Middle and 416 Middle but I'm not sure what happened. Valley Auto owes the borough approximately \$21000.00 and the delinquent tax collectors are trying to locate the appropriate party.

RECREATION - K. MAXWELL: Hoagie sale went well, we sold 88 hoagies and made \$270.00 to be split between Recreation and the Fire Department. The car cruise is next and we did hire a DJ, I will be trying to get some donations from local businesses. Spitfirez will be selling food and we are playing the movie Cars. I will also need to purchase so decorations for Christmas but we will wait to see what is made from Octoberfest.

K. MAXWELL/K. PETERSON TO RELEASE THE \$400 FOR HALLOWEEN. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

PLANNING - REV REEVES: nothing

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

MAYOR REMARKS - G. JAKUB: I was approached by Mr. Graff who would like to attend a meeting so we set up for the October 2nd meeting.

K. MAXWELL MOTION TO ADJOURN 7:20P.M.

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