

NOVEMBER 10, 2022

## PENN LAKE PARK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

The Penn Lake Park Borough November Council meeting was held at the Penn Lake Park Community House. Council President Paul Rogan called the meeting to order at approximately 7:25 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a statement that the meeting is streamed through the conferencing app., Gotomeeting, and is being recorded.

Council President Rogan announced that a Special November Council Meeting was advertised and held on November 7, 2022 to repair Hollenback Road not to exceed \$4,500.00. Rogan also offered condolences to the family of Mike Twardy who recently passed. Mike will be remembered as a good person and friend.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Tom Carter, Council President Paul Rogan, Council members Shaun Kuter, David Longmore, and John Burden were present. Dan Eustice was absent.

### **MINUTES:**

Minutes from the October Council Meeting were distributed to council via email and posted on the Penn Lake Borough website. The copies will be recorded as the official minutes and will be posted on the Borough's website. A **Motion** to accept the October Council Meeting Minutes was made by Kuter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Longmore.

Roll Call: Kuter, Longmore, Burden, and Rogan, all in favor, none opposed.

Motion carried.

### **TREASURERS REPORT:**

The Treasurer's Report was presented. A **Motion** was made by Kuter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rogan to accept the November Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call: Kuter, Rogan, Longmore, and Burden all in favor, none opposed.

Motion carried.

### **RECEIPTS/BILLS:**

A **Motion** was made by Longmore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kuter to pay the bills of \$26,350.81 and to accept the receipts of \$25,530.67.

Roll Call: Longmore, Kuter, Burden, and Rogan all in favor, none opposed.

Motion carried.

**PETITIONS OR COMPLAINTS:** None

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

In a letter dated October 14, 2022, the White Haven Borough Council notified Penn Lake that it is terminating the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for Police Protection effective in ten days.

Maury Cronauer and John Fazzini requested permission to hold their wedding ceremony at Carter Beach with a tented reception at the ball field on August 12, 2023.

The Borough received its first Short-Term Rental application for 2023. All requirements were met.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**MAYOR – Carter** -Nothing to Report. In recognition of Veteran’s Day, Mayor Carter acknowledged the three Veterans serving on Council: Kuter, Longmore, and Burden.

**POLICE – Carter** – Requested Council reconsider the White Haven Police contract. Carter feels the Community is better served with the White Haven Police patrolling Penn Lake. Mayor Carter pointed out that four of the five contract issues were resolved with the Police and acknowledged there was a grievous error in a September 2021 Police Report. Longmore suggested putting the issue on the agenda for next year.

**SOLICITOR – Kristyn Giarrantano Jeckell** – Will review the Borough’s Ordinances.

**ZONING** – 2 permits were issued for accessory structures. The Zoning Hearing Board will meet for a variance request from Joe Lokuta.

**RECREATION– Kuter** – Nothing to Report.

**LAKE MANAGEMENT - Eustice** – No Report.

**GOOSE ABATEMENT – Kuter** – Nothing to Report.

**RTK/RECORDS –Burden** – Nothing to Report.

**ROADS –Longmore** – The repair to Hollenback Rd. was completed. Rogan stated that Dean Radenbush pointed out that the White Haven Fire Department cannot access the dry hydrant at the main beach. Rogan will investigate. Also, it was determined that the street light at the entrance to the Borough on Carter Dr. is not owned by the Borough.

**SEWERS – Rogan** – Nothing to Report.

**SHORT TERM RENTALS- Burden** – An application for a 2023 permit was received.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

***White Haven Library/YMCA Funding Request*** – A **Motion** was made by Rogan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burden to make a \$500 donation to the Library/YMCA Program.

Roll Call: Rogan, Burden, Kuter, and Longmore all in favor, none opposed.

Motion Carried.

***Speed Bumps*** – Will be continued to December Council Meeting.

***Pickle Ball/Tennis Court*** – Money has not been received from the Go Fund Me Account. It is too late in the season to make further repairs to the Tennis/Pickle Ball Court.

***Dam*** –

- October- Borton Lawson completed the field work for the 2022 dam inspection.
- 11/1/2022 Dan Cronauer and Pat Millam from the Dam Advisory Group who both have significant finance and banking experience will explore options related to the Borough’s line of credit as rising interest rates will affect the loan for the dam. The interest rate is currently 2.75%. Current expectations are that large construction related expenses won’t begin until 2024.
- 11/3/2022 A September meeting between Council President Rogan and State Senator David Argall has prompted correspondence among the Senator’s Office, Streamline, Jim Brozena, and the Dam Advisory Group that clarifies to DEP, the likely steps the Borough will pursue to remedy deficiencies identified by DEP.
- 11/9/2022 The Dam Advisory Group is moving swiftly to understand the mechanics and requirements for the FEMA FMA and BRIC Grants before completing a detailed design and permitting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**First Reading of 2023 Budget** – Council Members commented on financial state of the Borough, the need to address storm-water drainage, drain cleaning, and increasing the Budget for road repair as some roadwork projects were not completed in 2022. Rogan will make a few changes including funding for Fire Protection. A **Motion** was made by Rogan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kuter to advertise the 2023 Budget in the White Haven Journal.

Roll Call: Rogan, Kuter, Longmore, and Burden all in favor, none opposed.

Motion carried.

Rogan announced that the December Council Meeting will be held on the third Thursday of next month, December 15, 2022.

**ARPA Funds** – Rogan will meet with Attorney Jeckell and Romilda Crocama to discuss requirements and deadlines for work.

**Tax Collector's Salary** – A **Motion** was made by Rogan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Longmore to increase the Tax Collector's salary from \$800.00 to 1,000.00.

Roll Call: Rogan, Longmore, Kuter, and Burden all in favor, none opposed.

Motion Carried.

**Road Damage-** The work to repair damage on Hollenback Road from construction by Shorten Homes was completed.

**Cronauer Wedding** – A **Motion** was made by Rogan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kuter to allow Maury Cronauer and John Fazzini to use the Carter Beach area and the Ball field for their August Wedding providing they acquire insurance for the event and are aware there may be some risk involving construction in the area for the dam project.

Roll Call: Rogan, Kuter, Burden, and Longmore all in favor, none opposed.

Motion Carried.

**Cronauer Lot Combination** – All requirements were met and approved. A **Motion** was made by Longmore, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rogan to approve the lot combination request.

Roll Call: Longmore, Rogan, Kuter, and Burden all in favor, none opposed.

Motion Carried.

**Code Enforcement** – Will be carried over to the December Meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

A **Motion** was made by Kuter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rogan to adjourn.

Roll Call: Kuter, Rogan, Burden, and Longmore, all in favor, none opposed

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

**The next Council Meeting will be held on December 15 at 7:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Burden, Secretary