

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

APRIL 20, 2022

The meeting of the Council of the Borough of Leesport was called to order by President Ronald Strause on the above date for the Leesport Borough Council, 27 S. Canal Street, Leesport PA, 19533, in the Leesport Fire Company Social Hall, 11 S. Canal Street, Leesport PA 19533, at 7 P.M. Present were Mayor Charles Berger on Zoom, Madeira, Reimer, Walborn, Strause, Fronina, Moyer, and Moquin. Also present were Manager Secretary Treasurer **Sandra L.** Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve tonight's meeting agenda as advertised, all yes

A motion was made by Reimer and seconded by Moquin to approve the March minutes, all yes. A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Reimer to approve the April bills, all yes. A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Reimer to approve the March financial report all yes. A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Moyer to approve the March budget, all yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT MARCH 31, 2022

GENERAL

CHECKING	995.37
MM	292,913.79
CD	31,860.33

WATER

CHECKING	4,821.04
MM	74,151.32
CD I	47,966.56
CD II	41,540.37

STATE

CHECKING	563.95
MM	98,525.44

CODE ENFORCEMENT

604.50

DISTRICT JUSTICE

787.65

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund

13,770.28

Recreation-Rec Board

73,461.95

Payroll fund

948.36

Pension

330,846.86 (2/28/2022)

BILLS PAID

20-Apr-22

STATE

04/22/2022	1551	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	43.12
04/22/2022	1552	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,100.00
04/22/2022	1553	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	45.90
				4189.02

WATER

04/22/2022	4066	Aquaflow Pump & S...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,121.58
04/22/2022	4067	Hartman Valeriano ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,128.72
04/22/2022	4068	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,707.18
04/22/2022	4069	Kris Wholaver	2000 · Accounts Payable	100.00
04/22/2022	4070	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	699.70
04/22/2022	4071	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,060.00
04/22/2022	4072	Office Basics Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	203.16
04/22/2022	4073	Petty Cash-Sandra L....	2000 · Accounts Payable	459.54
04/22/2022	4074	Southern States -Mas...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,103.84
04/22/2022	4075	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	512.00
04/22/2022	4076	Summit Valley Outd...	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,543.00
04/22/2022	4077	Twiford Electrical Se...	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,100.01
04/22/2022	4078	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	359.79
04/22/2022	4079	VIST Financial Corp.	2000 · Accounts Payable	21,000.00
04/22/2022	4080	W.B.Mason Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	25.96
				39124.48

GENERAL

04/22/2022	8068	Alarm Tech Systems ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	365.00
04/22/2022	8069	Berks Co Solid Wast...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	500.00
04/22/2022	8070	Comcast	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	363.30
04/22/2022	8071	David J. Reimer, Sr	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	95.34
04/22/2022	8072	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	237.50
04/22/2022	8073	JDR Contracting, LLC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	701.80
04/22/2022	8074	Kuzans Hardware	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	346.33
04/22/2022	8075	Levan Machine Co.	200.20 · Accounts Pay... LE044	330.00
04/22/2022	8076	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,803.70
04/22/2022	8077	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	500.00
04/22/2022	8078	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	34,340.52
04/22/2022	8079	Onsolve LLC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,725.30
04/22/2022	8080	Rhoads Energy	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	475.32
04/22/2022	8081	Rodney Beard	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	52.50
04/22/2022	8082	Tri Valley YMCA	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,000.00
04/22/2022	8083	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	390.72
04/22/2022	8084	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,502.14
04/22/2022	8085	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	600.00
04/22/2022	8086	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	19,672.00
				65001.47

Correspondence

1. our engineer's monthly report
2. NBRP monthly report
3. code enforcement report and copies of letters sent to residents
4. our trash and recycling totals
5. our monthly water report and monthly chlorine report

Mayor - Charles Berger reported the following:

1. we have lots of fund raisers going on this spring...please watch out for the kids playing and have an enjoyable summer

Committee Reports

Sewer- Madeira reported the following:

1. all is working good
2. we have applied for a ARF grant from the county for our upgrade, we will begin the work in the spring of 2023

Code Enforcement- Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have a rental inspection scheduled for 507 Pine Street and 70 N. Centre Avenue later this month
3. we will be giving out notices and fines for residents that do not have their grass mowed
4. we have issued permits for the old bank for a loading dock, they are a media business

Personnel – Reimer reported the following:

1. we met with Chris Hemmig, our water operator and foreman, he will be preparing a list of his jobs and duties shortly

Police- Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. all is running good
3. our National Night Out event will be August 2, 2022, from 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. at SVHS....all donations of time or food will be appreciated
4. all our road ordinances have been sent to the solicitor for the NBRP for review
5. our shields have arrived and are being prepared for use
6. we will be issuing parking tickets and fines shortly
7. our new computers for our body cams and cars are on order

Engineer-Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. we received a confirmation from the administrator for the BC gaming funds that they are reviewing our application for purchase of generators for our water system
2. Sheetz has purchased additional edus and we just received a check for \$27,000
3. we will be watching Seakeepers for 2 more quarters regarding their EDUs
4. we have contacted Americold regarding their EDUs needing updating, we have not heard back from them as yet
5. we did the grades on #61 for our brake retarder ordinance....now we are ready to go to the state....a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Madeira to make application to the state for permission to begin an ordinance, all yes.
6. a motion was made by Moquin and seconded Moyer to bill Bob Cat for 2100 gallons per day for their new business in Ontelaunee Twp, all voted yes...they originally asked for 2100 gpd, but then changed their request to 170 gpd or less..
7. we have just received notice that 1025 Berkshire, the Eping project, will not be coming to Leesport and will be entirely in Ontelaunee Twp..and their tentative zoning hearing is cancelled.....we will be billing 1025 Berkshire for the expenses incurred by the borough for the work performed for the borough with regards to the Epting Project prior to this decision.

Solicitor- Chris Hartman Esq., reported the following:

1. LIHWAP agreement with the State for water bills' assistance, a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Reimer to apply to the state for a vendor agreement for water pastdue bills' reimbursement up to \$2500 per delinquent customer, all yes.....we will let our customers know
2. Epting agreement for use of \$2000 for expenses.....a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to sign an agreement with 1025 Berkshire to use funds for our Epting expenses. All yes
3. Progressive Ins Co update for hydrant damage at Binner's store, we received a check from the insurance company for \$3,667.90 for damages to our hydrant on #61 in front of Binner's Appliance Store
4. Landlord/Tenant Ordinance...a motion was made by Reimer and seconded by Moquin to advertise our Landlord Tenant Ordinance Amendment # 480, all yes.
5. Recreation Ordinance.... discuss waiver to allow for "Beer/Wine Garden" at Community Days...has been tabled until more discussion next month

Recycling – Fronina reported the following:

1. our totals are on file

Building & Properties- Moyer reported the following:

1. our Archives Library Room is in its final stages
2. we have a contract from ATS for an alarm system installation in our new library room for \$475

Memorials – Strause reported the following:

1. our banners are on order
2. we will celebrate Memorial Day on May 30, 2022, at 1 P.M., at the Walt Pearson Memorial Field hosted by the Ontelaunee Grange

Water & Municipal Authority- Walborn reported the following:

1. our **totals are on file**
2. we have appointed a Steering Committee for our Well Head Protection Program
 - a. Matt Walborn, Duane Knoll, David Reimer, Cody Madeira, Charlie Moody, Irene Reed, Kelly Burdick, Jason Newhard, Lyn Rodino, Rhonda Hakundy, Chris Hartman....we were given a presentation and introduction to the program during our water report
3. we have been invited to the mapping on the internet for the Well Head Protection Plan by DEP/SSM during a short meeting explaining the plan
4. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Moquin to spend up to \$22,000 to purchase replacement battery pads for our water meters that are not reading, all yes.

Roads and Lights-Madeira reported the following:

1. we will be sweeping cinders in town on Thursday, May 5, and Friday, May 6, 2022
2. we will be patching potholes shortly.
3. we will be painting stopping pads and the other necessary lines on our streets
4. a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Reimer to have specs prepared for the following roads and advertise on PennBid for resurfacing, all yes.
 - a. Grant between Reeser and Elm Sts
 - b. Reeser between Degler and Miriam Ave
 - c. Degler between Grant and Reeser St
 - d. Pine between Grant and Leesport Ave

Recreation- Reimer reported the following:

1. we will hold off until next month on amending our Recreation Ordinance regarding a "Beer and Wine Garden" event at Community Days.
2. we will be having the YMCA host our playground program from June 20 to August 12 again this year
3. we are planning skate jams again also
4. we are planning a large improvement program this summer
5. we will be hiring an adult for the pool/concession stand this season
6. our newsletter is almost ready to do
7. Tom Fronina, our councilman, is getting quotes to have our stage rebuilt
8. we have replaced the sand in our filter

Emergency Management Coordinator- David J. Reimer, Sr.

1. the dams at Locust Lake are noted as a threat to Leesport Borough if they should break, we should be ok and will keep the situation monitored
2. we are in close contact with FEMA

Good and Welfare

1. we have been invited to the Union Fire Company #1 of Leesport's appreciation banquet
2. we have a report of two soliciting in the borough without a permit

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Reimer to adjourn at 8:43 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 8:43 P.M.

Attested _____