

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

JULY 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 Borough Hall, Leesport PA 19533, at 6 P.M. Present were Mayor Charles Berger on Zoom, Madeira, Reimer, Strause, Moyer, and Moquin. Walborn and Fronina were absent. Also present were Manager Secretary Treasurer Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Darryl Jenkins, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman.

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2022

GENERAL

CHECKING	592.22
MM	623,612.73
CD	31,888.76

WATER

CHECKING	217.15
MM	68,346.41
CD I	48,009.35
CD II	41,566.55

STATE

CHECKING	802.09
MM	84,532.37

CODE ENFORCEMENT

854.50

DISTRICT JUSTICE

834.74

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund

13,775.56

Recreation-Rec Board

105,219.47

Payroll fund

826.95

Pension

316,212.08 (5/31/2022)

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to add to the meeting agenda conversation to address Sunrise Heating/AC's new quote to relocate the outside equipment, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Moyer to add to the meeting agenda conversation to discuss a Resolution to set disruptive conduct fees for the reinspection of a property by our Code Enforcement Officer, all voted for the motion.

BILLS PAID

20-Jul-22

STATE

07/21/2022	1560	American Rock Salt	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,229.66
07/21/2022	1561	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	36.66
07/21/2022	1562	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,150.00
07/21/2022	1563	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	756.00
				9172.32

WATER

07/21/2022	4110	Comm of PA - DEP	2000 · Accounts Payable	100.00
07/21/2022	4111	Diversified Tech Corp	2000 · Accounts Payable	964.65
07/21/2022	4112	JDR	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,262.50
07/21/2022	4113	Keystone Engineerin...	2000 · Accounts Payable	534.32
07/21/2022	4114	Kuzans	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,523.58
07/21/2022	4115	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	344.75
07/21/2022	4116	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,260.00
07/21/2022	4117	Robert Davidson CPA	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,400.00
07/21/2022	4118	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	8,130.13
07/21/2022	4119	VIST Financial Corp.	2000 · Accounts Payable	21,000.00
				43519.93

GENERAL

07/21/2022	8125	Animal Rescue Leag...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	488.50
07/21/2022	8126	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	276.95
07/21/2022	8127	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	3,992.57
07/21/2022	8128	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	6,193.72
07/21/2022	8129	Kris Wholaver	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	150.00
07/21/2022	8130	Lift Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	53.40
07/21/2022	8131	Longhorn Landscape	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
07/21/2022	8132	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,439.85
07/21/2022	8133	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	320.00
07/21/2022	8134	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,317.20
07/21/2022	8135	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	34,340.52
07/21/2022	8136	Rhoads Energy	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	932.35
07/21/2022	8137	Southern States Bank...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,325.86
07/21/2022	8138	Stony Creek Rentals	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	175.87
07/21/2022	8139	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	480.82
07/21/2022	8140	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,068.68
07/21/2022	8141	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	200.00
07/21/2022	8142	United Concordia Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	327.96
07/21/2022	8143	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	16,360.00
				72944.25

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Reimer to sign and pass Resolution #250-2022, setting disruptive conduct fees for the reinspection of a property by our Code Enforcement Officer, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Reimer and seconded by Moyer to accept tonight's agenda as advertised with the above additions, all voted for the motion.

Our Council meeting was advertised to be held at the Leesport Borough Hall, 27 S. Canal Street, Leesport PA 19533, at 6 P.M., instead of the Leesport Fire company Social Hall.

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

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 chlorine totals for the month**
6. **our water report**
7. **4 copies of the contract for the road's resurfacing to be signed and sent to contractor**
8. **correspondence from our solicitor regarding the resale of real estate and their inspections**

Committee Reports

Mayor - Charles Berger reported the following:

1. we have reports of speeding on our roads
2. we will be having some of our roads resurfaced shortly
3. we need to enforce our weed ordinance more closely
4. we need to inform our residents that they have to remove the weeds growing in their sidewalks and gutters

Sewer- Madeira reported the following:

1. all is working good
2. we have received a grant from the American Rescue Plan for \$415,000 for our plant upgrade
3. we have received our new replacement meters and have sent our residents letters informing them that Todd Duffy will be contacting them for an appointment to change their meter

Code Enforcement- Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we will be mowing 2 properties and billing them

Personnel/Budget – Reimer reported the following:

1. we are working on the personnel policies and practices, we will have them to discuss next month after AdHoc and also wage increases to be discussed

Police – Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. August 2, 6 to 9 P.M., is National Night Out at the Schuylkill Valley High School....we are hoping for 5000 folks, lots of vendors, we will be having fire works also, we need volunteers for this event.
3. our body cameras are on back order because of the shortage of the chips coming from overseas
4. we are experiencing speeding in all of our municipalities
5. we are using our digital speeding signs
6. we are replacing 2 vehicles and have a 10 month delivery
7. we have prepared a hiring list to prepare for testing, we have 2 officers that are leaving soon
8. there are some grants available

Fire Company – Ethan Moquin reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have some equipment for sale on our website
3. there is a federal grant to replace our air packs
4. we have some new junior and senior members
5. we will be helping the police with the National Night Out event
6. we received a state grant of \$15,000 to purchase equipment
7. we will be holding a corn hole tournament
8. we will have a general raffle and dinner in October at the Leesport Market
9. we have recently participated in the ISO evaluation to set new insurance rates for the borough.

Engineer-Darryl Jenkins (Jason Newhard was absent) reported the following:

1. the meeting regarding the Epting Project has been delayed, they may be making a formal submission to us as well as Ontelaunee Township
2. we did attend the pre construction meeting for the resurfacing of #61..they will be beginning shortly
3. we will be checking with Bob Cat again regarding their additional EDUs
4. we will also be checking with Americold regarding their additional EDUs
5. we will be discussing an ordinance for our well head protection

Solicitor- Chris Hartman, Esq., reported the following:

1. we opened the floor to the public for discussion before voting to pass our grass ordinance # 480, hearing none, the floor was closed....a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Reimer to pass and sign Ordinance #480 Grass Ordinance, all voted for the motion
2. a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Reimer to have our Code Enforcement Officer and our Solicitor work on the details of an ordinance dealing with the real estate inspections on a resale of a property at our next AdHoc meeting, all voted yes.

Recycling

1. our totals are on file

Building & Properties- Moyer reported the following:

1. our mini split heat/ac was installed by Sunrise Co this past month and the outside unit was installed in the parking lot....after installation, it was considered to be a danger that it might be hit by a vehicle and Sunrise Co prepared a quote to move the unit up on the brick wall for \$2700....they do not recommend putting the unit on the wall for safety reasons....the bricks are very old and weak. It was decided to protect the unit with concrete barriers
2. ADT Alarm Services will install our smoke detectors shortly in our library archives' room
3. JDR will be giving us a quote to install metal to cover the wood around our outside window frames and sills and the room above the office. They are also going to repair the windows at the new concession stand.

Memorials – Strause reported the following:

1. our banners will be here shortly
2. we have contacted Tim Grant regarding the borough sign that is being repaired by him at the bank and to remind him to replace the gold balls at the top of our sign at the memorial park

Water & Municipal Authority- Moquin reported the following:

1. our totals are on file
2. our solicitor will be reviewing all our well head protection information and maps to prepare a draft ordinance for us

Roads and Lights-Madeira reported the following:

1. our road patching has been completed
2. we have given our engineer a list of additional roads to add to our road work to be completed by New Enterprisea motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Madeira to add additional roads to our road work to be performed by New Enterprise by having our engineer submit a change order to their contract, all voted for the motion.
3. our part time worker is installing our new road signs
4. the no parking sign at the intersection of Reeser and Main Street will be replaced also

Recreation- Reimer reported the following:

1. we are preparing the second addition of our Leessport News Letter....we will include our ordinance requirements dealing with the maintenance of yards with respect to weeds and neatness
2. we were unable to get a grant for the preparation of a future plan for all our recreational areas
3. we will approach our board to see if it is feasible to have them fund the

preparation of the plan

4. we will be receiving benches, courtesy of Steve Moyer Subaru, when they become available
5. JDR has ordered parts to repair our concession stand windows
6. our Harvest Moon Festival will be held at the playground again this fall
7. we received reports that alcohol was served recently at a ball field activity, they were told this is not allowed
8. we have reports of vehicles parking on the ball field area, they will be told again that this is not allowed
9. we are waiting information regarding our ordered nano cameras

Old Business

1. We are looking into a walking route for Leesport Postal customers

New Business

1. we are in contact with PSAB and a local CPA for information regarding suggestions for more efficiency dealing with personnel

EMC – Reimer reported the following:

1. we are in touch with local legislators with regards to grants for a two way radio for emergency management use
2. we will be forming a hazard committee for preparedness
3. we will be discussing NIMS training beginning next month

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moquin to adjourn at 8:05 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

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