

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

JANUARY 17, 2024

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 Maderia, Moyer, Strause, Moquin, Fronina and Walborn.

Also present were Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr., MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Our men were complimented on a job well done with our two recent leaks and the plowing of snow during our recent snow storm. We would also like to thank the police, fire company and our EMS for their assistance.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 31, 2023

GENERAL

CHECKING	626.50
MM	93,284.75
CD	33,433.09

WATER

CHECKING	995.67
MM	44,567.40
CD I	49,292.87
CD II	43,533.88

STATE

CHECKING	205.59
MM	22,391.99

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

5,487.25
1,347.84

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,465.36
Recreation-Rec Board	94,802.73
Payroll fund	890.46
Pension	347,651.35 (11/30/2023)

BILLS PAID

17-Jan-24

STATE

01/23/2024	1614	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	38.26
01/23/2024	1615	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	6,150.00
				6188.26

WATER

01/23/2024	4319	AmTrust Financial S...	2000 · Accounts Payable	9,321.00
01/23/2024	4320	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,050.00
01/23/2024	4321	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,436.46
01/23/2024	4322	Kuzans	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,603.95
01/23/2024	4323	Longhorn Landscaping	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,500.00
01/23/2024	4324	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	304.80
01/23/2024	4325	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,220.00
01/23/2024	4326	Micro Air Computers...	2000 · Accounts Payable	140.00
01/23/2024	4327	Pro Keystone Garage...	2000 · Accounts Payable	571.76
01/23/2024	4328	Reading Eagle Co	2000 · Accounts Payable	371.60
01/23/2024	4329	Rhoads Energy	2000 · Accounts Payable	462.57
01/23/2024	4330	Southern States -Mas...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,055.53
01/23/2024	4331	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	984.00
01/23/2024	4332	Storks Plows	2000 · Accounts Payable	972.61
01/23/2024	4333	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	327.96
				29322.24

GENERAL

01/23/2024	8601	Anderson Ins Co., Inc	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,041.00
01/23/2024	8602	Christopher C. Hem...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	7,000.00
01/23/2024	8603	Comcast	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	274.83
01/23/2024	8604	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	588.70
01/23/2024	8605	Element Risk Manag...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	12,444.00
01/23/2024	8606	Fisher's Rental	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,996.40
01/23/2024	8607	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	433.26
01/23/2024	8608	Gregory Evans	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	350.00
01/23/2024	8609	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	798.24
01/23/2024	8610	Kantners Tire Service	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	160.00
01/23/2024	8611	Lift Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	30.66
01/23/2024	8612	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,259.28
01/23/2024	8613	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	820.00
01/23/2024	8614	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
01/23/2024	8615	Sams Club Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	170.64
01/23/2024	8616	Threns	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	136.02
01/23/2024	8617	Tompkins Financial	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	32,000.00
01/23/2024	8618	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	543.22
01/23/2024	8619	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	946.49
01/23/2024	8620	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,800.00
01/23/2024	8621	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	16,740.00
01/23/2024	8622	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	283.38
				120471.86

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the December 2023, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to approve the January 2024 Reorganizational meeting minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to approve the January bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to approve the December financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to approve the December 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. minutes from the NBRP**

Guests

1. Elaine Strause, representing the Leesport Lockhouse and the Historical Society with a 2024 calendar of events for our website

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. the borough is in good shape and a thank you to all for your assistance
2. we have some vehicles that are not moving from the snow emergency routes when an emergency is called
3. we have some upcoming events on social media
4. the leak on #61 was an awful event, it was very well handled by our men and our police, fire company and EMS, a thank you to all.

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Work is underway and all is moving along very well
3. Bern Twp has not contributed
4. the sewer authority has also voted to charge \$10 for a late notice and \$20 for the door hangers along with the borough's recent resolution

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. A resident on Main Street was asked to remove steps placed on their rear structure without a permit. They have now asked, when the illegal steps are removed from the rear structure, would they be allowed to be stored in the rear yard until a permit is obtained in the spring to use them on the rear of the home if approved. Council had no problem with the steps remaining in the rear of the home until a permit is issued in spring if approved.

Police- Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have a full force now
3. we have presented to the men, "Challenge Coins" for their dedication inspiration and future services

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly and yearly report for 2023 is on file
2. we are selling barbeque chicken tickets for Super Bowl Sunday

Recycling – Fronina reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have contacted WM regarding a yard waste dumpster and their hauling to a recycler that reports to DEP
3. a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to do monthly yard waste recycling with Berks Soil and Stone for now, all yes.

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We are preparing the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. We will contact Americold regarding their needed additional EDUs
6. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
7. We will contact Entech regarding their resurfacing of Gernants Rd
8. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system as a modification for a fee of \$50

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

1. Please see Building and Properties and Unfinished Business

Buildings and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We are inquiring about purchasing the 2 lots on Main St and the Emery property at the intersection of Water and Shackamaxon Sts.
2. Our solicitor is preparing a Deed of Dedication for the Emery property, when the draft is approved by Council, we will send to the Emerys for approval, also we are contacting the owner of the lot on Main Street east of the railroad, our solicitor is awaiting a tax search on the property
3. We now have a contact for the Frontier property on Main St west of the railroad.
4. we will vote on purchasing cameras next month for our borough yard

Memorials – Strause reported the following:

1. our borough signs' company will be taking our signs shortly for maintenance
2. we have an order ready for our Home Town Heros' banners

Recreation - Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Discuss playground cameras, our tech has installed some new ones for us
3. We are preparing our list of projects for 2024
4. We will be sending one of our employees for his pesticide license
5. We will have a dedicated outlet put in for our cameras
6. Our men will take training to install and service our new cameras
7. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
8. we have a draft agreement with a property owner on Canal Street that is currently being discussed
9. We are promoting our, “ Buy a Brick”, project, our goal is to sell 500 bricks for our stage area
10. We will be advertising for a manager for our pool for the upcoming season shortly
11. our engineer will be getting a quote for paving our pool parking area

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance discussion
3. We are moving along with our LP tanks, generators, French drains, chlorine analyzers, alarm system and RAFA system install
4. our engineer will do the design for the SV water line
5. A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to pass Res # 262-2024, to charge \$10 for delinquent notices and \$20 for the door hangers beginning in January 2024, all yes. 1
6. We recently repaired a water main break
7. our engineer has contacted Americold regarding their purchasing their required EDUs
8. we will be creating a grid and plan for exercising our water main valves throughout our water system

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we are working on our five year road plan
3. we recently had our first snow fall, our men did a great job in keeping up with it and to keep our roads clean

Unfinished Business

1. We are working on our Knox Box Ordinance for our fire company , we will advertise to pass in February
2. James Emery has again offered the corner of Water and Shackamaxon Sts...
3. Our solicitor is preparing a Deed of Dedication draft to be sent to the Emerys for review after our engineer and council review the draft
4. Ontelaunee Twp's engineer contacted the borough regarding the reimbursement of their resurfacing Gernants Church Rd for a small portion owned by the borough (211 x 15 approximately \$4000), a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to approve the reimbursement, all yes.
5. Our French drains will be dug this week at wells #3, 4, and 5

New Business

1. a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to pass Res #263-2024 for our new code regulations for 2024, all yes
2. we will install a small temporary generator at well #1 in case of a power failure so well #1 can relay the message from our SCADA system to our other wells
3. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to pass Res #264 – 2024 approving an agreement with the Berks County Appeals Board, all yes
4. a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Fronina to pay \$1536 for a yearly maintenance contract for our new generators at our wells and borough hall, all yes
5. we have a letter of interest from Martin Goetz to fill the remaining term left by our new mayor's council term to 2026, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to appoint Martin Goetz to fulfill our mayor's remaining term to 2026, all yes. The oath of office will be given to him at our February meeting before taking office.

An executive session was called at 7:21 P.M., on personnel , they returned at 7:34 P.M.

Good and Welfare

New Committee appointments were made for the coming 2024 year as follows:

DEPARTMENTS (FIRST NAME DENOTES CHAIRPERSON)

BUILDING AND PROPERTIES	MOYER, MADEIRA, MOQUIN
MEMORIALS	GOETZ, MADEIRA
PERSONNEL	MOQUIN, GOETZ, WALBORN, STRAUSE
RECREATION & GREENWAYS	MOYER, FRONINA
RECYCLING	GOETZ
ROADS & LIGHTS	MADEIRA, WALBORN
WATER	WALBORN, MOQUIN
POLICE COMMISSIONER	STRAUSE
ALTERNATE	GOETZ

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to adjourn at 7:38 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Attested _____

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FEBRUARY 21, 2024

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FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 31, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	156.24
MM	114,916.10
CD	33,567.95

WATER

CHECKING	673.75
MM	50,461.15
CD I	49,507.65
CD II	43,707.15

STATE

CHECKING	217.36
MM	16,231.72

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

4,883.10
549.92

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,526.64
Recreation-Rec Board	96,025.91
Payroll fund	917.64
Pension	359,048.47 (12/31/2023)

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to approve the January 2024, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to approve the February bills, all yes.

STATE

02/22/2024	1616	American Rock Salt	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,307.62
02/22/2024	1617	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	38.66
02/22/2024	1618	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,150.00

9496.28

WATER

02/22/2024	4334	AmTrust Financial S...	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,346.00
02/22/2024	4335	Berks County Public ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	125.00
02/22/2024	4336	Diversified Tech Corp	2000 · Accounts Payable	629.65
02/22/2024	4337	Element Risk Manag...	2000 · Accounts Payable	12,444.00
02/22/2024	4338	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,000.00
02/22/2024	4339	Exeter Supply Inc.l	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,098.25
02/22/2024	4340	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,436.46
02/22/2024	4341	Kris Wholaver	2000 · Accounts Payable	360.00
02/22/2024	4342	Kuzans	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,040.28
02/22/2024	4343	L/B Water	2000 · Accounts Payable	208.61
02/22/2024	4344	Longhorn Landscaping	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,500.00
02/22/2024	4345	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	974.70
02/22/2024	4346	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,580.00
02/22/2024	4347	New Enterprise Ston...	2000 · Accounts Payable	362.22
02/22/2024	4348	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,679.31
02/22/2024	4349	Sigma Controls Inc	2000 · Accounts Payable	660.66
02/22/2024	4350	Summit Valley Outd...	2000 · Accounts Payable	33,924.84
02/22/2024	4351	Tompkins Financial ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,593.69
02/22/2024	4352	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	327.96
02/22/2024	4353	Wex Co	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,041.67

GENERAL

82333.30

02/22/2024	8623	Assoc of Mayors of ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	60.00
02/22/2024	8624	Berks County Treasu...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	238.83
02/22/2024	8625	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,670.00
02/22/2024	8626	Comcast	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	274.83
02/22/2024	8627	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	447.18
02/22/2024	8628	Fisher's Rental	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,996.40
02/22/2024	8629	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	433.48
02/22/2024	8630	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,137.50
02/22/2024	8631	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	3,137.66
02/22/2024	8632	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	760.00
02/22/2024	8633	Micro Air Computers...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	140.00
02/22/2024	8634	Miller's Lawnmower ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,141.85
02/22/2024	8635	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	152.60
02/22/2024	8636	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
02/22/2024	8637	Pa Assoc of Mun Ad...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	150.00
02/22/2024	8638	Rhoads Energy	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	51.97
02/22/2024	8639	Seal Master/Allentown	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	718.44
02/22/2024	8640	SOS Copy Center	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	57.10
02/22/2024	8641	Storks Auto Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,003.81
02/22/2024	8642	Thren's Auto	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	271.47
02/22/2024	8643	Tompkins Financial	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	32,000.00
02/22/2024	8644	Triangle Communica...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	212.00
02/22/2024	8645	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	84.56
02/22/2024	8646	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	3,000.00
02/22/2024	8647	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	19,005.00

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A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to approve the January financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the January 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. **minutes from the NBRP**
8. **copy of a HOP notice from PennDot for the Epting Project**
9. **copy of a notice from PennDot regarding the Traffic Impact study for the Epting project**
10. **copy of a letter from the BCPC with respect to Manderbach Ford Truck Center Plan submitted to Hamburg Borough with respect to our well head protection area encroachment**
11. **a letter from FEMA announcing our HMP has been approved**
12. **copy of a letter to the Epting group informing them the Remedial Investigation Report/Risk Assessment/Cleanup Plan for the Epting Tract has been approved**
13. **a letter from C2C Design Group informing council that the Epting Project has given an extension to June 19, 2024, for their plan**
14. **a copy of letter and module to DEP regarding the Sewage Planning Module for the Epting project being submitted**

Guests – none

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. our guys are doing a great job plowing
2. we are reviewing our Onsolve account for our Code Red Alert System....75 % of our folks are signed up and getting announcements

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Work is almost complete
3. Bern Twp has not contributed...our solicitor has sent a letter to their solicitor and has given them 120 days to respond or legal action will be filed....they owe the authority \$92,000
4. Ontelaunee Township has reduced their flow down stream at Pump #7
5. Epting development thought they had deemed approval from Ontelaunee..DEP and the township disagree
6. we will try to organize a joint meeting regarding the Epting Project with all parties directly involved
7. we have several items we would like to discuss with the Epting folks

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we recently denied a permit application for 133 N. Centre Avenue, they need to have a land development plan to our planning commission for review

Police- Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. there has been a high rate of accidents this month
3. we have 15 officers now for a full force
4. we have 3 new cars now out on the road
5. we have bids out now for outfitting the cars
6. we should have our decals shortly
7. we now have an animal chip identifier
8. we are looking for a large venue for our next National Night Out event
9. we would eventually like to have a kennel for lost animals, we now use Safety Net

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to pass and sign the Lock Box Ordinance #489, all yes
3. some of our upcoming events will be bingo and our Easter egg hunt, our Super Bowl Barbeque went very well

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have paid Berks Soil & Stone for January and February
3. We are working with the county to find a yard waste recycler that reports to DEP
4. Jane Meeks, the county recycling coordinator, has contacted us to meet with her and DEP for a recycling grant application meeting in April

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to have our engineer begin the design for the SV water line, all yes
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We are preparing the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. Americold called to inform us they will be paying for their additional EDUs in March
6. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
7. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
8. a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to have our engineer begin the lead line inventory project for DEP that is due in October, all yes
9. we will be advertising for a new trash/recycling contract shortly

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

1. Please see Building and Properties and Unfinished Business

Buildings and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We are inquiring about purchasing the 2 lots on Main St and the Emery property at the intersection of Water and Shackamaxon Sts.
2. Our solicitor has prepared a Deed of Dedication for the Emery property and it is being reviewed.
3. Our solicitor is doing research for the lot on Main Street east of the railroad, he has contacted their creditors regarding some monies owed by the owner
4. We are in touch with Frontier Communications' Real Estate director regarding their property on Main St west of the railroad.
5. We need a motion to spend \$2000 for cameras for our maintenance yard, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to spend up to \$2000 for cameras, all yes
6. Vote to spend up to \$13,290 for foam insulation in our Pole barn..a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to spend \$13,290, all yes....We have tried to obtain quotes from other vendors, the other one we tried has just gone out of business and all others we have tried do not do pole barns

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. our Memorial Day Event this year will be sponsored by the Rebecca's' organization, we will be in touch with them shortly
2. we have no further word from Tim Grant of Grant Signs regarding repair of our borough signs

Recreation - Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Our cameras at the library and playground will be installed shortly
3. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
4. We will have our list of projects for 2024 shortly, we will email council a plan estimate tomorrow....there are grants available for the planning process
5. the brick sales are going slowly, should pick up in spring
6. we will have our April meeting at the pool
7. we will be working on our second pump shortly
8. we are checking with T-Mobile for service at the pool area
9. we have been contacted regarding movies at the new stage area
10. it was asked if we use time clocks for the recreational employees, we explained that we have for some time now

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. the Well Head Protection Ordinance will become part of our zoning ordinance according to our solicitor
3. We are moving along with our LP tanks, generators, French drains, chlorine analyzers, alarm system and RAFA system
4. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install, we will set up a meeting for all involved to begin the installation process
5. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line

6. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have received an extension letter from the Epting Project until June 19, 2024
8. A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to purchase a trailer for \$9,900, to use for all our water purposes, all yes

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we are working on our five year road plan
3. We recently had our first snow fall
4. a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to make Fig and Magnolia Streets (service streets) no parking streets, to install a “No Trucks” sign on Peach Street on the west side of #61, and to install a stop sign at Degler and Leesport Avenues going east at our well #4, making that intersection a 4-way stop, all voted yes

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. our Hazard Mitigation Plan has been approved
2. we have a report that the training of our coordinator is up to date
3. our operations’ plan has also been approved by the county
4. Saturday, February 24, is the Connor Kleffel Soup Bowl event from 11 am to 1 pm
5. our spring newsletter will be mailed shortly
6. we are having a “buy a brick sale” for our stage to benefit recreation

Good and Welfare

1. our president welcomed Martin Goetz back to council and a special thank you to Jim Moquin for staying on council

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Goetz to adjourn at 7:48 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

MARCH 20, 2024

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

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the February 2024, minutes, all yes.

FINANCIAL REPORT FEBRUARY 29, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	356.72
MM	32,368.33
CD	33,701.78

WATER

CHECKING	1,340.96
MM	44,613.66
CD I	49,723.36
CD II	43,881.11

STATE

CHECKING	221.13
MM	6,755.91

CODE ENFORCEMENT	2,879.50
DISTRICT JUSTICE	-

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,588.19
Recreation-Rec Board	96,288.20
Payroll fund	879.43
Pension	358,767.91 (1/31/2024)

BILLS PAID

20-Mar-24

		STATE		
03/21/2024	1619	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	38.66
03/21/2024	1620	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,000.00
03/21/2024	1621	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	149.95
				5188.61
		WATER		
03/21/2024	4354	American Continent ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,773.23
03/21/2024	4355	Delaware River Basi...	2000 · Accounts Payable	553.00
03/21/2024	4356	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,100.00
03/21/2024	4357	Exeter Supply Inc.l	2000 · Accounts Payable	12,147.67
03/21/2024	4358	Fisher Rental	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,992.80
03/21/2024	4359	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,436.46
03/21/2024	4360	Kantners Tire Servic...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,264.00
03/21/2024	4361	L/B Water	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,532.11
03/21/2024	4362	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,374.75
03/21/2024	4363	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,110.00
03/21/2024	4364	New Enterprise Ston...	2000 · Accounts Payable	824.55
03/21/2024	4365	Poster Compliance	2000 · Accounts Payable	74.15
03/21/2024	4366	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	6,181.26
03/21/2024	4367	Storks	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,060.00
03/21/2024	4368	Threns	2000 · Accounts Payable	507.33
03/21/2024	4369	Twiford Electrical Se...	2000 · Accounts Payable	480.00
03/21/2024	4370	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	327.96
03/21/2024	4371	USAbLe Life Ins.	2000 · Accounts Payable	117.00
03/21/2024	4372	Well Care	2000 · Accounts Payable	473.40
				53329.67
		GENERAL		
03/21/2024	8648	Albright College/CE...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	500.00
03/21/2024	8649	Armour Insulation	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	13,290.00
03/21/2024	8650	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	835.00
03/21/2024	8651	Comcast	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	274.83
03/21/2024	8652	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,948.80
03/21/2024	8653	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	435.20
03/21/2024	8654	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,021.50
03/21/2024	8655	Holiday Outdoor Dec...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,548.65
03/21/2024	8656	Kuzans Hardware	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	4,779.13
03/21/2024	8657	Lift Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,018.77
03/21/2024	8658	Longhorn Landscape	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
03/21/2024	8659	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	4,176.64
03/21/2024	8660	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	820.00
03/21/2024	8661	NNN Reading	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	40.00
03/21/2024	8662	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
03/21/2024	8663	Onsolve LLC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,025.45
03/21/2024	8664	RTC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,560.00
03/21/2024	8665	Seal Master/Allentown	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,518.96
03/21/2024	8666	Spotts, Stevens and ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	490.50
03/21/2024	8667	Tompkins Financial	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	31,047.00
03/21/2024	8668	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	84.56
03/21/2024	8669	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	3,010.00
03/21/2024	8670	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
03/21/2024	8671	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,276.98
				132113.71

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the March bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to approve the February financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the February 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. minutes from the NBRP**

Guests

1. Heather Hanna, candidate for State House of Rep for District #5, introduced herself to council
2. Elaine Strause, representing the Leesport Lockhouse, asked council to endorse the purchase of State Historic Markers for Leesport for our numerous means of transportation, ie., canal, railroad and the #61 turnpike. There is no cost for the markers, they are provided by the William Pomeroy Foundation. A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Moyer to endorse the Lockhouse Foundation acquiring three markers for our sites, all yes.
3. Elaine Strause also delivered a message for another resident, Marlis Dietrich, that the raising of the taxes is a financial burden for some residents.

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Town Updates
3. We will be celebrating “Keep America Beautiful” the end of this month
4. We recently had some under bridge graffiti, the state removed it
5. We will be adding some security to our office shortly
6. UGI will be repairing all the areas they dug up this spring

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. We met last evening
2. The plant upgrades are almost completed
3. Bern Twp has not contributed to the cost of the upgrade, our solicitor is in touch with their solicitor

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Police- Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we met recently
3. we are looking for a new venue for our NNO event
4. we will be voting on selling a used police car to Maidencreek Twp for \$1

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have paid Berks Soil & Stone for January and February and March
3. The county helped us find a yard waste recycler that reports to DEP
4. We have filed our county recycling report and will meet with the county and state regarding our #902 recycling grant for a backhoe and fence at the Agricultural Center on April 1, 2024
5. Our trash/recycling contract with Advanced Disposal, later purchased by Waste Management, was originally voted on at the time of the bid award acceptance to include 2 extra extended years for a 3.12% yearly increase

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we are preparing the specs for the SV Water line grant
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We are preparing the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. Americold called to inform us they will be paying for their additional EDUs in March
6. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
7. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
8. We will meet with our employees regarding the drainage from Canal Street to the Lockhouse and Laundromat
9. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights on #61, we might be eligible for a grant ..a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to have our engineer check with ARLE regarding a grant, all yes.
10. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61
11. a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Moyer to have our engineer apply for a low interest loan for the borough to do our roads in the amount of \$1,000,000, all yes.
12. we have prepared a list of items to discuss with the Epting folks during our meeting scheduled for tomorrow evening at Ontelaunee Township

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

1. We will be discussing the amendment to our parking ordinance at next month's meeting
2. some of the street signs listed in our current ordinance were discussed

Buildings and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We are inquiring about purchasing the 2 lots on Main St and the Emery property at the intersection of Water and Shackamaxon Sts.
2. Our solicitor has prepared a Deed of Dedication for the Emery property and it has been sent to the Emerys for review
3. Our solicitor is doing research for the lot on Main Street east of the railroad .
4. We will be adding some security measures at our office
5. We have heard from the manager of the Frontier property on Main St west of the railroad. They have had the lot appraised at \$25,000..it is one deed with the fenced in area for their poles and it may need land development and subdivision
6. We will need to renew our contract with Longhorn Landscaping for this year for the same cost of \$2500 monthly..a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to renew our contract with Longhorn Landscaping for one year, all yes

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly report
2. Our Memorial Day Celebration will be held at the stage this year
3. We are planning to utilize rope given to us by a deceased councilman at our memorial park for enhancement

Recreation - Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we have begun interviewing candidates for our summer recreational program
3. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
4. We will have our list of projects for 2024 shortly
5. We are installing our cameras this week
6. Bob Wood has offered to be our temporary pesticide licensed operator until our employee acquires his license
7. We have inquired about a grant for recreation planning
8. We are getting quotes for repairs to our pavilion roof
9. We are pricing sheds at the Amish Market Place
10. We are getting pricing from Kay Pools to install a pump and a second sand filter
11. We are looking into replacing some of the smaller ride equipment at our older playground
12. we have three(3) quotes for a roof replacement at our pavilion aside of the library

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance discussion
3. We are moving along with our LP tanks, generators, French drains, chlorine analyzers, alarm system and RAFA system
4. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install
5. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line
6. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have received an extension letter from the Epting Project until June 19, 2024
8. We have set a meeting with the Epting folks and others involved for Thursday, March 21, at Ontelaunee Twp building at 4 P.M., we will be asking for periodic testing of our water for arsenic contamination
9. We will be using our cell phones for our water system monitoring after the installation of our RAFA system is complete

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our five year road plan
3. We will have our street sweeping done April 25 and 26 by Industrial Grounds Maintenance.....a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moquin to do the street sweeping, the cost not to exceed \$4500, all yes after our street sweeping, we will be doing patching
4. We have a draft ordinance for discussion of amending our Ordinance #365, dealing with parking and signage to discuss next month
5. We recently installed a guard rail at the end of Main St at the river , our guys did a great job.

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. we attended a good training recently

Good and Welfare – Walborn reported the following:

1. we attended a CELG meeting recently regarding the problems facing the EMS providers having financial difficulties

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Moyer to adjourn at 7:46 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

April 17, 2024

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 Maderia, Fronina, Moyer (arrived after roll call), Strause, Goetz and Walborn. Moquin was absent. Also present were Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr., MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Administrative Assistant Marga Row, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT MARCH 31, 2024.

GENERAL

CHECKING	707.04
MM	6,348.38
CD	33,827.48

WATER

CHECKING	1,011.67
MM	129,227.43
CD I	49,926.04
CD II	44,044.47

STATE

CHECKING	232.55
MM	59,758.45

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

1,438.00
1,832.16 (2 MO)

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,646.00
Recreation-Rec Board	101,403.30
Payroll fund	902.67
Pension	364,806.17 (2/29/2024)

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to approve the March 2024, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to approve the April bills, all yes.

Borough of Leesport

BILLS PAID

17-Apr-24

STATE

04/19/2024	1622	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	50.00
04/19/2024	1623	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	4,150.00
					4200.00
WATER					
04/18/2024	4373	A & J Structures LLC	2000	Accounts Payable	1,700.00
04/18/2024	4374	Diversified Tech Corp	2000	Accounts Payable	941.24
04/18/2024	4375	Elite Opps	2000	Accounts Payable	2,000.00
04/19/2024	4376	Exeter Supply Inc.l	2000	Accounts Payable	40.08
04/19/2024	4377	Fisher Rental	2000	Accounts Payable	2,996.40
04/19/2024	4378	Kris Wholaver	2000	Accounts Payable	450.00
04/19/2024	4379	Kuzans	2000	Accounts Payable	3,319.19
04/19/2024	4380	L/B Water	2000	Accounts Payable	11,501.75
04/19/2024	4381	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	229.85
04/19/2024	4382	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	7,210.00
04/19/2024	4383	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000	Accounts Payable	646.00

31034.51

GENERAL

04/19/2024	8672	Alarm Tech Systems ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	425.00
04/19/2024	8673	Albright College/CE...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	150.00
04/19/2024	8674	Amtrust Financial	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,853.00
04/19/2024	8675	Berks County Solid ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	500.00
04/19/2024	8676	Co of Berks	200.20	Accounts Pay...	9,278.17
04/19/2024	8677	Comcast	200.20	Accounts Pay...	274.83
04/19/2024	8678	Element Risk Manag...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	12,444.00
04/19/2024	8679	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	435.20
04/19/2024	8680	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,147.00
04/19/2024	8681	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,436.46
04/19/2024	8682	Lift Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	154.97
04/19/2024	8683	Longhorn Landscape	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
04/19/2024	8684	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,926.57
04/19/2024	8685	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	460.00
04/19/2024	8686	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
04/19/2024	8687	Rodney Beard	200.20	Accounts Pay...	42.40
04/19/2024	8688	Sam's Club	200.20	Accounts Pay... 771509022586...	118.62
04/19/2024	8689	Smart Choice	200.20	Accounts Pay...	56.13
04/19/2024	8690	Spotts, Stevens and ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,292.00
04/19/2024	8691	Thren's Auto	200.20	Accounts Pay...	101.93
04/19/2024	8692	Twenty First Century	200.20	Accounts Pay...	329.78
04/19/2024	8693	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,000.00
04/19/2024	8694	United Concordia Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	327.96
04/19/2024	8695	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
04/19/2024	8696	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,113.13

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A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to approve the March financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the March budget, all yes.

Correspondence

- 1. our engineer's monthly report**
- 2. copy of a letter from our solicitor to the owner of the lot east of the railroad on Main Street regarding purchasing the lot**
- 3. NBRP monthly report**
- 4. copy of a letter to our code's officer regarding 37 Railroad Avenue**
- 5. code enforcement report and copies of letters sent to residents**
- 6. our trash and recycling totals**
- 7. copy of the application submitted to DRBC for the renewal of our ground water withdrawal permit**
- 8. our chlorine totals for the month**
- 9. our water report**
- 10. minutes from the NBRP**
- 11. agreement of sale from Jonathan Yeager for lot east of the railroad on Main Street**

Guests

1. Elaine Strause of the Leesport Lockhouse/Historical Society discussed the Memorial Day Program to be held at our new stage this year and the flags that will be displayed
2. The transportation markers that were discussed at last month's meeting, will be delayed
3. An event was recently attended at the Stoltfolz homestead
4. In 2025, the Schuylkill Navigation Company will celebrate its 200th year

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Town Updates
3. We will be celebrating "Keep America Beautiful" the end of this month
4. We recently had some under bridge graffiti, the state removed it, there is an offer of cash reward for a tip leading to the arrest of those responsible
5. our guys were complimented again on their good snow plowing
6. we have a safety barrier now at the end of Main Street at the river
7. the SV classes will be picking up trash around town this week, the town cleanup will end next weekend and we will send in our report
8. next Tuesday is Voting Day and we would like to thank everyone for supporting our town

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Work is almost completed
3. Bern Twp has sent the authority half of the amount owed
4. our solicitor will inform them that the balance must be paid by the deadline, or more expenses will be added to the balance due.

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Police- Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. It was a good month
3. we had some minor car repairs
4. we will have another car out shortly
5. we have a change of venue for our NNO to the Berks County Fairgrounds in Bern Township
6. we had lots of stops on #61 lately

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we will be celebrating our 125th year anniversary in 2025

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We are preparing the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
6. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We will meet with our employees regarding the drainage from Canal Street to the Lockhouse and Laundromat.. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to have our engineer contact a televising company to attempt finding the drainage pipe under E. Wall St, not to exceed \$5000, all yes
8. A property owner and their engineer attended our AdHoc meeting regarding the water aside of the Laundromat
9. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights on #61
10. we have contacted a PennDot representative regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61, they will get back to us
11. After a discussion with our solicitor regarding the Fiber Optic project by Frontier throughout the borough, it was decided that our ordinance for utility street openings would apply here, they are proposing 14 crossings and so far the fees could reach \$4900 plus a \$1000 bond

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

1. Monthly Report
2. DEP has requested we amend our ordinances relating to trash/recycling for our grant application made to them to open our yard waste area..a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to have our solicitor prepare amendments to our ordinances, all yes
3. We have an acceptance response from the owner of the lot east of railroad on Main Street to sell, we will deduct past due taxes owed on the land and pay half transfer taxes and settlement costs...a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to approve and sign a Deed of Dedication and have our president represent the borough at settlement, all yes.
4. We have an email from Epting's attorney, we have conveyed the borough's thoughts and provided our arsenic free lab report

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our grant application for our new recycling yard, our meeting with the county and DEP went very well

Buildings and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We are inquiring about purchasing one lot on Main St and the Emery property at the intersection of Water and Shackamaxon Sts.
2. Our solicitor has prepared a Deed of Dedication for the Emery property and it is being reviewed by the Emery's
3. We are adding some security at our office
4. We have contacted the manager for real estate with Frontier Communications inquiring if they are willing to sell the whole lot to the borough
5. our ball field concession stand was flooded in this last rainstorm, we had the roof patched temporarily for now
6. we will look into repairing the foundation and roof

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly report
2. Our Memorial Day Celebration will be held at the stage this year, we will have all the flags there

Recreation - Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Discuss our playground cameras
3. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
4. We will have our list of projects for 2024 shortly
5. a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to have White's Roofing replace the roof and any wood necessary at the pavilion for \$6000, all yes
6. We are pricing sheds at the Amish Market Place
7. We are getting pricing from Kay Pools to install a pump and a second sand filter
8. We are looking into replacing some of the smaller ride equipment at our older playground

9. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to have the trees trimmed at the pavilion and recreation areas for \$5200, all yes
10. We will have the YMCA hold playground sessions again this year at our Rec Area
11. We will be extending the road to the back of the ball fields with millings from another job
12. We are getting quotes to paint our new stage
13. we are currently interviewing for our summer positions
14. we will be replacing our utility shed at the pool with a 12 x 16 shed from Kuzans for \$5900
15. we have made a tentative list of building and properties versus Recreation for future purchases
16. we will have Twiford Electric give us a quote for additional lighting at the pool

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance discussion
3. We are moving along with our LP tanks, generators, French drains, chlorine analyzers, alarm system and RAFA system
4. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install
5. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line
6. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have received an extension letter from the Epting Project until June 19, 2024
8. We met with the Epting folks last month
9. We will be using our cell phones for our water system monitoring after the installation of our RAFA system is complete
10. We have begun the paper work for the lead connection inspections due by October

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our five year road plan
3. We are having our street sweeping done April 25 and 26 by Industrial Grounds Maintenance, after our street sweeping, we will be doing patching
4. Our engineer is looking into pre-emptive controls for the fire and EMS to control the traffic lights

Unfinished Business

1. our solicitor is preparing our draft parking ordinance
2. our code's officer asked our solicitor to also include in the parking ordinance the verbiage from "paved surfaces to stone surfaces" for more clarification going forth

New Business

1. While we were installing the cameras in the meeting room, pieces of plaster came down from the ceiling inside the drop ceiling... We have called Berks Fire and Water to inspect it
2. the president has asked council to have all reports and information for AdHoc and Council meetings to the secretary by the Monday before the meetings at 5 P.M. going forth

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. On April 5, 2024, we experienced an earthquake
2. we have attended trainings recently, special needs victims were discussed and mass care units

Good and Welfare

1. June 14 is a moon light swim at our pool....a "Swiftee" theme is planned
2. our pool opens Memorial Day

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to adjourn at 7:47 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

May 15, 2024

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 Madeira, Fronina, Moyer, Strause, Goetz and Walborn. Moquin was absent. Also present were Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr., MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT APRIL 30, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	2,125.68
MM	352,322.54
CD	33,962.35

WATER

CHECKING	977.44
MM	108,641.98
CD I	50,143.58
CD II	44,219.77

STATE

CHECKING	232.57
MM	55,667.68

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

1,159.00
1,041.26

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,708.05
Recreation-Rec Board	104,288.23
Payroll fund	894.67
Pension	371,874.65 (3/31/2024)

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Goetz to approve the April 2024, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to approve the May bills, all yes.

BILLS PAID

15-May-24

STATE

05/17/2024	1624	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	50.00
05/17/2024	1625	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	4,200.00
05/17/2024	1626	Telco Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	200.00
					4450.00

WATER

05/17/2024	4384	Elite Opps	2000	Accounts Payable	2,000.00
05/17/2024	4385	Fisher Rental	2000	Accounts Payable	2,996.40
05/17/2024	4386	L/B Water	2000	Accounts Payable	13,864.79
05/17/2024	4387	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	1,904.85
05/17/2024	4388	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	6,500.00
05/17/2024	4389	Millers Lawnmower ...	2000	Accounts Payable	93.92
05/17/2024	4390	Office Basics Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	1,106.98
05/17/2024	4391	Summit Valley Outd...	2000	Accounts Payable	15,404.84
05/17/2024	4392	Truckco	2000	Accounts Payable	67.00

43938.78.

GENERAL

05/16/2024	202	Southern States Bank...	409	BLDG AND PR...	1,359.67
05/16/2024	203	Tompkins Financial	409	BLDG AND PR...	1,259.02
05/17/2024	8697	Stewart Abstract	200.20	Accounts Pay...	12,684.93
05/17/2024	8698	All Temp	200.20	Accounts Pay...	162.00
05/17/2024	8699	Berks County Conser...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	800.00
05/17/2024	8700	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,670.00
05/17/2024	8701	Comcast	200.20	Accounts Pay...	274.83
05/17/2024	8702	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	446.02
05/17/2024	8703	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	450.00
05/17/2024	8704	Full Landscaping	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,500.00
05/17/2024	8705	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,736.00
05/17/2024	8706	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,436.46
05/17/2024	8707	Industrial Grounds M...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,300.00
05/17/2024	8708	Kantners Tire Service	200.20	Accounts Pay...	536.00
05/17/2024	8709	Kuzans Hardware	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,002.47
05/17/2024	8710	Longhorn Landscape	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
05/17/2024	8711	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,614.51
05/17/2024	8712	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	475.00
05/17/2024	8713	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
05/17/2024	8714	RTC	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,803.45
05/17/2024	8715	Seal Master/Allentown	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,628.00
05/17/2024	8716	Summit Valley Outd...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	6,760.51
05/17/2024	8717	Threns	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,055.78
05/17/2024	8718	United Concordia Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	327.96
05/17/2024	8719	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
05/17/2024	8720	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,051.78
05/17/2024	8721	White & Sons	200.20	Accounts Pay...	8,000.00
					123746.13

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the April financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to approve the April 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. copy of our application for our generators' grant**
- 6. our chlorine totals for the month**
- 7. our water report**
- 8. minutes from the NBRP**
- 9. copy of our grant application for the generators at wells and borough hall**
- 10. copy of our grant application for our yard waste recycling site**

Guests

1. Elaine Strause of the Leesport Lockhouse/Historical Society reported the tea event they held recently was successful and that they are preparing for the big event next year of a bi-centennial celebration of the Schuylkill Navigation Co
 - a. the drainage problem at the Lockhouse was discussed, the issue will soon be addressed
2. a resident of Main Street questioned residents having chickens, they were told it is currently being discussed

Mayor – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Town Updates
3. we had a busy month
4. we recently attended a PSAB road conference
5. our street sweeping went very well
6. we have comments that our newsletter should receive a communication's award
7. we have been helping with CLEG initiatives
8. On April 18, we attended a cleanup, it worked very well
9. we attended an EMS Crisis event, it was very informative, they will meet again
10. our Memorial Day event will be held on May 27
11. our next newsletter is at the printer

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. our plant is no longer in overload
3. Epting is working on their sewer module, we have no capacity of transmission

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum attended our AdHoc meeting this month and his report is on file

Police- Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have reports of speeding on Spring Garden St, we will be installing our electronic speed detector
3. our NNO will be held August 6 at the Berks County Fairgrounds

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we will be celebrating our 125th year anniversary in 2025
3. we received a \$15,200 grant for water rescue equipment
4. this is the third year of our federal grant
5. bingo is almost over
6. there will be a First Responders' Festival on May 19, from 11am until 2pm at Bern Church
7. there will be 14 to 15 fire companies attending the NNO event
8. July 27, will be our Corn Hole Event and Raffle

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We have submitted the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
6. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have met with our employees regarding the drainage from Canal Street to the Lockhouse and Laundromat
8. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights on #61
9. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61
10. We are preparing the permits for the Fiber Optic project by Frontier throughout the borough

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

1. Monthly Report
2. with regards to our Well Head Protection Ordinance, Bern Township seems to be ok with it, Ontelaunee Township is concerned. A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to change the wording to a provisional use to be presented to council for their approval and not make it a part of our zoning ordinance and to send to the Berks County Planning Commission again for their suggestions, all yes
3. we have submitted our application for our Recycling Yard grant and have changed some of the wording in our ordinances suggested by DEP to comply with their suggestions to be eligible for a grant
4. with regards to our parking ordinance, we are still working on the details and researching our 1995 records for information regarding our current ordinance

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we have submitted our application for a grant to start up our yard waste recycling site
3. we have contacted Cougles and they have approved our continuing our contract with them for 2 more years and asked that we have our engineer send them the necessary paperwork

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We have not heard from the Emery family regarding the Deed of Dedication.
2. We have a quote from Berks Fire and Water to remove our damaged first floor ceiling for \$13,298.62...we have called two other companies, one will stop in shortly, the other has not called back...a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to award the job not to exceed \$13,298.62 to the lowest company, all yes.
3. We have contacted the manager for real estate with Frontier Communications inquiring if they are willing to sell the whole lot to the borough on Leesport Avenue west of the railroad
4. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to purchase a zero turn mower from Reading Kubota on Costars to replace our older model that has become inoperable for \$15,267.89, all yes.

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly report
2. Our Memorial Day Celebration will be held at the stage this year, we will have all the flags there

Recreation –Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Discuss our playground cameras
3. We are looking into replacing some of the smaller ride equipment at our older playground
4. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
5. We have approved several items to purchase this season
6. We have a large shed ordered to be placed at the back of the pool at the fence
7. We have a quote to paint the stage and bathrooms for \$4800..a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to have them painted for \$4800, all yes
8. Our men will be installing gates at the soccer field entrance and our ballfield entrance
9. We had new roofs put on our pavilion and concession stand
10. We have 2 quotes for paving our 2 basketball courts... a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to have our courts paved by Folk, the lowest bidder, for \$13,310, all yes... and a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to purchase the material from NESL under the CoStars contract for \$18,800, all yes
11. We will install vents in the stage rooms now and possibly fans later
12. On August 2, we will have movies in the park and a moon light swim
13. not included on our meeting agenda, was the need for an upgrade to our pool lights.... considering it is a clear and present danger to the safety of the operation of our pool, a

motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to have Twiford Electric upgrade our lights and install new poles where necessary not to exceed \$11,000, all yes.

14. we had the pool house's water heater replaced today
15. the YMCA is ready for our summer playground program to begin June 17 to August 9 from 9am to 1pm Monday through Friday..(not to be held on July 4th)
16. we have all our summer personnel hired and recently met with them

Water and Municipal Authority- Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance discussion
3. We are moving along with our LP tanks, generators, French drains, chlorine analyzers, alarm system and RAFA system
4. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install
5. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line
6. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have received an extension letter from the Epting Project until June 19, 2024
8. We will be using our cell phones for our water system monitoring after the installation of our RAFA system is complete
9. We have a quote to have our Well #4 fence replaced by Pro Max, a Co Stars vendor, we called 2 other vendors that said the job was too big for them to call Pro Max...a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to have a black fence installed by Pro Max for \$40,677, under the CoStars contract, all yes...a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to have ProMax adjust their quotation to reflect the materials and installation separately to comply with the under the \$25,000 bid ceiling and the CoStars cost of the materials reflect the difference.. all yes
10. Our well #4 has been taken off line because of a break in the transmission line...we had Kohl Bros here to pull the head and found it to be secure...we have arranged to have the trees trimmed at the well to allow the excavation of the transmission line by a contractor and repaired.... a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to have well #4 repaired and the brush and trees removed and cleared for the repair, all yes.

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following;

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our five year road plan
3. We will begin our patching shortly
4. Our engineer is looking into pre-emptive controls for the fire and EMS to control the traffic lights
5. Our library is having an issue with over parking during sports events
6. We will begin cleaning up large trees along N. Canal St shortly
7. Our old zero turn mower is no longer operational, we have purchased a new one

Unfinished Business

1. we are working on our draft parking ordinance

New Business

1. We will be participating in the Police National Night Out, held on August 6, again this year
2. We are considering adding a chicken section to our Zoning Ordinance... .. after some discussion, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to send our draft zoning amendment ordinance to both our Leesport Planning Commission and the Berks County Planning Commission, all yes

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. we have DES training next week
2. we are updating our business information

Good and Welfare

1. our pool is opening Memorial Day Weekend
2. Saturday, June 1 and June 8 our Lockhouse will be open

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to adjourn at 7:41 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

June 19, 2024

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 Madeira, Moyer, Strause, Goetz and Walborn. Moquin, Fronina and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr., were absent. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT MAY 31, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	15,541.34
MM	478,692.82
CD	34,093.38

WATER

CHECKING	1,038.98
MM	148,439.80
CD I	50,355.02
CD II	44,390.07

STATE

CHECKING	282.60
MM	51,271.32

CODE ENFORCEMENT	803.50
DISTRICT JUSTICE	1,028.42

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,767.87
Recreation-Rec Board	101,422.63
Payroll fund	932.67
Pension	360,228.12 (4/30/2024)

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Goetz to approve the May 2024, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to approve the June bills, all yes.

STATE

06/20/2024	1627	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	14.77
06/20/2024	1628	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	40.00
06/20/2024	1629	Telco Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	832.00
					886.77

WATER

06/20/2024	4393	Commonwealth of Pe...	2000	Accounts Payable	4,000.00
06/20/2024	4394	Diversified Tech Corp	2000	Accounts Payable	335.00
06/20/2024	4395	Elite Water Ops	2000	Accounts Payable	2,000.00
06/20/2024	4396	Exster Supply Inc.l	2000	Accounts Payable	4,800.93
06/20/2024	4397	Fisher Rental	2000	Accounts Payable	2,996.40
06/20/2024	4398	Full Landscaping	2000	Accounts Payable	13,900.00
06/20/2024	4399	Gen Serve	2000	Accounts Payable	768.00
06/20/2024	4400	christopher C. Hemmig	2000	Accounts Payable	7,837.88
06/20/2024	4401	Kris Wholaver	2000	Accounts Payable	385.00
06/20/2024	4402	Kuzans	2000	Accounts Payable	14,042.81
06/20/2024	4403	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	464.70
06/20/2024	4404	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	50.00
06/20/2024	4405	Millers Lawnmower ...	2000	Accounts Payable	52.00
06/20/2024	4406	Smart Choice	2000	Accounts Payable	10,200.00
06/20/2024	4407	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000	Accounts Payable	5,884.04
06/20/2024	4408	Summit Valley Outd...	2000	Accounts Payable	65,134.29
06/20/2024	4409	Wex Co	2000	Accounts Payable	1,307.91
					134158.96

GENERAL

06/19/2024	206	Southern States Bank...	408	PROFESSION...	389.36
06/19/2024	207	Tompkins Financial	408	PROFESSION...	1,849.72
06/20/2024	8722	All Temp	200.20	Accounts Pay...	345.03
06/20/2024	8723	Am Trust	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,346.00
06/20/2024	8724	American Continental	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,773.23
06/20/2024	8725	Berks Fire & Water	200.20	Accounts Pay...	6,601.10
06/20/2024	8726	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,198.00
06/20/2024	8727	Centerport Flower Sh...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	240.00
06/20/2024	8728	Christopher C. Hem...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,965.12
06/20/2024	8729	CNA Surety	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,143.75
06/20/2024	8730	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	106.72
06/20/2024	8731	Element Risk Manag...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	12,443.00
06/20/2024	8732	Fasig Pressue Washing	200.20	Accounts Pay...	450.00
06/20/2024	8733	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	402.66
06/20/2024	8734	Full Landscaping	200.20	Accounts Pay...	9,500.00
06/20/2024	8735	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	851.50
06/20/2024	8736	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,436.46
06/20/2024	8737	Lift Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	805.22
06/20/2024	8738	Longhorn Landscape	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
06/20/2024	8739	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,775.43
06/20/2024	8740	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	60.00
06/20/2024	8741	Micro Air Computers...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	50.00
06/20/2024	8742	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	360.00
06/20/2024	8743	New Enterprise Ston...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	16,354.16
06/20/2024	8744	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
06/20/2024	8745	Pro Max Fence	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,334.00
06/20/2024	8746	PSMA	200.20	Accounts Pay...	30.00
06/20/2024	8747	Reading Tractor and ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	15,267.89
06/20/2024	8748	Schwank Painting	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,400.00
06/20/2024	8749	SOS Business Machi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	395.00
06/20/2024	8750	Summit Valley Outd...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	670.91
06/20/2024	8751	Twenty First Century	200.20	Accounts Pay...	84.56
06/20/2024	8752	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	20.00
06/20/2024	8753	United Concordia Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	327.96
06/20/2024	8754	USAble Life	200.20	Accounts Pay...	117.00
06/20/2024	8755	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
06/20/2024	8756	WellCare	200.20	Accounts Pay...	473.40
06/20/2024	8757	White & Sons	200.20	Accounts Pay...	510.00
					157488.92

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to approve the May financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to approve the May 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. minutes from the NBRP**
- 8. a letter from the Epting developers extending the acceptance date to September 18, 2024**

Guests

1. Elaine Strause of the Leesport Lockhouse/Historical Society reporting the upcoming events....they are all advertised on our website and lots of fun for the public

Mayor

1. a motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Walborn to pay \$665 for our Mayor to attend a conference July 18 – 21 in Johnstown, all yes.

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. We met last evening
2. we recently had a motor failure, the motor was replaced
3. Bern Township has paid a remaining balance of \$46,593.06 toward the upgrades to the sewer plant

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to have our solicitor assist with having papers served on a resident for violations, all yes,

Police- Chief Keiser reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we are ordering one new car for now and two for next year
3. our NNO will be held August 6 at the Berks County Fairgrounds

Fire Company - Ethan Moquin reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we will be celebrating our 125th year anniversary in 2025
3. July 27, will be our Corn Hole Event and Raffle

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant
3. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
4. We have submitted the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
6. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We have met with our employees regarding the drainage from Canal Street to the Lockhouse and Laundromat
8. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights on #61
9. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61 and Shackamaxon Street
10. We have contacted Frontier Communications regarding the various holes dug through the borough and the permits and bond they did not apply for

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance
2. We are also working on updating our Parking Draft Ordinance, we will include the recommendations from SSM Group in the draft ordinance. We will also amend our current ordinance to correct some signs incorrectly listed and better define surfaces for cars to park
3. We have a Deed of Dedication Resolution to pass and sign with regards to the land we received at the end of Water Street from the property owner...a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to pass and sign Resolution #265-2024, all yes
4. A motion was made and later withdrawn to have our solicitor advertise a draft amendment ordinance regarding poultry. The draft will first be sent to the County Planning and our Planning Commissions for comments

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we are having some issues with our collections lately

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. We have purchased the lot east of the railroad tracks on Main Street for Recreational purposes
2. We have signed a Deed of Dedication from a land owner for land at the end on Water Street

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. our Memorial Day celebration went very well

Recreation – Moyer reported the following;

1. Our Community Days will be September 6 and 7
2. Our men will be installing gates at the soccer field entrance and our ball field entrance
3. On August 2, we will have movies in the park and a moon light swim
4. we installed a new pool pump
5. we had the deck power washed
6. we purchased 2 new benches for the basketball court
7. our YMCA program has 60 youths signed up this year
8. we are having 2 new gates installed at the ball field and the SV trail
9. we had all the large trees trimmed at the recreational areas

Water and Municipal Authority- Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install
3. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line
4. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
5. We have received an extension letter from the Epting Project until September 18, 2024
6. Our Well #4 is back on line after some emergency repairs
7. Wells #3 and #5 ran nonstop to keep up with the demand....
A problem developed with Well #5 and Kohl Bros was called to do testing and for the replacement of an old inefficient pump, cost to be upwards of \$42,000....a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to have Kohl Bros complete the work and installation of a pump including a water level indicator, all yes.

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following;

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our five year road plan
3. We have arranged for a contractor to do our pot hole patching this year
4. Our engineer is looking into pre-emptive controls for the fire and EMS to control the traffic lights
5. We will schedule Water and Shackamaxon Streets first on our list to do this year because of purchasing the end of Water St
6. We are discussing our draft parking ordinance and amending our road's and sign's ordinance because of some irregularities

Unfinished Business

1. we are working on our draft parking ordinance
2. we are working on adding poultry to our zoning ordinance

New Business

1. We will be participating in the Police National Night Out, held on August 6, again this year

EMC

1. We attended a summit planning program on May 16
2. The EMC training went very well on May 29

Good and Welfare

1. The NNO event will be held on August 6, 2024, the borough will be participating

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to adjourn at 7:01 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:01 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

July 17, 2024

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 Madeira, Moyer, Strause, Goetz, Moquin, Fronina and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Walborn was absent. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Coyle, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flag

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

FINANCIAL REPORT JUNE 30, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	8,054.16
MM	375,657.73
CD	34,229.31

WATER

CHECKING	880.66
MM	16,756.63
CD I	50,574.43
CD II	44,566.75

STATE

CHECKING	395.86
MM	50,467.46

CODE ENFORCEMENT	639.50
DISTRICT JUSTICE	1,149.56

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,829.92
Recreation-Rec Board	118,526.22
Payroll fund	894.72
Pension	370,107.23 (5/31/2024)

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Moyer to approve the June 2024, minutes, all yes.

STATE

07/18/2024	1630	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	50.00
07/18/2024	1631	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	40.00
07/18/2024	1632	Telco Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	100.00
					190.00

WATER

07/18/2024	4410	christopher C. Hemmig	2000	Accounts Payable	321.74
07/18/2024	4411	Coyne Chemical Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	4,026.40
07/18/2024	4412	Comm of PA	2000	Accounts Payable	500.00
07/18/2024	4413	Commonwealth of Pe...	2000	Accounts Payable	100.00
07/18/2024	4414	Elite Opps	2000	Accounts Payable	2,100.00
07/18/2024	4415	Kohl Bros., Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	42,230.00
07/18/2024	4416	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	224.90
07/18/2024	4417	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	50.00
07/18/2024	4418	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000	Accounts Payable	7,903.06
07/18/2024	4419	Summit Valley Outd...	2000	Accounts Payable	7,134.04
07/18/2024	4420	T.A.Duffey	2000	Accounts Payable	1,950.00
07/18/2024	4421	Wex Co	2000	Accounts Payable	1,300.00

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GENERAL

07/18/2024	210	Southern States Bank...	408	PROFESSION...	1,590.22
07/18/2024	211	Tompkins Financial	408	PROFESSION...	2,199.75
07/18/2024	8758	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,027.00
07/18/2024	8759	Christopher C. Hem...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,635.50
07/18/2024	8760	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	532.44
07/18/2024	8761	Fisher's Rental	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,996.40
07/18/2024	8762	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	430.39
07/18/2024	8763	Full Landscaping	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,750.00
07/18/2024	8764	George Ely	200.20	Accounts Pay...	6,700.00
07/18/2024	8765	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,668.11
07/18/2024	8766	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,436.46
07/18/2024	8767	Kantners Tire Service	200.20	Accounts Pay...	20.00
07/18/2024	8768	Kuzans Hardware	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,468.01
07/18/2024	8769	Longhorn Landscape	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
07/18/2024	8770	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,662.25
07/18/2024	8771	Manderbach Ford Inc	200.20	Accounts Pay...	560.67
07/18/2024	8772	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	80.90
07/18/2024	8773	Micro Air Computers...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,212.40
07/18/2024	8774	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,434.50
07/18/2024	8775	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
07/18/2024	8776	Office Basics	200.20	Accounts Pay...	197.76
07/18/2024	8777	Robert J. Davidson A...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,500.00
07/18/2024	8778	Rodney Beard	200.20	Accounts Pay...	65.00
07/18/2024	8779	Ronnie Folk	200.20	Accounts Pay...	13,310.00
07/18/2024	8780	Sam's Club	200.20	Accounts Pay... 771509022586...	117.53
07/18/2024	8781	Strategic Security	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,419.00
07/18/2024	8782	Thren's Auto	200.20	Accounts Pay...	211.70
07/18/2024	8783	Twenty First Century	200.20	Accounts Pay...	266.07
07/18/2024	8784	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	20.00
07/18/2024	8785	United Concordia Inc	200.20	Accounts Pay...	327.96
07/18/2024	8786	V & M Towing	200.20	Accounts Pay...	263.75
07/18/2024	8787	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	18,219.40

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A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the July bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to approve the June financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira 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. minutes from the NBRP
8. a thank you email from the SVCL for all the borough does for them

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. all is good in the borough right now and our new RAFA water system should be installed shortly
2. the recreation areas look amazing with all the recent improvements
3. the mayor's conference will be held from tomorrow until Sunday
4. we did not receive the communications' award this time for our Leesport Reporter, hopefully next time

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we are still trying to have a resident in violation served with the paperwork

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. July 27, will be our Corn Hole Event and Raffle

Engineer – Jason Coyle for Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Letter sent to SV School to contribute to cost of water line
2. We have submitted the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
3. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
4. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
5. We are still working on the drainage issue at the Lockhouse

6. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61 and Shackamaxon Street
7. We have contacted Frontier Communications regarding the various holes dug through the borough and the permits and bond they did not apply for

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance
2. a draft ordinance amendment to our zoning ordinance has been distributed to council for review regarding poultry inclusion...the ordinance will also include a registration and making aware of good education information available for the keeping of poultry, we will have a motion to advertise next month after we submit the draft to the Berks County Planning Commission and our Planning Commission for review and receive their comments
3. We are also working on updating our Parking Draft Ordinance and address the parking on Water Street..which may need a study and better define surfaces for cars to park.. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to advertise our draft parking ordinance after Water St and Shackamaxon Streets are measured for no parking, all yes

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we have submitted our application for a grant for starting up our recycling yard.
3. our recycling agreement extension has been approved by Cougles. We need to send them a change order, our engineer is handling the preparation

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. we have had our borough office ceiling removed because of falling plaster...our security system will be completed shortly
2. a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Goetz to have our security technician complete our cameras and security entry system with TMobile and download them on our computers, all yes.

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well

Recreation – Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Our men will be installing gates at the soccer field entrance and our ballfield entrance
3. On August 2, we will have movies in the park and a moon light swim
4. We had a large tree removed at the playground bathrooms
5. The lighting at our pool is much better now with the new installations
6. We will be scheduling new uses for our stage and request certificates of insurance from the users

Water and Municipal Authority- Moquin reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have contacted L/B Water to schedule our RAFA system install
3. Our engineer is preparing specs for the SV water line
4. We are applying for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine system
5. We have received an extension letter from the
Epting Project until September 18, 2024
6. Our Well #4 is back on line after some emergency repairs
7. Kohl Bros has completed the repair and installation of a new pump
and water level indicator at well #5

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We are working on our five year road plan
3. We have arranged for a contractor to do our pot hole patching
this year
4. Our engineer is looking into pre-emptive controls for
the fire and EMS to control the traffic lights
5. We will schedule Water and Shackamaxon Streets first on our
list to do this year because of purchasing the end of Water St
6. We are discussing our draft parking ordinance and amending
our roads' and signs' ordinance because of some irregularities

New Business

1. We will look into an Intermunicipal Agreement with Ontelaunee Twp
2. Redners has offered to donate water for our NNO event....our men can
pickup and transport to the event
3. Our solicitor will be writing a letter to the Frontier Communications Company
regarding the recent work they are performing in our borough without permits
or a bond in place

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. We had some damage from the June 26 storm
2. We will have an intermunicipal group to help each other with
cleanup events
3. We will have an Incident Action Plan for upcoming events
4. We have a new plan from one of our Day Care facilities in town
5. We will look into having a test plan initiated for our town siren

Good and Welfare

1. The NNO event will be held on August 6, 2024, the borough
will be participating

An executive session was called on real estate at 6:52 P.M., they returned at 7:13 P.M.
The executive session was call on real estate.

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Moyer to adjourn at 7:13 P.M., all yes,
meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

August 21, 2024

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 Madeira, Moyer, Strause, Goetz, Walborn and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Fronina and Moquin were absent. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flag

FINANCIAL REPORT JULY 31, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	576.31
MM	256,320.49
CD	34,361.38

WATER

CHECKING	1,040.81
MM	86,056.71
CD I	50,784.73
CD II	44,738.39

STATE

CHECKING	405.84
MM	50,365.61

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

1,080.05
1,041.46

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	14,890.23
Recreation-Rec Board	118,891.21
Payroll fund	902.54
Pension	372,551.33 (6/30/2024)

A motion was made by Maderia and seconded by Walborn to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Goetz to approve the July 2024, minutes, all yes.

STATE

08/22/2024	1633	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	13.11
08/22/2024	1634	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,218.83
08/22/2024	1635	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	210.50

3442.44

WATER

08/22/2024	207	Southern States -Mas...	449 WATER FACILIT...	2,442.14
08/22/2024	4422	Diversified Tech Corp	2000 · Accounts Payable	941.24
08/22/2024	4423	Gen Serve	2000 · Accounts Payable	768.00
08/22/2024	4424	christopher C. Hemmig	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,038.00
08/22/2024	4425	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,436.46
08/22/2024	4426	Kris Wholaver	2000 · Accounts Payable	270.00
08/22/2024	4427	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,075.00
08/22/2024	4428	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	594.60
08/22/2024	4429	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	93.14
08/22/2024	4430	Promax Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	40,677.00
08/22/2024	4431	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	12,907.68
08/22/2024	4432	Threns	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,403.94
08/22/2024	4433	21st Century Media -...	2000 · Accounts Payable	222.60
08/22/2024	4434	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	327.96
08/22/2024	4435	USable Life Ins.	2000 · Accounts Payable	117.00

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GENERAL

08/22/2024	8788	All Temp	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	144.16
08/22/2024	8789	Berks Fire & Water	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	6,601.11
08/22/2024	8790	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	835.00
08/22/2024	8791	Christopher C. Hem...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	487.19
08/22/2024	8792	Comm of PA	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	10.00
08/22/2024	8793	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	713.40
08/22/2024	8794	David J. Reimer, Sr	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	664.60
08/22/2024	8795	Element Risk Manag...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	191.00
08/22/2024	8796	Fisher's Rental	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,996.40
08/22/2024	8797	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	428.14
08/22/2024	8798	Full Landscaping	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	15,200.00
08/22/2024	8799	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,737.84
08/22/2024	8800	Kuzans Hardware	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	5,468.27
08/22/2024	8801	Longhorn Landscape	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
08/22/2024	8802	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,349.91
08/22/2024	8803	Manderbach Ford Inc	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	4,261.47
08/22/2024	8804	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	295.72
08/22/2024	8805	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,892.60
08/22/2024	8806	New Enterprise Ston...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	27,409.46
08/22/2024	8807	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
08/22/2024	8808	Ontelaunee Township	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	5,476.59
08/22/2024	8809	Ronnie Folk	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	11,710.00
08/22/2024	8810	RTC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	253.14
08/22/2024	8811	Summit Valley Outd...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	5,207.84
08/22/2024	8812	Thren's Auto	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	19.98
08/22/2024	8813	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	175.91
08/22/2024	8814	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	16,376.00
08/22/2024	8815	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	20.00
08/22/2024	8816	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
08/22/2024	8817	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,085.07

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A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the August bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to approve the July financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the July 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. minutes from the NBRP
8. a letter from the Epting developers extending the approval date for their project until December 18, 2024.

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. All is good
2. the Mayor's conference we recently attended was really good
3. we have been researching DCED training for grants
4. we attended a SV Library ice cream social on August 9
5. our new edition of our Leesport Reporter will be distributed shortly
6. we will be attending several meetings to obtain more information for our town
7. September 6 and 7, are our Community Days
8. we will be a guest reader at our library soon
9. NNO will be held September 24, at the Berks County Fair Grounds on County Welfare Road

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time
2. we met last evening
3. we had Kurt Dahms, a representative from Americold, at our meeting asking for a reduction in their sewer rates
4. our solicitor is working on the agreement with Bern Township

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Police – Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. our NNO will be held September 24, from 6 to 8 P.M. with fire works at the Berks County Fair Grounds in Bern Township

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. a letter was sent in to the county committing to hosting the voting venue again this fall
3. we received a grant along with other fire companies for equipment
4. we have begun the preparations for our 125th Anniversary
5. our banquet will be held October 4

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We will need a temporary easement for the proposed SV Water line
3. We will contact the state regarding fixing 2 catch basins on Main Street
4. We are preparing the grant application for reimbursement for our generators
5. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
6. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine system
7. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive control for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights
8. We will meet with the borough's water operator regarding procedures
9. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves on #61
10. We are having a continual problem with Frontier, they have not received permits nor have they given the borough a performance bond for their work
11. we will be moving forward with our plan to have the line televised at the Lockhouse
12. A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Moyer to approve the Epting Project extension to December 18, 2024, all voted yes.

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance
2. A draft ordinance amendment to our zoning ordinance has been distributed to council for review regarding poultry inclusion...the ordinance will also include a registration and making aware of good education information available for the keeping of poultry, the draft has been reviewed by the Berks County Planning Commission and our Planning Commission ...a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to advertise the ordinance, all voted yes
3. Our Parking Ordinance has been advertised..opening the floor to the public and hearing no comments, the floor was closed, a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to pass Ordinance #490 amending Ordinance # 365, all voted yes
4. our solicitor will be preparing an agreement with our fire company and our recreation board concerning the use of designated tax monies and the procedures for presenting their requests

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. our engineer is preparing an addendum for the contract continuance for our recycling with Cougles

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. Our security system will be completed shortly
2. we had new window treatments installed by Lowes
3. we are working with TMobile with regards to hot spots

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well

Recreation – Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have installed gates at the entrance to the ball fields and the SRGW trail
3. We have completed the basketball courts with the installation of the new poles
4. A thank you to our men for all their hard work to the recreation area
5. Our income has been down this season
6. Our rentals have been good
7. A special thank you to our councilman Walborn for all his help
8. the storm damage to the ball field concession stand was not covered by our insurance or the SV League's insurance because of its condition, we had planned to have the roof replaced, but will hold off and perhaps consider a new shed instead
9. our pool closes after Labor Day
10. the ball tournament, held by the Weyandt Family, will donate the profits to our roof project for our stage

Water and Municipal Authority- Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance is being worked on by our solicitor
3. Our RAFA system has been installed and we are in the trial stage with the operation..our men have had the program installed on their private phones.. There was discussion from our engineer and licensed operator regarding the water pressure in our CL17 test line, needing to have a higher pressure to keep the chlorine active in the line for the periodic tests...the higher pressure is causing the waste water to pond at our French drains.....after much discussion, it was decided to have a smaller test line installed at the wells to try to keep the chlorine in the line more stable while not allowing the waste water to pond at the French drains....we will revisit the issue after the smaller test lines are installed
4. We will reimburse our men \$20 a week each for using their personal cell phones, a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to reimburse our men \$20 weekly for the use of their cell phones to run our water system, all voted yes
5. Our engineer has prepared specs for the SV water line
6. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
7. We will meet with our engineer and water operator regarding procedures

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Folk has completed our hot patching....we have quotes to repair Butcher Alley for \$16,275 and N. Canal St for \$19,670... plus the material from NESL under costars....a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to have Folk make the repairs to both streets for the quoted figures, all voted yes
3. We will get a quote in spring to do all our stop pads
4. We have information about AI's for trucks for road's inspections
5. We have had our weeds in the streets sprayed, they will be sprayed again for missed areas and regrowth
6. We will look into leasing a backhoe for a year at a time if we do not get the recycling grant

Unfinished Business

1. We have an assistance agreement and resolution prepared by our solicitor with Ontelaunee Township..a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Walborn to sign the agreement, all voted yes ..A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Goetz to sign the resolution, our designated representative will be our road's foreman, all voted yes

New Business

1. Our fire company will be coming to council later this fall regarding some future purchases
2. Our NNO was cancelled due to weather and has been rescheduled for September 24, 6 to 8 P.M.
3. Our fire company has notified the county that they will again host the election event this fall.

Good and Welfare

1. Our MMO for our 2025 pension plan will be \$10,567
2. our trash receptacles at our SRGW trail are missing, we have ordered 2 more

An executive session was called on real estate and possible litigation at 7:16 P.M., they returned at 7:51 P.M.

The executive session was call on real estate and possible litigation..

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Walborn to adjourn at 7:51 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

September 18, 2024

The meeting of the Council of the Borough of Leesport was called to order by President Pro Tem Cody Madeira 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 Madeira, Fronina, Strause (on zoom), Moquin, Goetz, Walborn and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Moyer was absent. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flags

FINANCIAL REPORT AUGUST 31, 2024

GENERAL	
CHECKING	632.27
MM	181,184.94
CD	34,498.38
WATER	
CHECKING	843.91
MM	27,071.90
CD I	51,002.95
CD II	44,916.45
STATE	
CHECKING	63.43
MM	47,361.39
CODE ENFORCEMENT	454.50
DISTRICT JUSTICE	793.68
SPECIAL FUNDS	
Sesquicentennial Fund	14,952.80
Recreation-Rec Board	113,150.04
Payroll fund	874.19
Pension	378,761.28 (7/31/2024)

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Goetz to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to approve the August 2024, minutes, all yes.

STATE

09/18/2024	1636	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	35.72
09/18/2024	1637	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	7,321.09
09/18/2024	1638	Telco Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	617.66

7974.47

WATER

09/18/2024	4436	christopher C. Hemmig	2000	Accounts Payable	18,588.63
09/18/2024	4437	Elite Opps	2000	Accounts Payable	2,000.00
09/18/2024	4438	Exeter Supply Inc.l	2000	Accounts Payable	1,263.62
09/18/2024	4439	Fisher Rental	2000	Accounts Payable	2,996.40
09/18/2024	4440	Francis Werley	2000	Accounts Payable	866.75
09/18/2024	4441	Longhorn Landscaping	2000	Accounts Payable	2,500.00
09/18/2024	4442	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	2,204.80
09/18/2024	4443	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	1,487.46
09/18/2024	4444	Office Basics Inc.	2000	Accounts Payable	52.70
09/18/2024	4445	Sensaphone	2000	Accounts Payable	131.40
09/18/2024	4446	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000	Accounts Payable	4,287.50
09/18/2024	4447	Suburban Propane	2000	Accounts Payable	328.10
09/18/2024	4448	Summit Valley Outd...	2000	Accounts Payable	13,475.82

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GENERAL

09/18/2024	215	Southern States Bank...	408	PROFESSION...	332.65
09/18/2024	8818	Aetna Coventry	200.20	Accounts Pay...	3,030.01
09/18/2024	8819	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,276.00
09/18/2024	8820	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	434.86
09/18/2024	8821	Full Landscaping	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,850.00
09/18/2024	8822	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,605.44
09/18/2024	8823	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,436.46
09/18/2024	8824	Kantners Tire Service	200.20	Accounts Pay...	415.00
09/18/2024	8825	Kris Wholaver	200.20	Accounts Pay...	180.00
09/18/2024	8826	Kuzans Hardware	200.20	Accounts Pay...	4,917.07
09/18/2024	8827	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,490.05
09/18/2024	8828	Manderbach Ford Inc	200.20	Accounts Pay...	400.73
09/18/2024	8829	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	669.63
09/18/2024	8830	Micro Air Computers...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	160.00
09/18/2024	8831	New Enterprise Ston...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	106.66
09/18/2024	8832	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
09/18/2024	8833	Reading Eagle	200.20	Accounts Pay...	629.00
09/18/2024	8834	Rodney Beard	200.20	Accounts Pay...	235.00
09/18/2024	8835	Ronnie Folk	200.20	Accounts Pay...	9,060.00
09/18/2024	8836	RTC	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,560.00
09/18/2024	8837	T Mobile	200.20	Accounts Pay...	180.00
09/18/2024	8838	Truckco Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	180.00
09/18/2024	8839	Twenty First Century	200.20	Accounts Pay...	495.63
09/18/2024	8840	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	20.00
09/18/2024	8841	United Concordia Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	327.96
09/18/2024	8842	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
09/18/2024	8843	Well Care	200.20	Accounts Pay...	473.40
09/18/2024	8844	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	923.70

96300.99

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to approve the September bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to approve the August financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to approve the August 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. **minutes from the NBRP**
8. **a letter from our fire company regarding their purchasing Air Packs**
9. **a request from our fire company to host a car washing event to benefit a local youth that is ill**

Guests –

1. Heather Hanna – a district 5-0 candidate running for election this fall..she will be hosting a Meet and Greet on October 1, 3 pm to 6pm in Centerport.
2. Representatives from the SV Library with updates of their yearly accomplishments and thanking council for their support
3. Elaine Strause of the Lockhouse/Historical Society, reporting of upcoming events and the success of Community Days
4. a resident of N. Centre Avenue complaining to council regarding a letter he received from our code enforcement officer regarding grass/weeds growing in his sidewalk

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Town Updates
2. Tompkins Bank will be celebrating their 115th anniversary
3. We will be attending a DCNR workshop
4. Our Community Days event was very successful
5. We are working with several appraisers regarding land acquisitions
6. We will be reading to children at the library on Friday, September 27

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time
2. we have televised the line on N. Canal Street, there is an area where the line has an irregularity, we will have a plan of action in the future
3. we met last evening
4. our bill server has enlisted a new credit card company and the fees are changing to a charge of 3% per bill payment

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have recently sent letters to residents regarding their grass/weeds
3. we have filed another citation against a resident for a reoccurring issue
4. we have a problem with a resident on Main Street whose home has a pending foreclosure

Police – Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. our NNO will be held September 24, from 6 to 8 P.M. with fire works at the Berks County Fair Grounds in Bern Township
3. we are working on a new contract at the present time
4. we will be listing some cars on Municibid soon

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we have begun the preparations for our 125th Anniversary
3. our banquet will be held October 4

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. we will email SV school regarding the grant for the water line installation to possibly bid next year
3. We received our generator grant
4. We are contacting the state regarding the rain water on Main Street
5. We have applied for a permit from DEP to operate our new chlorine reading system
6. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights
7. We will be contacting the state regarding our water valves being resurfaced over on #61
8. We are having a continual problem with Frontier's residential disturbances...we have been in touch with several Frontier contacts

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance
2. A draft ordinance amendment to our zoning ordinance has been distributed to council for review regarding poultry inclusion....the ordinance will also include a registration and making aware of good education information available for the keeping of poultry, the ordinance has been advertised and will be passed in October
3. We will be preparing an agreement/policy for our fire company and our recreation board concerning the use of their 1 mil recreation/fire taxes

Recycling – Goetz reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. our engineer is preparing an addendum for the contract continuance for our recycling with Cougles

Building and Properties

1. Our security system will be completed shortly
2. we are working with TMobile with regards to hot spots

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well

Recreation

1. Monthly Report
2. The storm damage to the ball field concession stand was not covered by our insurance or the SV League's insurance because of its condition, we had planned to have the roof replaced, but will hold off and perhaps consider a new shed instead
3. Our pool has closed for the season
4. Our solicitor is preparing a policy to be used by our Recreation Board for the requesting and use of the 1 mil recreation tax

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Our engineer has prepared specs for the SV water line
3. we are having some issues with the operation of the new RAFA system, we have been working with the folks from RAFA, our engineer and our men and our water licensed operator, and it was suggested we should have the new system up and operating by next AdHoc meeting or some decisions need to be made going forth
4. we have called Kohl Bros to well #5 site for a pump failure, we suspect an electrical issue

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Folk will begin Butcher Alley and N. Canal Street October 2 and 3
3. we will install a stop sign at well #4 street intersection of Degler Avenue and Leesport Avenue

New Business

1. Our fire Co has given council a letter asking for \$16,500 of the fire tax monies for their share of the cost of Air Packs after the grant awarded to several fire companies
2. Our NNO was cancelled due to weather and has been rescheduled for September 24, 5:30 to 8 P.M.
3. Our fire company has notified the county that they will again host the election event this fall
4. Our solicitor is preparing agreements with the fire company and recreation board regarding the use of our 1 mil fire/recreation taxes

EMC

1. we had recent training and all our plans and items are in the cloud
2. we can track a crisis on line and eliminate a trail of paper work

Good and Welfare

1. Our fire company has asked to use water for a car wash to benefit a local youth who is ill ..a motion was made to allow the fire company to use the water at no charge by Fronina and seconded by Moquin, all yes
2. Our MMO for 2025 will be \$10,567
3. We will be preparing the 2025 proposed budget for the October meeting, we have received notification of several of our suppliers of their rising costs and having to increase their costs to us
4. our old zero turn mower was sold on Muncibid for \$900
5. A motion was made by Strause and seconded by Moquin to advertise Halloween on October 31, 6 pm to 9 pm and our Halloween curfew, all yes
6. A special thank you to Cody Madeira our President Pro Tem for running the meeting

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to adjourn at 7:10 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

October 16, 2024

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 Madeira, Fronina, Strause, Moquin, Goetz, Walborn, Moyer and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Coyle, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flag

A motion was made by Maderia and seconded by Goetz to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	356.11
MM	209,969.13
CD	34,635.92

WATER

CHECKING	544.21
MM	45,166.00
CD I	51,222.11
CD II	44,095.22

STATE

CHECKING	89.03
MM	39,442.24

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

1,099.20
662.48

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	15,015.64
Recreation-Rec Board	112,586.55
Payroll fund	905.23
Pension	384,282.71 (8/31/2024)

A motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn to approve the September 2024, minutes, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Madeira to approve the October bills, all yes.

STATE				
10/17/2024	1639	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	36.01
10/17/2024	1640	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,218.09
10/17/2024	1641	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	341.70
				4595.80

WATER				
10/17/2024	4449	christopher C. Hemmig	2000 · Accounts Payable	4,893.79
10/17/2024	4450	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,100.00
10/17/2024	4451	Fisher Rental	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,996.40
10/17/2024	4452	Gen Serve	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,564.29
10/17/2024	4453	Kris Wholaver	2000 · Accounts Payable	180.00
10/17/2024	4454	Kuzans	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,174.29
10/17/2024	4455	L/B Water	2000 · Accounts Payable	488.65
10/17/2024	4456	Longhorn Landscaping	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,500.00
10/17/2024	4457	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	379.75
10/17/2024	4458	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,265.37
10/17/2024	4459	Pa Rural Water	2000 · Accounts Payable	556.00
10/17/2024	4460	Lift Inc	2000 · Accounts Payable	710.63
10/17/2024	4461	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	7,521.39
10/17/2024	4462	Suburban Propane	2000 · Accounts Payable	107.77
10/17/2024	4463	Summit Valley Outd...	2000 · Accounts Payable	3,267.51
10/17/2024	4464	Threns	2000 · Accounts Payable	811.26
10/17/2024	4465	Twiford Electrical Se...	2000 · Accounts Payable	11,862.29
10/17/2024	4466	V & M Towing	2000 · Accounts Payable	263.75
10/17/2024	4467	Wex Co	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,020.22

GENERAL				
10/17/2024	218	Southern States Bank...	408 · PROFESSION...	2,283.28
10/17/2024	8845	Berks Co Conservati...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	500.00
10/17/2024	8846	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,087.00
10/17/2024	8847	Crime Alert	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	500.00
10/17/2024	8848	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	434.45
10/17/2024	8849	George Ely	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,176.00
10/17/2024	8850	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,536.50
10/17/2024	8851	Highmark Blue Shield	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	5,653.44
10/17/2024	8852	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	3,965.58
10/17/2024	8853	Manderbach Ford Inc	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	757.76
10/17/2024	8854	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	793.73
10/17/2024	8855	Micro Air Computers...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	172.00
10/17/2024	8856	Miller Municipal Su...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	543.50
10/17/2024	8857	New Enterprise Ston...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	29,149.65
10/17/2024	8858	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
10/17/2024	8859	Office Basics	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	116.52
10/17/2024	8860	PSAB	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	11,881.25
10/17/2024	8861	Ronnie Folk	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	11,955.00
10/17/2024	8862	Summit Valley Outd...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	10,153.48
10/17/2024	8863	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	20.00
10/17/2024	8864	Union Fire Co. No. 1...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	11,394.14
10/17/2024	8865	United Concordia Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	327.96
10/17/2024	8866	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	17,256.00
				153312.98

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Madeira to approve the September financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moyer to approve the September 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. minutes from the NBRP**

Guests –

1. Elaine Strause of the Historical Society and Lockhouse Foundation
 - a. Announcing that October 25, there will be a bonfire at the Fall Fling and ghost stories at the Lockhouse
 - b. Openhouse, November 23, 10 to 4 pm and November 24, 12 to 3 pm at the Lockhouse
 - c. Harvest Moon, November 2, from 5 to 8 pm, with food and fun

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

- 1. Town Updates**
- 2. We have persons opening cars and taking items on cameras early in the morning recently**
- 3. We have a recent report of an injured animal and a request from a resident to provide a service to accept injured animals ..a big thank you to Ann Wagner**
- 4. A presidential candidate will be coming to Reading**
- 5. We will have story time on October 27 at our library**
- 6. a big thank you to our men for the work they have done to the storm sewer on Schackamaxon St**
- 7. a thank you to Marga and Sandy for their work in our office**
- 8. we had a special board meeting on October 14, of the safety council**
- 9. we will be voting on November 5**
- 10. November 9, is our fire company banquet**
- 11. thank you to all who have helped us this past month**

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time
2. we met last evening
3. we sent a draft agreement to Bern Twp
4. we need two authority members

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Police – Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we recently had a short meeting and a longer executive session on personnel
3. we had a very good crowd for our NNO

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Engineer – Jason Coyle reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant..we will try to set up a meeting with the school
3. We are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights
4. We are having an ongoing problem with Frontier's residential disturbances...we have been in touch with several Frontier contacts
- 5.. We will begin excavating the storm sewer line for the Lockhouse's water issues...
6. We are in the test mode for the CL17s...
7. We have sent to DEP our first submission for the lead ruling

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance..we should have it ready to have a motion to advertise next month....only sites have changed to conditional uses to be heard by the Zoning Hearing Board
2. A draft ordinance amendment to our zoning ordinance has been advertised regarding poultry inclusion....the ordinance will also include a registration and making aware of good education information available for the keeping of poultry.....the floor was opened to the the public...Councilman Goetz objected to the passing of the ordinance..two residents, Avery Venegas and Harrison Rahn commented that they are in favor of the ordinance, the floor was closed....a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Madeira to pass Ordinance #491 allowing five (5) hens, and no roosters, all voted yes, except Goetz voted no..motion passes 6-1
3. Our solicitor will be preparing an agreement/policy with our fire company and our recreation board concerning the use of designated tax monies and the procedures for presenting their requests....we have tabled the discussion until next month
4. We have advertised three (3) draft ordinances amending our current Ordinances #350..355 and 411, relating to recycling of yard waste.. The motions to pass the new ordinances are respectively as follows:
 - a. Ordinance #492 ...1. Fronina 2. Moqun, all yes
 - b. Ordinance #493....1. Madeira 2. Walborn, all yes
 - c. Ordinance #494....1. Walborn 2. Moyer, all yes

Recycling – Goetz reported the following

1. Monthly Report
2. We have submitted our application for a grant for starting up our recycling yard
3. Our recycling agreement extension has been approved by Cougles. We need to send them a change order... our engineer is handling..

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following

1. Our security system will be completed shortly
2. we are working with TMobile with regards to hot spots
3. we have planned to replace the ball field concession stand in 2025..we are obtaining prices for cinder block compared to a pole building, our guys will do the work
4. we are planning also to have the stage sealed

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well

Recreation – Moyer reported the following:

1. Our solicitor is preparing a policy to be used by our Recreation Board for the requesting and use of the 1 mil recreation tax
2. Our pool is closed for the season
3. We had a good season
4. Our payroll stayed in budget
5. We need to have additional fasteners installed in the concrete for the off season pool cover
6. our baby pool needs a pump
7. Kay Pools will be draining our pumps
8. Harvest Moon will be November 2
9. our guys will prepare the fire pit for the bon fire
10. Youth soccer will be hosting a Kauffman barbeque in the field on November 17
11. the Weyandt tournament donated \$10,000 to the cost of a stage roof
12. we have sold 52 bricks to date of the 500 needed for our stage
13. we will have a “Kids Christmas Party” on December 7
14. we will be hosing a “Lite Up Leesport” shortly
15. Halloween will be celebrated on October 31, 6 to 9pm
16. we will have our list of things to do shortly

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Well Head Protection Ordinance is being prepared
3. Our RAFA system has been installed at Wells # 3, 4 and 5 we are in the trial stage with the operation and the use of the CL 17s..our chairman has proposed that our licensed water operators do the testing with the CL17s instead of our guys. After a successful trial period, we can obtain our license with the state. A small diameter tube will enable good testing. This will save the expenses of overtime for our men going forth....there is no additional fees for Elite to check the CL17s. By next month we will have them up and operating properly
4. Our engineer has prepared specs for the SV water line

5. Our well #5 is pulling down too much lately, the springs in the area must be impacted..RAWA has declared drought conditions for Lake Ontelaunee
6. We have recently had generator issues at well #5

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. **Monthly Report**
2. **Folk has completed our pot hole patching**
3. **We are replacing some storm water drainage pipe on Shackamaxon St**
4. **The catch basin at 267 Main Street has been repaired/replaced, we will have the contractor come back to patch and seal around the catch basin**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **2025 draft budgetmotion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to advertise now to pass in November, all yes.**
2. **Discussion on tax rate for 2025..... we will advertise in November, no increase for next year**
3. **Report to county by mid December, our tax values for 2025 after ordinance is passed for inclusion on the March 1, tax bills**

New Business

1. **Ontelaunee Twp has signed the Intergovernmental Agreement with the borough**

EMC

1. **we are having new property damage training**
2. **we discussed our Code Red, it is still good and working for us**

Guests

1. **Wendy Griffith of Main Street informed council of the actions of her neighbor**

An executive session was called at 7:39 P.M. on personnel...they returned at 7:49 P.M.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to adjourn at 7:54 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

November 20, 2024

The meeting of the Council of the Borough of Leesport was called to order by Vice President Carl Moyer 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 Madeira, Fronina, Strause (zoom), Moquin, Goetz, Walborn, Moyer and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flag

FINANCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 31, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	1,044.70
MM	68,447.03
CD	34,769.56

WATER

CHECKING	881.22
MM	68,992.03
CD I	51,435.10
CD II	45,268.90

STATE

CHECKING	93.26
MM	34,873.77

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

1,409.00
1,005.03

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	15,076.70
Recreation-Rec Board	108,711.21
Payroll fund	859.63
Pension	388,533.61 (9/30/2024)

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to approve the October 2024, minutes, all yes.

STATE

11/21/2024	1642	Frontier	2000 · Accounts Payable	35.74
11/21/2024	1643	Met Ed	2000 · Accounts Payable	945.48
11/21/2024	1644	Telco Inc.	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,263.74
				2244.96

WATER

11/21/2024	4468	Diversified Tech Corp	2000 · Accounts Payable	941.24
11/21/2024	4469	Elite Opps	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,000.00
11/21/2024	4470	Fisher Rental	2000 · Accounts Payable	2,996.40
11/21/2024	4471	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000 · Accounts Payable	5,653.44
11/21/2024	4472	John Ruth	2000 · Accounts Payable	108.80
11/21/2024	4473	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000 · Accounts Payable	529.75
11/21/2024	4474	MET-ED	2000 · Accounts Payable	500.22
11/21/2024	4475	Schlegel Tax Service	2000 · Accounts Payable	375.00
11/21/2024	4476	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000 · Accounts Payable	6,294.00
11/21/2024	4477	Suburban Propane	2000 · Accounts Payable	300.00
11/21/2024	4478	Summit Valley Outd...	2000 · Accounts Payable	30,554.62
11/21/2024	4479	Twiford Electrical Se...	2000 · Accounts Payable	1,679.61
11/21/2024	4480	United Concordia-De...	2000 · Accounts Payable	327.96

GENERAL

52261.04

11/25/2024	220	Southern States Bank...	408 · PROFESSION...	834.12
11/21/2024	8867	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,069.00
11/21/2024	8868	Comm of PA	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	35.00
11/21/2024	8869	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	628.72
11/21/2024	8870	Exeter Supply CO	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	7,400.68
11/21/2024	8871	Frontier	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	434.45
11/21/2024	8872	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,072.83
11/21/2024	8873	Hassler Diesel	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	4,026.97
11/21/2024	8874	Kris Wholaver	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	180.00
11/21/2024	8875	Kuzans Hardware	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	5,205.28
11/21/2024	8876	Longhorn Landscape	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,500.00
11/21/2024	8877	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,965.09
11/21/2024	8878	MET-ED	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	83.45
11/21/2024	8879	Miller's Lawnmower ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,734.97
11/21/2024	8880	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
11/21/2024	8881	Office Basics	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	41.28
11/21/2024	8882	Ronnie Folk	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	12,460.00
11/21/2024	8883	RTC	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	253.14
11/21/2024	8884	Threns	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	22.48
11/21/2024	8885	Twenty First Century	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	2,381.84
11/21/2024	8886	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	374.49
11/21/2024	8887	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	20.00
11/21/2024	8888	V & M Towing	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	341.25
11/21/2024	8889	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	17,794.39
11/21/2024	8890	Wex - Sunoco Fleet ...	200.20 · Accounts Pay...	1,001.40

102516.57

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to approve the November bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to approve the October financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moquin to approve the October 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. minutes from the NBRP
8. letter of extension from Epting developers to March 19, 2025

Guests –

1. Elaine Strause of the Historical Society and Lockhouse Foundation announcing an Openhouse, November 23, 10 to 4 pm and November 24, 12 to 3 pm at the Lockhouse
2. Wendy Griffith of Main Street, informing council of a neighbor with violations. our codes' officer will look into the violations

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Town Updates
2. CELG hosted a meeting discussion to assist EMS with funding in 2025...to adjust our tax rate, we will need a motion to advertise our tax rate ordinance to pass in December, so we can give the county for the tax bills
3. Our Harvest Moon event was a success
4. we attended a DCED grant workshop
5. we attended a recent fire company banquet, thank you to all of our volunteers
6. there was an open house on November 12, at the fire company
7. #2265 – Act #131 increasing council pays has been passed...we will need an ordinance to activate the increases for our council as new members begin their terms
8. we are in a drought warning
9. recent grant awards have been announced to some locals
10. our next newsletter is at the printers
11. we would like to thank our codes' officer, Brad Pflum, our solicitor, Chris Hartman, Esq., and our engineer, Jason Newhard for hosting our Christmas Dinner again this year
12. a special thank you to all for making our borough better
13. our Santa run and tree lighting will be December 7
14. our borough dinner will be December 13

Committee Reports

1. With regards to our Tax Rate Ordinance #495-2024 for 2025....
after much discussion from council, our solicitor and our mayor, it was decided we would not increase our tax rate this year for the EMS, but decrease the recreation tax by .5 mill and to add to general purposes and discuss a possible donation to the EMS in 2025....

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz to advertise our 2025 Tax Rate Ordinance #495 – 2024 as follows:

**THE TAX RATE FOR GENERAL BOROUGH PURPOSES, 7.22 MILLS,
THE TAX RATE FOR RECREATION PURPOSES, .5 MILL, AND
THE TAX RATE FOR FIRE COMPANY PURPOSES, 1 MILL, AND**

**THEREFORE..
THE 2025 TAX RATE FOR THE BOROUGH OF LEESPORT
SHALL BE....
THE SUM OF EIGHT AND SEVENTY TWO/ONE HUNDREDTHS
(8.72) MILLS.**

all voted , yes...the tax rate ordinance will be advertised.

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time
2. we have not heard back as of yet from Bern Twp

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file

Personnel – Moquin reported the following;

1. a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moquin to give our employees an increase of 3% a year for the next three years, all voted yes

Police – Goetz reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. our 2025 police budget has been approved
3. our Chief's contract has been approved
4. there are 2 new cars in our 2025 budget

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. all is good

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Updates for SV Water line grant..we have not heard back yet from the school
3. a motion was made by Maderia and seconded by Moquin to do a pre-application to the "Green Light Go" grant program with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights, all yes.

4. We are having an ongoing problem with Frontier's residential disturbances...we have been in touch with several Frontier contacts
- 5.. We will develop a plan of action for the Lockhouse's water issues...the trench the guys found was slag filled for drainage, we will look into laying a trench on the north side of E. Wall Street,
6. with regards to the CL17s, there was a discussion with our Licensed Water Operator, Bryce Zohner, regarding the flow of water used to obtain a satisfactory chlorine reading and now with the decreased flow of water, as reported, used for the chlorine testing, will the same representative reading be obtained for our DEP reporting, Zohner responded yes..after a discussion, a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Madeira to have our engineer apply for a permit of operational change to DEP for our chlorine testing, all yes, except
Strause voted no, motion carries 6-1
7. We have sent to DEP our first submission for the lead ruling
8. We have contacted the state regarding our water valves that they had their contractor cover when #61 was resurfaced

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

1. We are working on our Well Head Protection Draft Ordinance....we should have it ready for next month....only sites have changed to conditional uses to be heard by the Zoning Hearing Board and to exclude 1000 gallon oil or propane tanks at residential sites..a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Moquin to advertise, all yes.

Recycling – Goetz reported the following

1. Monthly Report
2. We have been awarded a grant for starting up our recycling yard
3. Our recycling agreement extension has been approved by Cougles, a motion was made by Maderia and seconded by Goetz to sign the change order, all yes, motion carried..we will send them our signed change order

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following

1. Our security system has been completed
2. We are working with T Mobile with regards to hot spots
3. a motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Walborn to not move forward with the purchase of the Washington Street property at this time, all voted yes, we will contact the owner
4. our men will be installing a fence at the side of the garden in front of our borough office for safety reasons

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well
2. the gazebo at the Memorial Park by the river that was presented to the borough by the Sesquicentennial Committee is in an unsafe condition, it will be removed and replaced in the future

Recreation – Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have a resignation from our Recreational Board Treasurer, Jessica Martin...we will need to replace the position beginning with January..a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Walborn to accept her resignation and thank her for her service, all yes
3. Our tree lighting will be December 7
4. We will have “Light Up Leesport” decoration event to be posted soon
- 5 all has been winterized
- 6 our pool cover is on
- 7 we will have the baby pool pump replaced
- 8 we have some concrete work that needs to be done before spring

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have asked our engineer to contact the state regarding all our valves that were covered over with their recent resurfacing of #61...we assisted with a large leak on the property of Seakeepers’ this week and had to dig up more valves to shut their water off
3. Well Head Protection Ordinance, we have a motion to advertise and pass next month
4. Our RAFA system has been installed at Wells # 3, 4 and 5.. we are in the trial stage with the operation and still working with the company with regards to a few operational issues
5. We have a resolution to consider for new water rates for 2025
6. Our well #5 is pulling down too much lately, the springs in the area must be impacted

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. Folk has completed our pot hole patching
3. We have finished the storm water drainage pipe on Shackamaxon St from Butcher Alley to the driveway of Growmark and will begin the block from #61 to Butcher Alley shortly
4. We have asked Ronne Folk for a quote to address the Scott Drive water runoff to resident back yards on N. Centre Avenue

Unfinished Business

1. the 2025 draft budget has been advertised ..a motion to pass was made by Fronina and seconded by Goetz, all yes, motion carried
- 2: Ordinance #495 Tax Rate for 2025, will be advertised
3. we will report to the county by mid December, our tax values for 2025

New Business

1. We have a call from the ARL again to consider their services in 2025
2. We have Resolution #268 to pass from LTL with their new rates (no increase) for 2025..a motion was made by Moquin and seconded Fronina, all yes, motion carried.
3. We have Resolution #267 to pass for a rate increase for water rates for 2025..this increase will affect large users by \$1 more per thousand gallons..a motion was made Walborn and seconded by Moquin, all yes, motion carried.
4. We have Resolution #269 to pass to record our "2001" Drought Contingency Plan..a motion was made by Maderia and seconded by Walborn, all yes, motion carried.
5. We will have our Christmas Party get together on Friday, December 13
6. We have been given a new agreement for the NNN for 2025....same cost \$40 per voucher issued...a motion was made by Moquin and seconded by Walborn, all yes, motion carried
7. We have advertised our 2025 meeting dates

Good and Welfare

1. We have an extension letter from the Epting development to March 19, 2025, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moquin to accept the extension, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moquin to adjourn at 8:08 P.M., all yes, meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Attested _____

BOROUGH OF LEESPORT

December 18, 2024

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 Madeira, Fronina, Strause, Moquin (zoom), Goetz, Walborn, Moyer and Mayor David J. Reimer, Sr. Also present were MST Sandra L. Pascavage, Administrative Assistant Marga H. Row, Engineer Jason Newhard, Code Enforcement Officer Brad Pflum and Solicitor Chris Hartman, Esq.

Moment of Silence
Pledge to the Flag

FINANCIAL REPORT NOVEMBER 30, 2024

GENERAL

CHECKING	861.37
MM	68,414.41
CD	34,908.18

WATER

CHECKING	287.81
MM	50,493.59
CD I	51,656.12
CD II	45,449.08

STATE

CHECKING	148.31
MM	32,597.59

CODE ENFORCEMENT DISTRICT JUSTICE

588.50
479.01

SPECIAL FUNDS

Sesquicentennial Fund	15,140.06
Recreation-Rec Board	108,430.99
Payroll fund	846.89
Pension	393,357.62 (10/31/2024)

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to accept tonight's agenda as advertised, all voted for the motion.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to approve the November 2024, minutes, all yes.

STATE

12/19/2024	1645	Frontier	2000	Accounts Payable	36.19
12/19/2024	1646	Met Ed	2000	Accounts Payable	5,172.64

5208.83

WATER

12/19/2024	4481	Aetna Coventry	2000	Accounts Payable	3,030.01
12/19/2024	4482	Elite Opps	2000	Accounts Payable	2,100.00
12/19/2024	4483	Exeter Supply Inc.l	2000	Accounts Payable	2,832.59
12/19/2024	4484	Fisher Rental	2000	Accounts Payable	4,463.40
12/19/2024	4485	Highmark Blue Shiel...	2000	Accounts Payable	5,653.44
12/19/2024	4486	Kris Wholaver	2000	Accounts Payable	180.00
12/19/2024	4487	Kuzans	2000	Accounts Payable	4,177.54
12/19/2024	4488	L/B Water	2000	Accounts Payable	312.28
12/19/2024	4489	Longhorn Landscaping	2000	Accounts Payable	2,500.00
12/19/2024	4490	M.J. Reider Associat...	2000	Accounts Payable	464.80
12/19/2024	4491	Master Meter Systems	2000	Accounts Payable	386.43
12/19/2024	4492	MET-ED	2000	Accounts Payable	3,878.05
12/19/2024	4493	Schlegel Tax Service	2000	Accounts Payable	375.00
12/19/2024	4494	Spotts, Stevens and ...	2000	Accounts Payable	3,339.77
12/19/2024	4495	Stony Creek Rentals	2000	Accounts Payable	1,152.00
12/19/2024	4496	Twiford Electrical Se...	2000	Accounts Payable	2,305.83
12/19/2024	4497	United Concordia-De...	2000	Accounts Payable	327.96
12/19/2024	4498	USAbLe Life Ins.	2000	Accounts Payable	117.00
12/19/2024	4499	Well Care	2000	Accounts Payable	527.31
12/19/2024	4500	Wex Co	2000	Accounts Payable	600.64

38724.05

GENERAL

12/19/2024	8891	Berks Soil & Stone	200.20	Accounts Pay...	835.00
12/19/2024	8892	Centerport Flower Sh...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	200.00
12/19/2024	8893	Cougles Recycling Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	563.18
12/19/2024	8894	Elan Financial Services	200.20	Accounts Pay...	146.00
12/19/2024	8895	Frontier	200.20	Accounts Pay...	439.34
12/19/2024	8896	Hartman, Valeriano, ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,405.50
12/19/2024	8897	LTL Consultants, LT...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,381.76
12/19/2024	8898	MET-ED	200.20	Accounts Pay...	169.03
12/19/2024	8899	NNN Reading	200.20	Accounts Pay...	40.00
12/19/2024	8900	Northern Berks EMS	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,000.00
12/19/2024	8901	Northern Berks Regi...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	38,655.74
12/19/2024	8902	Office Basics	200.20	Accounts Pay...	27.72
12/19/2024	8903	RTC	200.20	Accounts Pay...	1,560.00
12/19/2024	8904	Reading Tractor and ...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	599.98
12/19/2024	8905	Ronnie Folk	200.20	Accounts Pay...	6,850.00
12/19/2024	8906	Sam's Club	200.20	Accounts Pay... 771509022586...	245.00
12/19/2024	8907	Southern States Bank...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	344.67
12/19/2024	8908	Storks Auto Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	445.20
12/19/2024	8909	SV Community Libra...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	5,000.00
12/19/2024	8910	T Mobile	200.20	Accounts Pay...	92.40
12/19/2024	8911	Thren's Auto	200.20	Accounts Pay...	374.40
12/19/2024	8912	Twenty First Century	200.20	Accounts Pay...	368.84
12/19/2024	8913	Twiford Electrical Se...	200.20	Accounts Pay...	2,149.18
12/19/2024	8914	UGI Utilities, Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	40.00
12/19/2024	8915	Waste Industries Inc.	200.20	Accounts Pay...	17,794.39

85727.33

A motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Madeira to approve the December bills, all yes.

A motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to approve the November financial report, all yes.

A motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Walborn to approve the November 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. minutes from the NBRP

Guests –

1. Duane Knoll, resident of S. Centre Avenue, called to council's attention several items in the settlement ordinance to be reviewed
2. Elaine Strause of the Historical Society and Lockhouse Foundation announcing a Red Ware program completed recently with the 5th grade students at the Schuylkill Valley Middle School to coincide with their Colonial Williamsburg program
3. Wendy Griffith of Main Street, informing council of a neighbor with violations, a motion was made by Fronina and seconded by Moyer to have our Code's Officer and Solicitor proceed to prohibit the Main Street resident violator from accessing his rear yard by way of his sidewalk and curb, all voted yes, motion carried 7-0

Mayor - Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. Town Updates
2. Our tree lighting and Santa visit and borough dinner went very well
3. Bern township held a special meeting regarding their fire coverage, it was decided to give Greenfield's Fire Company until March 30, to improve their service
4. we will plan to have an advisory committee for decision making for next year
5. we attended a PSAB zoom meeting today regarding the Open Records' Act
6. they will host a Liquid Fuels meeting next
7. a special thank you to all who have helped the borough this past year

Committee Reports

Sewer - Madeira reported the following:

1. all is running good at this time
2. we have a letter of interest from a resident to join the Sewer Authority, a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Moyer to appoint Patrick O'Neill, 425 Reeser Street to the Sewer Authority until 2029, all voted yes

Code Enforcement – Brad Pflum reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we will look into the items in our Real Estate Sale Inspection Ordinance to refine it

Police – Strause reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. all is good for next year

Fire Company - Kenny Quell reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we are preparing for our 125th Anniversary
3. we will have a QR site for events for next year
4. we would like to form an advisory committee going forth with the Leesport Borough and Ontelaunee Township
5. thank you to the borough for all their help in 2024
6. we should have our new airpicks by the end of January 2025

Engineer – Jason Newhard reported the following:

1. our monthly report is on file
2. we are waiting to hear from the school regarding a new proposed water connection
3. we are inquiring with the state regarding preemptive controls for our Fire and EMS for the traffic lights..we may be eligible for a grant
4. we are still having ongoing problems with Frontier's residential disturbances
5. we are looking to an easement to correct the Lockhouse's water issues from a neighbor
6. we have sent to DEP our first submission for the lead ruling and letters to residents
7. Century Cabinetry is planning to come to our Planning Commission meeting in January to submit a land development plan to build a storage building

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

1. We have advertised our Well Head Protection Ordinance, the floor was opened to the public for comments, hearing none, the floor was closed....a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Fronina to sign and pass the ordinance...the draft ordinance was reviewed by our Planning Commission and the Berks County Planning Commission, motion carried, 6-0.. (Moquin, on zoom, was not connected at the voting)

Recycling – Goetz reported the following

1. Monthly Report
2. We have been awarded a grant for starting up our recycling yard

Building and Properties – Moyer reported the following:

1. our men will be installing a fence at the side of the garden in front of our borough office for safety reasons

Memorials – Goetz reported the following:

1. all is going well
2. the gazebo at the Memorial Park by the river that was presented to the borough by the Sesquicentennial Committee has been removed for safety reasons

Recreation – Moyer reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We need to replace our concession stand at the ball field,
we have several options
3. a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to remove the concession stand at the ball field for safety reasons, all voted yes, motion carried 6-0 (Moquin, on zoom, was not connected at the voting)
4. we will discuss in February the removal of the two old pavilions at the playground
5. we will close the brick campaign and use the currently purchased bricks at the stage and install a roof this spring
6. We will be discussing a year round recreational manager
7. We are planning to put lines on the basketball courts and seal them
8. All has been winterized
9. there has been a rumor that the borough was offered a new pole building for the ball field, that is not accurate
10. we need to consider the railroad right of way when planning a new ball field concession stand
11. thank you to everyone that contributed to the success of the tree lighting and Santa run events
12. the “Light Up Leesport” program was a great success
13. we are planning to purchase new equipment for the playgrounds for spring

Water and Municipal Authority – Walborn reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. We have asked our engineer to contact the state regarding all our valves that were covered over with their recent resurfacing of #61
3. After much discussion, a motion was made by Walborn and seconded by Fronina to rescind our previous motion to keep the RAFA system and also to return it for a refund because it is not operating as previously demonstrated, all yes, motion carried 7-0
4. After much discussion, a motion was made by Madeira and seconded by Fronina to rescind our previous motion to keep the CL17s’ system and also to return it for a refund because it is not operating as expected, all yes, except Walborn voted no, motion carried 6-1
5. a motion was made by Goetz and seconded by Moyer to rescind our motion to have our engineer apply to DEP for a permit for the use of the CL17s, all yes, motion carried 7-0
6. We will discuss the need of a new electric pole at Well #1 (reservoir) and the recommended rewiring by our electrician with Met Ed shortly
7. we will revisit the conversation of the Epting remediation of the arsenic soil to our well #3 site because of new information recently made available

Roads and Lights – Madeira reported the following:

1. Monthly Report
2. A special thank you to our employees for putting up our Christmas decorations
3. We have several projects we have not been able to get to because of the issues we are having with the water system
4. We will be getting a quote for work to be done on Scott Drive to keep the water from coming into the yards of the homes on N. Centre Ave
5. This spring, we will add to our list of roads' projects, Water and Shackamaxon Streets' corner, which we recently purchased from the previous land owner..

Unfinished Business

1. We have advertised our Tax Rate Ordinance #495 – 2024, for the year 2025, a motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Madeira to sign and pass Ordinance #495 – 2024, all yes, motion carries 7-0

EMC – Mayor Reimer reported the following:

1. we have lots of training sessions lined up for the new year

Good and Welfare

1. our men have taken the gazebo down at the Memorial Park for safety reasons.
2. The son, of one of our retired police officers with the Leesport Police Department and the Northern Berks Regional Police Department, has recently passed away, the borough has made a donation in his name.

A motion was made by Moyer and seconded by Fronina to adjourn at 7:41 P.M., all yes, motion carried 7-0, meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Attested _____