

NANTY GLO BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2023

Meeting opened at 5:59 PM by Council President Michaela Markovich at the Nanty Glo Borough municipal building

Pledge of Allegiance given, moment of silence observed

Council members present: Michaela Markovich, Bill Dunchuck, Mike Edwards, Chris Lytle, Lynne Stock. Mayor Bill Ray was also present

Others present: Attorney Michael Carbonara, Brianne Berkebile, Jason Gabor, Rich Wargo, Melissa Weekes

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to approve the January 3, 2023 meeting minutes. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Lytle to accept the January 11 and 25, 2023 workshop notes. All ayes motion carried

No public was present

Attorney Carbonara gave the Solicitor's report:

The Comcast Cable Franchise Agreement needs to be signed. The board approved it at the last meeting

Mayor Ray gave his report:

There is a card issue with the Sheetz gas cards. It will be looked into.

There were 68 incidents and \$252.12 in fines and fees was collected

The speeding coal trucks and other traffic have slowed down on Cardiff Road.

Wargo gave the Manager's report:

One property maintenance letter was sent out and there are two continued hearings.

The utility building and renovations will be included in the master plan that Stiffler, McGraw and Associates are helping the borough create

The treasurer's report was read

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Edwards to pass the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$536,397.24. All ayes motion carried

Bills were reviewed.

Mayor Ray noted that he didn't have matching paperwork for the Watchguard/Motorola invoice. He will reach out to them.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to pay all bills excluding Watchguard/Motorola. All ayes motion carried

Two bids for the reservoir project were received and opened:

Charles J Merlo Inc - \$75,750.00 Laurel Management = \$73,014.00

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to award the bid to Laurel Management contingent upon the solicitor's and engineer's review. All ayes motion carried

The 2023-24 Costars Salt contract was reviewed

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Lytle to approve the Costars Salt contract for 260 tons. All ayes motion carried

Dunchuck explained to the council about using Costars for gas cards. The cards would be accepted at multiple gas stations instead of just Sheetz or BP. There would be a discount of 1.95% on qualifying purchases as a credit at the end of the year, the \$40.00 setup fee and the \$2.00 a month per card charge would be waived.

MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Dunchuck to set up gas cards through the Costars program. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Edwards to ratify the emergency police computer purchase. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Lytle to approve the amended winter parking regulations ordinance. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Stock to adopt the amended One-way street ordinance. All ayes motion carried

Residents, schools and emergency services will be notified of the changes.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to authorize Stiffler, McGraw and Associates to apply for a flood mitigation grant, passing the grant resolution, authorizing Michaela Markovich and William Dunchuck to sign documents and to cap the costs at \$200,000.00. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Lytle to authorize Stiffler McGraw Engineers to assist in developing scope of work and cost estimate, in conjunction with the consulting from SAP&DC, to develop a master plan encompassing the following projects, relocation of the veterans' park, constructing a trail parking lot, streetscape project, constructing trail restrooms, grants for resurfacing borough roadways, grants for the current borough building structure. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Lytle to contract heating contractors for the borough's heating system and get quotes. All ayes motion carried

The First Net Program was discussed. Lytle said the program itself is great but he wasn't sure tablets or iPad would be the best option for in the cruisers because iPad don't work with windows environments. He recommended something like a Durabook instead. Lytle will work with the police and present more information at the next meeting.

Dunchuck gave the rest of council information about citizen notifications. Voice Broadcasting provides direct calling to residents both on landlines and cell phones. With cell phones calling or texting is available. A text would cost \$0.08 per character over the base number. They also have a base list of phone numbers in Nanty Glo.

MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Stock to approve using Voice Broadcasting contingent upon the solicitor's review of a contract. All ayes motion carried

Two letters from an employee will be addressed in executive session later

A complaint was received concerning excessive noise early in the morning from Robindale Energy trucks. They will be contacted

The Beautification Committee is requesting permission to have a DJ again for the 4th of July Holiday. This year they want to have it on July 2nd. Council had no issue with this

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to go into executive session for contract negotiations and personnel at 6:55 PM. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to exit executive session at 7:50 PM. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Lytle to adjourn.