

NANTY GLO BOROUGH COUNCIL
REORGANIZATION AND MEETING JANUARY 3, 2022

Reorganization opened by Borough Manager Rich Wargo in the absence of the Mayor at 5:30 PM at the Nanty Glo Borough municipal building

Wargo swore in council members Christopher Lytle, Diane Holby, and Lynne Stock

Council members present: Michael Edwards, Diane Holby, Christopher Lytle, Michaela Markovich, Lynne Stock, Steve Szymusiak.

Others present: Amanda Datsko, Richard Wargo, Melissa Weekes

Pledge of Allegiance given, moment of silence observed

Nominations for council president were opened.

MOTION: Holby, 2nd Stock for Michaela Markovich to continue as council president. No other nominations. All ayes motion carried

Nominations for council vice president were opened

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Edwards for Diane Holby as council vice president. No other nominations. All ayes motion carried

Nominations for president pro tem were opened.

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Holby for Steve Szymusiak to be president pro tem. No other nominations. All ayes motion carried

The appointed positions list was reviewed

MOTION: Szymusiak, 2nd Holby with the exception of Christopher Lytle under zoning board and the water authority to accept all other appointed positions as listed. All ayes motion carried

Two letters of interest were received for the water authority position; Harry Gearhart and Bernard Shedlock.

MOTION: Szymusiak, 2nd Edwards to reappoint Harry Gearhart to the Nanty Glo Water Authority board. 4 yes, 2 abstain – Holby & Stock. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Markovich, 2nd Stock to appoint William Dunchak to the zoning variance board. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Szymusiak, 2nd Edwards to give Melissa Weekes a \$0.50 hour raise effective January 1, 2022. All ayes motion carried

Markovich took over the meeting

MOTION: Holby, 2nd Edwards to approve the December 6, 2021 meeting minutes. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Szymusiak, 2nd Markovich to approve the December 20, 2021 special meeting minutes. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Holby, 2nd Markovich to accept the December 8, 2021 workshop notes. All ayes motion carried

No public present

The solicitor was not present

No Mayor's report

Wargo gave the Manager's report:

A special meeting will need to be set up for the collective bargaining agreement and memorandum of agreement with the new full-time officer

MOTION: Holby, 2nd Szymusiak to advertise for a special meeting on January 24th at 4:00 PM. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Holby to approve the treasurer's report for January 2022. All ayes motion carried

The invoice for Phil Vaught was questioned. He is the CPR instructor for the required police class. Holby questioned the bill for the Tree Expert costing \$2,600.00. The Tree Expert removed and trimmed trees on the borough's right of way near Bloom Avenue. Wargo noted that it was cheaper to remove and trim the trees than it would be if the trees had fallen on someone's house. Lytle asked if we got a discount for using Sheetz and BP for gas. We do get a discount

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Stock to pay bills totaling \$27,842.92. All ayes motion carried

The council asked if there had been any adjustments from the insurance company yet. Wargo will contact them again

MOTION: Holby, 2nd Edwards to update the bank signature resolutions. All ayes motion carried

The Downtown Events Committee will be putting up wooden snowmen around town later this month when weather permits. In April they will help with another fishing derby

Wargo had checked with Wessel & Company and the borough could use the American Rescue Funds to repair the reservoir. He will also check with Attorney Carbonara on how the land donation on McCoy Street is going.

Council is still reviewing wish list items for grants from SAPDC.

Employee hiring will be done after the union contract is signed on January 24th.

Council will meet with the American Legion again to discuss plans for moving the Veteran's Memorial Park. Holby suggested they meet with Clymer Borough to see theirs.

Joining the Chamber of Commerce was discussed. Lytle noted that there are tiers of membership and recommended that the borough consider the \$500.00 tier for marketing strategy and a press release.

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Holby to join the Cambria County Chamber of Commerce at the \$500.00 tier. All ayes motion carried

Lytle is willing to co-administer the borough's Facebook page

The borough will need to report how the American Rescue Funds are being used to stay in compliance in April

Lytle would like to discuss work at home businesses in the borough at a workshop

Wargo informed council the Stiffler, McGraw & Associates is working on the Levee Inspection Grant for the borough

Someone on the road crew will need to get certified for an herbicide/pesticide license

Council discussed surveillance cameras with Officer Karl Kinkopf. Lytle is most familiar and will work with him. Council would like the cameras outside the buildings

There is concern about the crosswalk across Route 271 for the Ghost Town Trail

Edwards suggested cleaning up the police garage and possibly donating any of the bikes that have been there longer than 90 days

Holby asked about getting a grant writer. Once the borough joins the Chamber of Commerce council will check with them.

Bank statements were available for review

Meeting adjourned.