

NANTY GLO BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING JULY 3, 2023

Meeting opened at 6:00 PM by Council President Michaela Markovich at the Nanty Glo Borough municipal office

Pledge of Allegiance given, moment of silence observed

Council present: Michaela Markovich, Bill Dunchuck, Lynne Stock, Mike Edwards entered at 6:15 pm and quorum was recognized

Others present: Breanne Berkebile, Joel Romagna, Rose Lonesky, Harry Lonesky, Jeff Fochler, Betsy McDermott, Natalee Harnaty, JoAnn Hoskins, Richard Wargo, Melissa Weekes

Public comment:

Natalie Harnaty asked if her issue with buses parking on private property had been resolved yet. She commented that she had spoken to Bryant Greene who told her it was a zoning ordinance violation. Markovich responded no, the attorney is researching the issue and will update council.

Another complaint was about people who are not maintaining their properties. The response is that the borough is trying to handle the issue. Those who do not comply with the violation letters are sent citations and go to the magistrate who sets the fines.

Jeff Fochler representing 1st Student bus company asked Ms. Harnaty what the problem was with parking the bus on private property. She responded that the bus parks two feet off her property and she doesn't like the bus beside her property. Dunchuck noted that the borough had contacted the school district requesting information on approved bus parking for both bus companies. Ms. Harnaty presented council with a petition against buses parking on private property. She commented that the bus that parks beside her property is not on cement or gravel. The borough's concern is for emergency vehicles getting past the buses in an emergency. Markovich said that the council is hoping to have the situation resolved before the new school year. Mr. Fochler stated that it would be resolved on 1st Student's end before then.

Harry and Rose Lonesky asked council if anything could be done to stop group homes from opening in town. Markovich commented that the borough could not discriminate against them. Dunchuck noted that the solicitor had told council that there is no state law currently regulating them and there is not much the council can do. If there are problems with the residents the police can be notified.

One final complaint was about someone feeding geese near their property. There is an ordinance against that and the person can be fined. The USDA is doing a good job keeping the geese harassed.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to approve the June 5, 2023 meeting minutes with the correction that the police computers were purchased through Dell Computers directly and not Berry Solutions. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to accept the June 14 and 28, 2023 workshop notes. All ayes motion carried

No Solicitor Report

Engineer's report:

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to execute a change order in the amount of -\$22,314.00 (deduct) under Contract 23-1 regarding the Davis Run Reservoir Outlet Project. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to remit payment for Pay Estimate #1 in the amount of \$50,700 to Laurel Management Co. under Contract 23-1 related to the Davis Run Reservoir Outlet Project. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to submit the final Reimbursement Requisition #1 in the amount of \$87,800 to DCED related to Contract C000083535 regarding the Davis Run Reservoir Outlet Project. All ayes motion carried

Romagna confirmed that the Local Share Grant can be used for spillway work on the reservoir. DCED is okay with the project.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to approve and authorize proper Borough officials to take all action necessary to authorize Laurel Management Co. to proceed with proposed grouting and spillway improvements work related to Contract C000083143 regarding the Davis Run Reservoir Improvements Project. All ayes motion carried

Markovich asked about the sluice gate. Romagna recommended keeping it for now. He will contact DCED and ask them for options since it was part of the first grant funding and was not used.

Mayor's report was read

The 2019 Ford needs repairs with the fuel tank and a headlight for about \$2,000.00. It will be going to Luther Ford for the repairs. There were 74 calls and \$1,218.44 in fines were collected.

Wargo gave the Manager's report:

Ten property maintenance letters were sent out in June.

The mandated levee videoing is done. The cost was \$5,400.00. DEP will reimburse the borough through a grant for the cost.

The 2004 Ford truck needs repairs with an issue in the steering column. The total repair cost is \$3,700.00. The road crew can do \$1,700.00 of the repairs and the rest would need to be done professionally at Luther Ford.

The new worker is doing well.

Barklay electrical was contacted about fixing the traffic light.

A new truck for the road crew was tabled

The markings on Loraine Road are done.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to approve the treasurer's report in the amount of \$780,268.21. All ayes motion carried

Bills were reviewed and the invoices for SWIF, Ebensburg Insurance and E-Map were explained.

MOTION: Edwards, 2nd Stock to pay bills totaling \$23,253.10. All ayes motion carried

Bids for the 2023 paving project were opened:

Contractor	Bid
HRI. Inc	\$220,373.00
New Enterprise Stone & Lime	211,975.60
Grannas Brothers Stone & Asphalt	\$189,466.50
Quaker Sales Corporation	\$243,305.00

The streets to be paved were listed

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to award the paving bid to Grannas Brothers Stone & Asphalt from Hollidaysburg PA for \$189,466.50. All ayes motion carried

The breakdown for paying for the paving project is \$100,000.00 from Liquid Fuels, #16,000.00 from County Aid and \$73,446.50 from ARPA funds.

Purchasing an AED for the municipal authority's use was discussed. Dunchuck presented quotes from the American Red Cross for different units. A new Zoll AED plus is \$1,599.00 and includes a wall cabinet. Council would rather have a new unit than a refurbished one.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to purchase a Zoll AED plus for \$1,599.00 and child pads through the American Red Cross. All ayes motion carried

Bev Sherwood would be able to give lessons on using the unit at a cost less than the Red Cross would charge.

A refund for the unit that was unavailable through American AED will be requested.

The municipal authority will be contacted concerning using empty space at the ballfield for a community garden

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to appoint Erick Collins to the Nanty Glo Sanitary Sewer Authority board. All ayes motion carried

There is no new information on the office printer

Information for recodification of the borough's ordinances is still being obtained

Purchasing a new truck was discussed. The borough could possibly get a grant for it. Purchasing a 2023 instead of a 2024 model was also discussed

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Markovich to table purchasing a new truck until the next meeting

Alternatives to a metal sign to replace the stolen welcome to Nanty Glo sign will be researched

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to authorize a debit card for the borough's general account. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Stock, 2nd Edwards to move the Liquid Fuels fund from First Commonwealth Bank to AmeriServ Bank. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to change the ACH instructions to AmeriServ for state deposits. All ayes motion carried.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to authorize repairs estimated at \$1,631.80 on the 2004 Ford truck at Luther Ford. All ayes motion carried

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Edwards to authorize the road crew to purchase parts for \$1,542.40 to perform repairs on the 2004 Ford truck. All ayes motion carried

Correspondence was read

A donation request was rejected.

MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to adjourn. All ayes motion carried