

NANTY GLO BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING MARCH 4, 2024

- 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 members present: Michaela Markovich, William Dunchuck, David Dipaolo, Diane Holby, Chris Lytle, Lynne Stock. Mayor Bill Ray was also present
- Others present: Jullie Pittman, Richard Wargo, Melissa Weekes
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Holby to approve the February 5, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Dipaolo to accept the February 28, 2024 workshop notes. All ayes motion carried.
- Mayor Ray gave his report: he requested an executive session to talk about police hiring. There were 72 incidents and \$212.63 in fees and fines were collected. He has sent two more emails to Motorola about the \$1,000.00 charge but the responses are still not clear that the borough owes this amount. Dipaolo will review the charges with him.
- State Farm insurance company sent the borough the payment to replace the UMWA stone that had been hit during an accident last year. WYSE Memorials has been paid.
- Stock asked if there was any more vandalism or information on the previous vandalism. Mayor Ray responded that there is no new information on the old vandalism but the good news is that there is no new vandalism so far.
- Wargo gave the Manager's report: a draft street paving list was compiled by the street supervisor. Mike Bowser from PennDOT will be coming on April 9th at 8:30 AM to look at the streets. Dunchuck is interested in going along. The estimated Liquid Fuels grant for this year is \$90,914.00.
- The levee inspection by DEP will be on May 9th. The road crew is doing some of the cosmetic repairs now. They are also planning on doing street sweeping in early April as well.
- The treasurer's report was read
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Holby to accept the treasurer's report. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Dipaolo to pay bills as presented. All ayes motion carried
- The general code update is still in progress
- The employee vacation requests will be discussed in executive session.
- As mentioned at the February 2024 meeting Nanty Glo Borough was awarded a \$100,000 flood mitigation grant through DCED, with a 15% match being required by the borough, the total project budget will be \$115,000.00. The following has been identified by the borough engineer as priorities for the project to be bid:
 - Culvert Spall repairs
 - Erosion Controls
 - Pipe Lining
 - Pipe cleaning and jetting.
 - Excavation
- By authorizing the engineer to go out for bid the Council is approving Phase 1 of the project.

- MOTION: Holby 2nd Dipaolo to authorize Stiffler, McGraw engineering to advertise for construction bids for the borough levee project. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Holby to authorize Stiffler McGraw engineering to submit a flood mitigation grant application to the DCED for Phase 2 of the borough levee project. All ayes motion carried
- A letter from the United Methodist Church was read, requesting that the borough approve a subdivision of a property that they are selling so that their parking lot is separate from the property being sold. Council agreed that the drawings are not clear enough and a survey is needed.
- MOTION: Dipaolo, 2nd Stock to table the request until proper documents are received. All ayes motion carried.
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Holby to approve the 2024 annual donation to the Nanty Glo Public Library in the amount of \$5,000. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to approve the 2024 annual donation to the Nanty Glo Beautification committee in the amount of \$2,000. All ayes motion carried
- Council discussed the updating of the borough's burning ordinance. Mayor Ray commented that he didn't like the portion requiring 20 feet between buildings part, he would rather it say no burning between buildings at all. He will also check with the Fire Chief to see if he has any requests or suggestions.
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Holby to table authorizing the solicitor to prepare an updated burning ordinance. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Dipaolo to send a letter to the water and sewer authorities asking about any upcoming projects they have planned in 2024 or 2025 that could affect the borough's paving project. All ayes motion carried.
- Dunchuck noted that the borough had received a \$75,000.00 grant through DCED towards the purchase of a new truck. Dipaolo will check with more COSTARs vendors on the purchase of the new truck.
- Various formats of agendas from other local municipalities were reviewed.
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to update the agenda to the style of Bedford's agenda. All ayes motion carried
- State Representative Frank Burns will be hosting a grant seminar on March 22, 2024 at the Nanty Glo Fire Hall at 1:00 PM
- Mayor Ray asked if anyone had seen geese congregating anywhere in particular. A few locations were given
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Stock to enter executive session for personnel reasons at 6:29 PM. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Dipaolo to exit executive session at 7:35 PM. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Lytle to hire Tyler Collins as a part time police officer at the current pay rate. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Lytle, 2nd Holby to advertise for a full-time police officer. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dunchuck, 2nd Dipaolo to approve the vacation day payment request for Michael P. Oyaski contingent on him signing the Memorandum of Agreement between the Nanty Glo Borough and Fraternal Order of Police Hemlock Lodge 101 and the Nanty Glo Police Department and Michael P. Oyaski and to approve the vacation day carry over request for Jason Gabor and Brandon Lloyd contingent on both of them signing the Memorandum of Agreement between the Nanty Glo Borough and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO, Council 83 and Jason Gabor and Brandon Lloyd. All ayes motion carried
- MOTION: Dipaolo, 2nd Lytle to adjourn.