Laceyville Borough Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

342 Church St Laceyville, PA 18623

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President Kristy Fassett.

Present: Kristy Fassett, Randy Brigham, Tari Trowbridge, Mary Robinson, Warren Howeler, Jaime Lopez, Jaye Butler, Shelly Shotwell, Dawn Bluhm

Secretary Minutes from the October meeting were reviewed and approved, 1st Mary Robinson, 2nd Tari Trowbridge, with no changes recommended.

Treasurer’s report from the October meeting was reviewed and approved, 1st Tari Trowbridge, 2nd Mary Robinson, with recommendation from Tari that Bernadette contact Quickbooks and learn how to collapse unused columns.

Guest Comments:

Dawn Bluhm read a letter to council regarding miscommunication during the town Halloween celebration.

Shelly Shotwell offered recommendations for next year’s Halloween celebration; one size glowsticks, microphone, and a pop-up tent. (Wayfair?) Also, recommendation for a Christmas Parade.

**Community Events**

Halloween

* 1. Halloween follow-up: More communication and planning meetings are needed for future events.
  2. Council will research the purchase of a sound system/microphone and a pop-up tent for next year.
  3. Special thanks to B&K for donating light polls and Randy Brigham & Rick Sherman for picking them up and returning them. Also all trunk or treat participants, the businesses on Main Street, Goodwill Fire Co. for the use of their facilities, Borough Council, and all the volunteers.

**Mayor’s Report**

* 1. The mayor reports concerns of flooding at both parks as the river levels have been high.
  2. Recommendation to remove the old shed from the borough park. Motion made by Mary Robinson, 2nd by Tari Trowbridge.
  3. Next improvements for the park will need to be done in the Spring to include pouring concrete for a basketball court/hoop and finishing the playground.
  4. The mayor asked Kristy if she could provide an update about closing the Police Dept. account. Kristy left message.

**Water**

* 1. Jaye’s updates: flushed hydrants and will continue to flush due to complaints of water quality issues from some borough residents.
  2. Water testing: all good results
  3. DEP Report – all good ratings
  4. Motion made by Mary Robinson 2nd by Tari Trowbridge to retain services of Tom Seckula as back-up water operator at $105 per month.
  5. CBNA Laceyville requested help with a more accessible maintenance supply/shut off valve. The current shutoff is under the sidewalk. Jaye is researching and will update council at next month’s meeting.
  6. Backflow company sent letters for 3rd and final notice. Council believes these were sent in error. Kristy left a message with the company to discuss.

**Streets**

* 1. Snow plowing bids accepted from ZMX LLC and Brown’s Hauling. Motion made by Tari Trowbridge to accept the bid from Brown’s, 2nd by Mary Robinson.
  2. PennDOT meeting: measured Main St. Inspected Bee Street. Paving Route 6 may have created the pooling problem. PennDOT will further investigate and contact Kristy for follow-up.
  3. Bridge by Lacey Street is deteriorating, and the project may need to be moved up if necessary.
  4. Jaye commented that storm drains are clogged and need to be cleared out before winter to avoid flooding.
  5. Motion made by Mary Robinson and 2nd by Tari Trowbridge to hire Ashley McClain to replace light pole receptacles.

**Parks**

* 1. NA

**Correspondence**

1. Liquid Fuel Allocations – funds used for plowing
2. Letter to confirm services of Joseph Lehman Engineers – Motion made by Tari Trowbridge and 2nd by Mary Robinson.
3. Council needed to sign and approve Joint Tax Collection form – motion made by Tari Trowbridge 2nd by Mary Robinson.

**Old Business**

1. NA

**New Business**

* 1. Vote needed to purchase a small tablet for council to use to air monthly meetings on Facebook Live – Motion made by Tari Trowbridge 2nd by Mary Robinson.
  2. Budget meeting – November 9th 2021 @ 6 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:49 p.m. Made by Tari Trowbridge, 2nd by Mary Robinson

Next meeting Tuesday December 7, 2021, at the Borough office, 342 Church Street Laceyville, PA 18623

Minutes recorded by Secretary Heather Fave