

APPROVED **(WITH CORRECTIONS)** VIVIAN AMSPACHER MOTIONED TO APPROVE, JAMIE MOORE 2ND MOTION, ALL APPROVED.

NORTH YORK BOROUGH MEETING MINUTES

October 22, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Richard Shank called to order the regular meeting of the North York Borough Council at 7:05 pm on October 13th, 2020.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

III. PLEDGE

Richard Shank, President

IV. ROLL CALL

President Richard Shank, Deb Smith, Vivian Amspacher, Jamie Moore, and Mayor Nancy Brunk, Gary Braham, Seth Hightman

Vice President Bill Jackson ABSENT

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 8th, 2020 Meeting Minutes, Gary Braham motioned, Deb Smith 2nd motion, all approved.

YARSA Meeting Minutes, Jamie Moore motioned, Vivian Amspacher 2nd motion, all approved.

VI. HANDICAP APPROVALS – COUNCIL

Ness and Dravk tabled until November meeting to gather more information.

VII. TREASURERS REPORT – SONYA GRIM

Recreation \$2,321.85

Sewer \$1,867.11

Payroll \$9,395.70

General Fund \$30,293.37

Vivian Amspacher inquired about what the Standard Concrete amount was for. Treasurer Sonya Grim stated for stones and topsoil for the park.

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE: - BRITTANY REED

Klugh Animal Control contract needs renewed for the 2021 Year.

United Methodist Church request a road closure for their Trick or Trunk event October 25, 2020. Would like to close off W Tenth at first alleyway going west on W Tenth. Close the intersection at W Ninth and N Beaver and close intersection at Olympia and Chapel. Vivian Amspacher made motion to approve closure request, Deb Smith 2nd motion, all approved.

\$250,000.00 DCNR grant has been awarded, more information to come.

IX. MAYORS REPORT: NANCY BRUNK

Dedication for the new substation for Officer David Tome October 21st, 2020

Police Activity – 2 incidents: Theft on the 1st block of #rd Ave, and Attempted Homicide on the 1100 block of N George St.

X. ENGINEERS REPORT: JEFF SPANGLER

MS4 Stormwater Permit – MS4 year end report was submitted to DEP on September 30th, 2020. A pdf. Copy was given to the borough.

Pump Station – Hydra-Numatics Sales Company inspected the pump station on October 1, 2020. Overall, the station was in good condition. They will be sending a report with their recommendations. They will also provide the borough with a proposal to do future maintenance inspections to possibly establish a maintenance program for the pump station.

Community Development Block Grant 2021-2023 Applicants:

Applications for the 2021-2023 cycle of block grants are due to the York County Planning Commission by January 15th, 2021. Council should consider what projects they would like to apply for so cost estimates can be developed and the application completed.

XI. ZONING OFFICER REPORT: VACANT

2nd Ave – issue has been rectified; cars have been removed and going will be placed going across property. The borough agreed to cut the weeds for the York City School District to keep the area visible.

Pump Street Parking Lot – lot is being kept within the agreement terms.

Wilt Parking Lots- Borough will draft letters reminding Bradley Wilt of the agreement made – 30 days to comply

Vivian Amspacher would like to find out more information on the zoning of the Pump Station Parking Lot. Borough to contact Zoning Attorney to review.

XII. FIRE CHIEF REPORT:

Chief DJ Abbott applied for the grant through the Fire Commissioner was awarded \$11,000.00 – there will be guidelines established in a contract on how funds get used.

501c is being held up due to the investigation and not having the proper paperwork available.

Fundraisers – Gun Raffle February 3rd, 2021. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be available for purchase by the end of October 2020. The Fire Department will also be trying to get another fundraiser together to replace the Toy Bingo – more information to come.

XIII. EMA: TRAVIS NESS

Nothing to Report

XIV. SOLICITORS REPORT: Walt Tilley, Stock and Leader

Draft of the ordinance for the trash receptacles. – will review in new business.

XV. RECREATION REPORT: DEB SMITH

October 30 – Trick-or-Treat 6:00pm to 8:00pm

The Halloween Parade and Bonfire has been cancelled.

XVI. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: JAMIE MOORE

Vacancy for the Zoning Officer. Interview 10/14/2020.

Resignation of Vice President Bill Jackson. Jamie Moore motioned to accept resignation, Vivian Amspacher 2nd motion, all approved.

Council Board Member Vacancy will be posted on the Facebook page and website for the Borough.

XVII. PUBLIC WORKS: BILL JACKSON

Nothing to report.

Vivian Amspacher request the weeds/grass at the curbs be cut. Richard Shank stated they been trying to get to the as they have time.

XVIII. FINANCE: JAMIE MOORE

Preliminary budget reviewed

XIX. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: GARY BRAHAM

Nothing to report.

XX. SANITATION

Vivian Amspacher reviewed with residents the amended trash receptacle ordinance in the North York Borough Code book. Basic change is the resident is required to have a screening/covering over bins when the trash cans/recycle bins are stored in the front of the property.

This update will be added to the Borough Newsletter and posted for notification to residents.

Jamie Moore motioned to approve the New Ordinance to take effect as of April 1st, 2021, Vivian Amspacher 2nd motion, all approved.

XXI. SEWER

None

XXII. NEW BUSINESS

Electing new Vice President Jamie Moore.

Roll Call Vote 5 Yes / 0 No (Vivian Amspacher Yes, Richard Shank Yes, Deb Smith Yes, Seth Hightman Yes, Gary Braham Yes)

Sound System for Council meetings – Jamie Moore to look into.

XXIII. PUBLIC COMMENT/QUESTIONS/REMARKS SUBMITTED PRIOR TO MEETING

Ashley Stine voiced her opinion on the removal of the handicap spot recently reserved for Christopher Wilhelm, it was explained by Richard Shank that the Borough was asked the previous night by a resident to remove a few other signs that need removed throughout the borough. Since the public works department was already removing signs, they removed the sign.

Discussion amongst the public attendees and council about the investigation of the fire department and recent findings from the investigation about Steve Miller. Ashley Stine inquired as to why if there was a request in 2016 to have an audit done was it not done then. Current Council cannot justify why or why it was not done at that

time definitively but as Jamie Moore stated as soon as new questions arose last year in February, they requested an audit.

***Vivian Amspacher made mention of the letter created by Attorney Mark Evans on 02/16, about the meeting with Bryon Good, Richard Shank, and Vivian Amspacher on 02/15, referencing allegations of fraud at the Fire Department* - correction**

Marty Hoover inquired if the Fire Department was going to be closing which he heard someone talking about. As of now the fire department is not closing, they are their own entity.

Discussion on fire departments current operations and how volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated.

Vivian Amspacher inquired why Steve Miller was not taken off the payroll sooner, until final findings were given, Richard Shank did not feel he should be removed off payroll.

Vivian Amspacher asked that the Council be notified when there are ANY Rail Trail Meetings.

Discussion on Poppylane Ventures and having them attend the next council meeting.

Sandra Hinkle inquired what documents were missing that everyone was saying was missing. Chief DJ Abbott stated it was the old Meeting Minutes

Jamie Moore motioned to adjourn meeting, Vivian Amspacher 2nd motion, all approved.

Minutes submitted by Brittany Reed