

**SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 2, 2022**

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Monday, May 2, 2022, in the municipal building located at 42 West 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Musser presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Maria Brandt, David Sauers, Shawn Bingaman, Mark Benner, and Donald Musser were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Karen Roberts and Domenico Barillaro were absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Manager Edward Hovenstine, Mayor Joseph McGranaghan, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, and June Stark were present.

The meeting was opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance.”

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brandt to approve the Council minutes of April 4, 2022, and the Workshop minutes of April 21, 2022, as presented, seconded by Councilman Benner, and approved by all.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Solicitor Slivinski stated that a pretrial conference with Stephanie Lewis will be held on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 9:15 AM and a trial date will possibly be set.

OTHER BUSINESS:

2022 Summer Newsletter – Secretary Leitzel presented the 2022 Summer Newsletter to Council. Councilwoman Brandt questioned whether a community picnic would be held in the year of 2022. Council decided to forego the community picnic and welcome any suggestions for future community gatherings moving forward.

Manager Hovenstine reported that the Annual Clean Up was completed on Monday, May 2, 2022, with approximately 23 ton hauled away.

MAYORS REPORT:

The Mayor reported to Council regarding the property maintenance update: Kyle Mirolli property-Central Keystone COG contacted Mr. Mirolli regarding the exterior appearance of the property, Queen Avenue-Burkey property will be fixed up in order to sell the property, Joe Nevo, property located at 2835 N Susquehanna Trail-a notice of violation was sent-property in the back of building was cleaned up and Manager Hovenstine suggested paving the required parking area and return the excess of the parking lot to grass, 3517 N Old Trail-Jeannie Weaver, property that had a fire, requested an extension until the end of May, 3507 N Old Trail-Russ Fellman, property that was damaged by the fire at 3517 N Old Trail-the Mayor will contact Central Keystone COG to send a notice.

Mayor McGranaghan reviewed the April police report.

The Mayor discussed with Council regarding the police department overtime and part time hours being over budget due to the accident at the Golden Chopsticks. The police chief is requesting an additional amount of funds for regular overtime and part time budget. (\$5,000.00 regular OT/\$5,000.00 part time). Councilman Bingaman made a motion to authorize additional \$3,000.00 regular OT and \$3,000.00 part time funds with a ninety-day review and an update on the overtime reimbursement (AG/grants), seconded by Vice President Sauers, and approved by all.

EMS Week – Mayor McGranaghan proclaimed the week of May 15, 2022, to May 21, 2022, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Shamokin Dam Borough. Proclamation attached.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Planning Updates – Manager Hovenstine reviewed planning updates in the Borough: INSA massive expansion, Eagles Wind design in process for tear down and rebuild, Nissan dealership property is in the planning stages, Royal Farms traffic study still in the process.

Rezoning Request – Russell Broschius requested a zoning change from C-1, Commercial, Highway to R-2, Residential, High Density for two parcels that are a vacant lot adjacent to 99 Baldwin Blvd. Solicitor Slivinski explained that the process for a zoning change would be reviewed by Shamokin Borough Planning Commission and the Snyder County Planning Commission for comment, Public Hearing, and then adopt an ordinance. A motion was made by Vice President Sauers to authorize the Solicitor to proceed with the zoning change from C-1, Commercial, Highway to R-2, Residential, High Density for two parcels that are a vacant lot, seconded by Councilman Benner, and approved by all.

2022 Street Schedule – Manager Hovenstine suggested bidding the 2022 Street Project in July or August.

SOLICITOR REPORT:

Resolution 2022-4 – American Rescue Plan Act – A resolution electing to allocate \$178,565.68 American Rescue Plan Act Funds to revenue loss using the standard allowance. A motion was made by Vice President Sauers to adopt Resolution, 2022-4, A resolution electing to allocate \$178,565.68 American Rescue Plan Act Funds to revenue loss using the standard allowance, seconded by Councilman Benner roll call vote called: David Sauers-Yes, Donald Musser-Yes, Mark Benner-Yes, Maria Brandt-Yes, Shawn Bingaman-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No

SEDA-COG Agreement – SEDA-COG proposed a professional and administrative services agreement required by the grant for satisfying the federal procurement requirements of the ARPA program with the Borough of Shamokin Dam. The total cost of these services shall not exceed \$16,070.00. Payment shall be made based on a percentage of the services completed. The ARPA funding in the amount of \$89,282.84 was deposited on August 20, 2021, and the amount of \$89,282.84 will be deposited in year 2022, the total amount is \$178,565.68. A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman to approve the professional & administrative services agreement

between the Shamokin Dam Borough and SEDA-COG, seconded by Councilwoman Brandt, and approved by all.

Authorization, Ordinance Amendment – (Central Keystone COG) – A motion was made by President Musser to authorize Solicitor Slivinski to proceed with the amendment to the Central Keystone COG (CMC) to include the Fire Safety Program/Inspection of Non-residential Structures, seconded by Councilwoman Brandt, and roll call vote called: Shawn Bingaman-Yes, David Sauers-Yes, Donald Musser-Yes, Mark Benner-Yes, Maria Brandt-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No

Solicitor Slivinski presented the Monroe Township petition to have the referendum question printed upon the official ballot for the 2022 general election, there are 90 signatures required from Monroe township registered voters.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A Planning Commission meeting will not be held on Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$5,831.12, Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$6,650.12, and Fire Protection Tax Fund bills in the amount of \$1,800.00 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Vice President Sauers to approve payment of the bills as presented, seconded by Councilman Benner, and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel
Borough Secretary