# SUGAR NOTCH BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 1, 2023

# CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

The Sugar Notch Borough Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 892 Main St., Sugar Notch, PA. by President of Council Joe Rutkoski, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT ABSENT ALSO PRESENT
Jim Mullin David Balakier Secretary, Gloria Kijek
Randy Gyle Treasurer, Charles Cybuch
Dominick Panetta Attorney Logsdon
Erin Frank Mayor Davis

Margaret Viti Joe Rutkoski

# **CITIZEN'S REPORT**

Mario Fiorucci – reported on the following information he has gathered regarding the Keyco property: where the boundary lines are, an agreement between Hanover Township and Sugar Notch relating to taxes collected on this property and why Sugar Notch is not receiving a portion of tax money for this property. Attorney Logsdon said the researchers are still looking into any information that may have been filed at the courthouse and he has reached out to the attorney who was the solicitor for Hanover Township at the time.

Pam Rodreguez, 158 Broadhead – addressed Council on an RV she has parked on her property and if she can keep it there for storage. Attorney Logsdon said Sugar Notch has an ordinance prohibiting RV's parked on properties for long periods of time and we have gotten code complaints on this RV. The ordinance does say that the council can give special permission to allow an RV to be parked on a property. Code Officer Henry Mleczynski commented he is not sure using this for storage is permitted and she may have to put a 6 ft. fence around it with shrubs. Ms. Rodreguez said she will just have it removed because she doesn't want to go thru all this. Council said she has until January 1, 2024 to have it removed.

# **CORRESPONDENCES**

No correspondence currently.

# SECRETARY REPORT

Motion 1 – approve October 4, 2023 minutes. (With one correction on spelling of a name)

Motion Randy Gyle.

Second Jim Mullin.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion 2 – approve October 18, 2023 minutes.

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Motion Randy Gyle. Second Jim Mullin. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### TREASURER REPORT

**Motion 3 - approve the September 2023 treasurer report.** Motion Randy Gyle.

Second Jim Mullin.

All in favor. Motion carried.

#### POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Doucette reported on the monthly police activities including there is only 1 garbage violation left, they are getting people to slow down on Main St., will issue tickets for vehicles not moved for street cleaning, had an officer on for Trunk or Treat and for Halloween, he is working below budget, and he would like to get a license reader and body cameras for the officers.

# **CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Henry reported on the permits and code violations he worked on for the month of October as well as the upcoming hearing for the Main St. property that built a garage and pave cut without the proper permits. Also discussed with Council a Quality of Life Ordinance.

# **SOLICITOR REPORT**

Attorney Logsdon reported on the following: 1) Discussed with Council a Qualoity-of-Life Ordinance. He will advertise the Quality-of-Life Ordinance to have the public hearing and vote on at next meeting. 2) found a commercial appraiser to appraise the church on Main St. he will get prices, 3) will put together bid specs for Brook St. project to advertise, then bids will be open on Dec. 6 at 6p.m., 4) MS4 exemption he will get with AJ from La Bella to look into and 5) talked to Council about an amusement tax for the games of skills machines that are showing up all over.

# COUNCIL REPORT

Dominick Panetta reported gas tank can be removed for \$700 and the resident cleaning up their property needs another dumpster.

Randy Gyle reported the DPW will put up Christmas lights, hopefully all are working. Dominick suggested putting a few up in a couple different sections of town to see what's working.

Erin Frank asked Jim if he heard anything about a crossing guard. Jim said not yet.

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Margaret Viti had nothing to report at this time,

Jim Mullin reported that the WVSA is joining the COG.

Joe Rutkoski had nothing to report at this time.

Charles Cybuch reported that the officer Tanya wants to take a drug training class, Council said if the police have it in their budget, then do it.

# ADJOURNMENT at 8:40 p.m.

Motion Joe Rutkoski. Second Erin Frank. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gloria Kijek