

President Harvey Marshall called the April 4th Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag. Council members present were V.P. Mark Spotts, Mike Martin, Matt Miller, Dean Johnson, and Jamie Burrus. Tracy Rice was absent. Also attending the meeting were SHPD Chief Leon Grim, Mayor Randy Gartner, Solicitor Andrew George and Manager Lisa Heilman. Citizens and visitors attending the meeting were David Randler, Dave Rohrbach, Vernon Bright, David Bright, Carol Werkheiser, Cindy Murdough, Lori Brown, Geneva Berger, J.C. Hoffa, Liz Miller, Tony Brochu and Randy Yarnall. A motion was made by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2022 Workshop Meeting. Mr. Martin seconded. Mr. Spotts made the motion to strike the sentence "Several Council members felt uneasy about a husband and wife sitting on the ZHB together even though Solicitor Orlando assured the Borough it was legal to do so" be stricken as he stated no one expressed concerns. Mr. Johnson seconded. Council approved unanimously. Council approved meeting minutes unanimously with the noted change.

VISITORS & CITIZENS: David Bright advised Council the POSofA will be holding a Patriots' Day event on April 23 from 11AM-5PM and invited all to attend. Mr. Spotts advised Council there will be blanks shot from muskets and asked if there were any objections. There were none. Mr. Yarnall advised Council that the POSofA is planning to build a new vessel in which to burn the flags. They will need an area leveled off on which to place the new vessel. Mr. Marshall offered the borough's services to help with the leveling.

J.C. Hoffa, on behalf of the Street Fair Committee, asked if the electric meter could be retained for the Street Fair Committee. The RCA has said they are going to have the meter disconnected since they have been paying for it but no longer using it. Mr. Marshall will contact PPL to have the meter retained and put in the Borough's name. Street Fair is June 23/24th.

MAYOR – No report.

SOLICITOR - Solicitor George presented the following:

FIRST AMENDMENT TO WESTERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION DISSOLUTION/SEPARATION AGREEMENT THIS FIRST AMENDMENT WESTERN BERKS REGIONAL POLICE COMMISSION DISSOLUTION/SEPARATION AGREEMENT (hereinafter the "First Amendment") dated and effective the 4th day of April, 2022 (the "Effective Date"), by and between the BOROUGH OF ROBESONIA, a Pennsylvania borough, having its principal office at 75 South Brooke Street, Robesonia, Berks County, Pennsylvania 19551 ("Robesonia"), and the BOROUGH OF WERNERSVILLE, a Pennsylvania borough, having its principal office at 100 N. Reber Street, Wernersville, Berks County, Pennsylvania 19565 ("Wernersville").

Mr. Martin made the motion to approve, Mr. Miller seconded and Council approved unanimously. Solicitor George provided Resolution 2022-4 to be signed in conjunction with the Agreement.

On a motion by Mr. Spotts, second by Mr. Johnson and unanimously approved by Council, motion carried.

ENGINEER – The Engineer's Report was included in the agenda packet.

A review letter from Technicon to the Planning Commission dated March 25, 2022 regarding the proposed Wawa was included in the agenda packet.

There was no MS4/NPDES Permit update available.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The next Planning Commission meeting will be held on April 20th, at 7PM, if needed.

Mr. Spotts made the motion to grant a six-month extension for the Furnace Village II project (expiring 10/3). Mr. Martin seconded and Council approved unanimously.

MANAGER – Presented the following:

Request from the CW Middle School 5th grade class for the use (+fee waiver) of the tot lot pavilion area for the year-end class party for May 23-26th. Mr. Martin made the motion to approve, Mr. Miller seconded and Council approved unanimously. Advised Council that the County Commissioners will be hosting a Municipal Officials Breakfast aboard the Colebrookdale Railroad on April 29th. RSVPs MUST be in no later than 4/11 since there is limited seating.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES- Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Martin and unanimously carried

the bills were ordered paid as presented, including those paid prior to the meeting to avoid penalties.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Finance/Administration –No report.

Personnel: Mr. Marshall introduced Liz Miller, the new part-time hire for the office. All welcomed her.

Fire Protection/Safety – No report.

Streets & Highways- Mr. Marshall advised Council that the bids for the 2022 Roadwork Project were opened just prior to the meeting and were as follows:

Mill & Overlay project:

Company:	Total Bid Amount:
H&K Group	\$163,190.44
New Enterprise Stone & Lime	\$161,267.08
Ronnie Folk Paving	\$188,705.55

On a motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Miller and unanimous approval by Council, the bid was awarded to New Enterprise Stone & Lime for \$161,267.08

Double Seal Coat Project:

Company:	Total Bid Amount:
Martin Paving	\$200,708.08

On a motion by Mr. Spotts, second by Mr. Johnson and unanimous approval by Council, the bid was awarded to Martin Paving for \$200,708.08.

David Bright reminded Mr. Marshall that the Water Authority is planning to replace approximately 450' of pipe in Maple Avenue. Mr. Marshall will relay the information to Martin Paving and ask that they do Maple Avenue last to allow the Water Authority time to get their project done first.

Parks & Recreation- Meeting minutes from the March 17th meeting were included in the agenda packet. P&R is working on getting pricing on basketball upgrades (new poles/backboards, etc) and also need pricing on getting the tennis court fence painted and new pickleball lines painted on the tennis courts.

Library- No report.

Police- Chief Grim noted the SHTPD will be conducting Car Safety Checks for childrens' car seats at the Cole's Funeral Home on April 22nd. Also, a fundraiser is scheduled for June 17th at the CW Pool to benefit one of the SHPD officer's child who was recently diagnosed with bone cancer.

Water/Sewer Municipal Authorities- N/R

Western Berks Joint Planning Commission: N/R.

Environmental Remediation Committee: Updates on the remediation project provided by Tracy Rice were included in the agenda packet. Mr. Marshall advised Council that we must bring site up to residential standards if we are planning to include a park/passive recreation area which will increase the size that must be remediated by 32%. There is no way to get that all done by end of June plus it adds

450 cy of additional topsoil needed for Phase I and 316 triaxle loads of topsoil for Phase II. The recommendation was to do only the awarded tree work. Mr. Spotts asked if we could simply do the remediation to non-residential standards and still get the relief from liability? What would cost the least amount of money? Mr. Marshall noted we will have the engineer check with DEP on those questions and make a determination at the April 18th workshop meeting. We will go ahead with the awarded tree work.

American Rescue Plan Committee: Mark Spotts advised Council the Committee is considering requests received from the Fire Company for a generator and the Library for automatic doors and a story walk area. They've asked both for quotes for their requested projects.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Marshall- Mr. Marshall noted that Randy Yarnall has asked about the possibility of removing three pine trees on the POSofA property that appear to be dead and a possible liability hazard. The trees are tangled up in the overhead wires so we should get someone in to take them down. He will get prices to have the work done.

Martin- No report.

Rice- Absent.

Johnson- No report.

Spotts- No report.

Burrus- Absent.

Miller- No report.

Mayor Gartner- No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – No report.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Womelsdorf-Robesonia Joint Water Authority Treasurer's report and Meeting Minutes
- RWMA Meeting Minutes, operational report & engineer's reports (February)
- SHTPD Police Report. Stats section & Calls of Interest were included in agenda packet.
- Building Permit List (March)
- Western Berks Ambulance Report (March)
- Municipal Officials Breakfast with the County Commissioners invitation.

On a motion by Mr. Martin, second by Mr. Johnson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Attest:

Lisa Heilman
Manager/Secretary/Treasurer