

**TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
November 27, 2023**

OPENING:

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Nathan Yoder, Christina Mensch, Pat Betz, Steve Snyder and Betty Figels

ABSENT:

Paul Franke, Adam Kocher and the Mayor

OTHERS:

Donna Lynn, Tax Collector, Mileta Joe, Secretary and Jeremy LeBarron, Maintenance Supervisor

VISITORS: Harold Bender and Rick Dandes, Daily Item

Harold Bender had several concerns beginning with the street light located by the railroad tracks not functioning. Maintenance Supervisor responded that he has been in constant contact with PPL regarding this street light issue that is PPL's responsibility with no action taken by PPL. Jeremy LeBarron will again contact PPL and try to get them to repair the non-functioning street light. Next Harold concern was for the many trees at overhang onto Main St. Jeremy LeBarron volunteered to contact PPL and see what can be done about the tree overgrowth.

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Received a letter from Paul Rapp regarding offering his services as a sewage enforcement office as a secondary role, same as last year. Council will vote on this at re-organization meeting 1/2/24.

Secretary advised Council that comcast will have a rate increase on services and we use Comcast for phone/fax/internet services.

FINANCIAL

Financial Reports will be voted for acceptance at December 4 meeting.

A new 13/month CD re-investing the \$20,000.00 from the recently cashed in CD will yield of 5.00%. Once the bank issues the certificate secretary will place in borough safe deposit box at bank.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Regarding the Warrior Run Fire Dept. request on Act 35 Council agreed to request a fire company representative attend the Jan. 30, 2024 meeting date to hold a Q & A.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

At this time neither Norman Lubin or Laurinda Voelcker is interested in the position of Borough Solicitor. Awaiting a response from Jason Brudecki of Matson Law Firm. One additional possibility would be Jonathan DeWald of Mc Nerney, Page, Vanderlin & Hall. This is the firm Lewis Twp. uses. Council asked secretary to also contact him and get a formal proposal.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Reports
MAINTENANCE:

Jeremy LeBarron could not locate any electric that would run outside the municipal building. The carnival committee offered to loan the borough several of the mats they use to secure electrical cords and eliminate people tripping. In the spring he will dig-up an underground electric source for Christmas decorations.

TRA will hang the street Christmas lights on 11/29. If they delay again Jeremy LeBarron will contact Zimmerman's Electric.

EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:

Following a long discussion on placing a grant application for equipment, either a dump truck or skid steer, Council felt things were to rushed and since the round of applications runs March/June/November they should take the time to get solid quotes and review all wording before placing an application with the March date.

STREETS/HIGHWAY:

Rep. Stender received our support letter for Bills SB191 & HB1128 and assured us he will vote YES and if we see other legislation that effects Turbotville, either positively or negatively to reach out to him.

CODE ENFORCEMENT/ORDINANCES:

Following Code Inspections response to the violations at 244 Main St. civil action should proceed. Council decided on \$250.00 on each of the two violations and court costs. Secretary will contact Attorney Benion on filing this civil action with the magistrate.

ORDINANCES:

Council will create a dumpster ordinance to address time limits on dumpsters in street, fines for not complying with acquiring a dumpster permit, fine amount for exceeding time limits or acquiring an extension on original permit time frame.

MEETINGS:

COG:	Community Hall	TCC	Fire Dept.	Carnival
Dec. 19	Dec. 19	April 2024	Dec. 14	Dec. 18

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Nathan Yoder's son will review the current computer system and advise on needed updates, changes to help the system function better.

MAYOR:

EMERGENCY MGT:

GRANTS:

ARPA: All funds must be obligated by 12/31/24 and all funds used by 12/31/26.

Multi-Modal Grant – We should hear on the multimodal grant by November 2023.

CARNIVAL:

Carnival Committee will be hosting its annual Christmas Party from 2-4 pm, December 3 at the Community Hall

PERSONNEL:

Discuss Overtime

Evaluation sheets for Council on employees.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm with a motion made by Nathan Yoder and seconded by Betty Figels.
Motion carried.

Next meeting Monday, December 4, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Municipal Building

Respectfully Submitted by,
Mileta Joe, Secretary