TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES February 26, 2024

COUNCIL PRESENT: Steve Snyder, Tom Barrett, Christina Mensch, Adam Kocher, Paul Franke, and Betty Figels

ABSENT: Pat Betz and Mayor, Ben Gilbert

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

VISITORS: Brian Stackhouse and Michael Sechler

Brian Stackhouse spoke on two issues.

- 1) numerous sump pumps on Main St., are discharging water unto the Main St. causing safety issues. <u>Borough response was Main St. is a state road and is under PennDOT to address. Borough has discussed with PennDOT several times on this issue, with no defined results.</u>
- 2) Mr. Stackhouse, a councilmember of Lewis Township was inquiring on Turbotville Borough stand on the possible Solar Farm proposed by Susquehanna Solar LLC. He did inform council

For the borough, they would first have to go through Northumberland County and acquire approve, then it would come to our planning commission for review.

Mr. Stackhouse did inform those attending that tax revenue would only be about \$40,000, shared by both Lewis Twp and Turbotville Borough.

Jeremy LeBarron also informed council that Susquehanna Solar LLC's heavy equipment would have to go through Washington St. and they will have a difficult time making the corner with any big equipment.

Michael Sechler had one question.

1) Does PennDOT have any date for paving of Main St.? This is PennDOT's decision.

Donna Lynn, Tax Collector informed council she will be picking up taxes on Friday, March 1st and prepare for sending out.

PRESENTATION:

Linda Sterling was not in attendance, no presentation on grant writing options.

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Minutes – were reviewed and will be voted on at March 5th meeting.

FINANCIAL:

A review of Financial Reports and Balances with a vote at next meeting.

Billing invoices will be voted on to pay at next meeting.

A vote to donate to both the Exchange Pool (\$600.00) and Montgomery House Library (\$1900.00) will take place at next meeting

CORRESPONDENCE:

Vote at the March 5 meeting to approve Northumberland County Board of Elections to use the social hall for elections on April 23, 2024.

SOLICITOR:

The office of Attorney Lyons has informed the borough of a judgment on a Main St. property will be paid in the amount of \$400.95 within the next several months.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Report

Financial Committee reported on King St. funding of road project:

Bid approx. \$44,000.00; includes \$5000.00 for Queen St., drain work; \$14,000.00 for Virgin Alley work.

Funds would come from the following: \$21,000.00 from highway fund

\$30,000.00 from savings

\$14,000.00 from CD interest rolled over

EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:

Invest in the purchase of a new skidsteer. Place \$50,000.00. of the 13/mo CD that matures in 4/2024 and re-invest the \$250,000.00 in CD.

Use the 13/mo. CD (\$310,332.84) which matures in April 2024

Begin rolling over the interest gained from CD investments into equipment fund; recreation fund; and special highway fund for borough.

Borough will also look into available equipment grants with Linda Sterling.

STREETS/HIGHWAY:

With the possible King St. project, it was suggested by Jeremy LeBarron that when the Tar & Chip work is scheduled to post on website for area residents to prepare to find alternate parking places for their vehicles, since there will be no parking allowed for several days.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Council decided to continue for the balance of 2024 with Code Inspections. In the fall council will seriously look into options for services.

It was brought up about the dead tree stump/branches still lying on property on Main St. A complaint has been filed.

Jeremy LeBarron informed Council that no permits will be issued to UGI until they complete repair work on damages done by them to the satisfaction of the Borough.

MEETING DATES:

COG: COMMUNITY HALL: TCC: FIRE DEPT.: CARNIVAL Mar. 19 Mar. 19 Apr. '24 Mar. 14 Mar. 18

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee will begin working on selecting a sign design and get quotes from several sources for later discussion.

Jeremy LeBarron will investigate options for placing underground electric for Christmas decorations in front of municipal building

No progress report on bathroom quote

Awaiting proposal on new computer

NEW BUSINESS: None

MAYOR: None

EMERGENCY MGT:

PERSONNEL:

Steve Snyder made a motion to hire Rob Ryder as a seasonal employee at \$13/hr. Adam Kocher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council instructed secretary to post help wanted, seasonal employees on the website, Post Office and bank.

ADJOURMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:40 p.m. by Betty Figels and seconded by Paul Franke. Motion carried.

Next meeting Monday, March 5, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Building.