

**TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
June 24, 2024**

OPENING: Meeting opened at 7:04pm with Pledge of Allegiance

COUNCIL PRESENT: Pat Betz, Christina Mensch, Steve Snyder and Paul Franke

ABSENT: Betty Figels, Adam Kocher, Tom Barrett, Paul Franke and Mayor

OTHERS: Mileta Joe, secretary

VISITORS: Victor Marquardt, Ashley Reasoner and David Brown

PRESENTATION:

Victor Marquardt of Code Inspections, Inc. spoke on his duties as code enforcement officer and noted during a recent town inspection held June 24 between the hours of 11 am and 1 pm four violations to address. Vic presented and suggested a door hanger violation notice be used on simple violations like grass/weeds, snow removal violations and junk accumulation that can be placed on the home owners front door and a photo be taken noting the date posted for ease of follow-up. Council liked this idea and Code Inspections will supply the violation hangers to the borough office. It was suggested by code that our property fine fees can be updated with the passing of a resolution. It was reported by Council that our solicitor was addressing this concern.

Pat Betz, Council member, questioned on visible junk vehicle(s), can council address and fine someone for this violation?

Vic Marquardt response was depending on borough ordinance vs IPMC (international property maintenance code). Whichever holds the most recent approved code would determine the outcome.

Pat Betz also shared his concern that neither cemetery was being mowed. Council understands that financially the cemetery is experiencing hard times and asked Mr. Betz to contact Sarah Moser of the cemetery board to see what can be done.

Ashley Reasoner complemented council for the informative public hearing with Susquehanna solar LLC on 6/24/24 at the community Hall. He had several concerns that he felt still need addressed regarding the solar farm as follows: 1) he feels the exterior fence should have signs posted electrical danger inside fenced area. 2) He also suggested that any future meeting also be posted at locations within the borough, like at Post Office, TNBank, as many residents do not subscribe to the Milton Standard-Journal, where borough legal ads are posted. 3) Mr. Reasoner also shared his concerns regarding Virgin Alley as an access for the solar farm, noting that sewer/gas and pipes are under this alleyway and running heavy trucks/equipment over this alley could destroy the lines/pipes.

Council did note that we also posted on our website and on FACEBOOK, and handed out meeting flyers to 25 area residents who homes border the proposed site.

Vic Marquardt also noted that with the Susquehanna Solar LLC submitting a "Conditional Use" request that the meeting would have to be advertised 2 times, one week apart and 7 days prior to the meeting and all residents bordering the proposed site must be notified and it would be a good idea to post the meeting date/information at local businesses i.e. (TNB, PO, restaurant, etc.).

Dave Brown, resident and fire company representative.

Council did inform Dave Brown that Susquehanna Solar LLC will train fireman on dealing with what may occur in this type of farm site at the expense of the company, not the firemen. This will occur near the end of the construction phase. Dave will take this information back to the fire company

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Minutes were reviewed and will vote to accept at next meeting.

FINANCIAL:

No questions/concerns on the Financial Reports and Balances to be voted on next meeting. Secretary did inform council that the transfer of funds from general fund into CD was completed and \$50,000.00 was transferred also.

June bills were reviewed and will be voted next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

SOLICITOR:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Progress Report

EQUIPMENT, BUILDINGS & RECREATION:

Andy Frontz of Marotta Main Architects submitted a quote to draw up plans for bathroom remodel with a two- phase quote on services with phase one cost \$2400.00 and phase two cost \$3500.00 for a total cost of \$5900.00. He also included a rate table for council reference. Council decided to get additional cost for inclusion of a shower and eye wash station.

Jeremy LeBarron reported that Keystone Communications did not show up for their appointed meeting with him.

New skid steer was delivered.

STREETS/HIGHWAY:

Steve Snyder reported that street committee is awaiting a price from Wells Paving & Seal coating for a crack seal project.

Noted no start dates have been set for King St. or Paradise St. projects.

Steve Snyder reported that work will begin on the ditch located behind the VFW. The borough would be responsible for approx. 10 feet of the ditch for unblocking water flow and the VFW and AgPro will have to work out an agreement between themselves.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

MEETING DATES:

COG:	COMMUNITY HALL:	TCC:	FIRE DEPT.:	CARNIVAL
July 16			July 11	

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Council requesting a door blind be purchased for the new exterior entrance door. Secretary will look into this.

Also, Council requested secretary send a “thank you” note to Lewis Twp. for the use and work done rolling out the carnival grounds.

MAYOR:

EMERGENCY MGT:

GRANTS:

PERSONNEL:

CARNIVAL:

ADJOURNMENT:

Pat Betz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm and was seconded by Steve Snyder. Motion carried.

Next meeting Monday, July 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Building.