

MINUTES OF THE NEW SALEM BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

October 8, 2024 at 80 N. Water Street, York New Salem, PA

The New Salem Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 8, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Martin.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Kim Martin, Pres
William Baldauf, VP
Peter Partridge, Pres Pro-tem
Sue Becker
Harvey Thumma Jr.(left at 8:35 then by phone)
George Donavos
Bryan Pugh

BOROUGH OFFICIALS PRESENT

Edward Mundorf, Mayor
Judy Albright, Sec/Treas.

BOROUGH OFFICIALS ABSENT

D. Michael Craley, Sol.
Samantha Craley, Asst. Sol.
Michael Hammers, BCO
David Lipinski, Eng
Jeff Koons, Z&CEO

Note the following abbreviations

“CP” = Council President “CM” = Council Member “ST” = Secretary Treasurer
“Eng”= Engineer “Sol” = Solicitor “BCO” = Building Code Officer
“Z&CEO” = Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer

1. OPEN MEETING

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Leaf Collection – quote received from Tip Top Services, LLC for collection 4 times from 11/18/24 to 12/9/24 on Mondays weather permitting. The quote is at \$110 per hour not to exceed \$8800.00. On a motion by CM Baldauf, seconded by CM Becker and unanimously carried, leaf collection will now be handled by Tip Top Services, LLC.

b. Finalize Newsletter – On a motion by CM Becker, seconded by CM Partridge and unanimously carried, the newsletter is approved for printing and mailing. CM Becker will put labels and stamps on them for mailing.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Review proposed 2025 budget – All council members were provided a detailed version of the proposed 2025 budget. After review several items were changed or discussed.

SEWER FUND - ST Albright is to contact North Codorus Township for a copy of the most recent audit of the sewer system. The sewer lines may need televised in 2025 and it will be budgeted for.

HIGHWAY FUND – Since this fund doesn't have enough to cover the anticipated curb and sidewalk repairs only \$45,080 is included in the 2025 budget. The remaining \$100,000 will be budgeted in the General Fund. CM Partridge indicated the street lights in Sherwood Forest II are not LED but due to cost they will not be changed in 2025.

GENERAL FUND – The earned income line only reflects a 2% increase. A letter was received from the Executive Director of YATB who indicated since the 2023 figures reflected a higher than usual amount and it could have been caused by some residents retiring with stock options or bonuses the revenue increased.. He indicated we should use a 2% increase over 2024 figures.

It was noted we have fifteen (15) years remaining on the repayment to West Manchester Township from the fine overage we received and it should have gone to them.

When the Borough went to a codification of the ordinances, they should have received seven (7) copies but at this time it is not known where these copies are.

There was much discussion on the donation to the York County library. Mayor Mundorf indicated he visited the library and observed many children's books on transgender. All council agreed they were not in favor of contributing to this library at this time. It was felt the donation could be put to better use if it were given to Hoffman Homes.

The cost of police for 2025 is listed as a budget item and there will be no tax increase this year as funds are available to cover the cost of the police service. Mayor Mundorf indicated since the one problem in the borough (N. Main St) is being handled he feels we don't need police. CP Martin took a verbal vote of all present if they still feel police are needed in the Borough. CM Baldauf, CM Partridge, CM Becker, CM Pugh, CM Donavos and CP Martin all agreed, CM Thumma did not agree. CP Martin then asked the two (2) residents in attendance and they both gave a thumbs up.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – Jan Noss, 56 W George St. spoke on behalf of the Lions Club who uses the Borough building for their meetings. He questioned why the newsletter wasn't out sooner and CP Martin informed him we needed a source for leaf collection. He further indicated there are lights not working outside the building making unsafe for his membership in leaving the building. He was advised this was taken care of. He felt someone should have advised him of tonight's meeting and the change in furniture in the room. CP Martin advised this was just an oversight in letting them know. He also wanted to know what happened to their bulletin boards with information. CP Martin indicated the boards were moldy and were placed in the trash and the items were placed in a box for them. Mayor Mundorf also advised him the building is first and foremost the municipal building and New Salem Borough has to take precedence. CP Martin advised a letter will be sent to the President of the Lions Club advising him.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned . at 9:35 P.M. Respectfully submitted by Judy Albright, Secretary-Treasurer.