

Johnsonburg Borough  
Regular Meeting  
August 12, 2019  
4:00 p.m.

Call to Order, Silent Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Attendance	Title	Present	Absent	Excused
Carnessali, Stephanie	Councilman	X		
Cherry, Scott	Councilman			X
Clopp, John	Police Chief	X		
DeAngelo, James	Councilman	X		
DePanfilis, James R.	Councilman	X		
Dickey, Robert	Fire Chief			X
Feronti, Elizabeth	Solicitor			X
Fowler, Jack	Mayor	X		
Haynes, Tori	Junior Councilperson		X	
Imbrogno, Louie	Councilman	X		
Imbrogno, Tom	Street Superintendent	X		
Kilhoffer, Rachel	Secretary	X		
King, Ronald	Councilman	X		
Maletto, Alfred J.	President	X		
Miller, Ryan (ARS Engineering)	Engineer/ Code Enforcement	X		
Johnsonburg Municipal Authority	Representative	X		

Minutes: A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to accept the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 8, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests: Jocelyn Bash, representative of the Northern Pennsylvania Regional College, gave a presentation to Council and the public about the services provided by the college.

A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to go into executive session at 4:09 p.m. for personnel. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to return to regular session at 4:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

President Maletto stated that, during executive session, personnel were discussed but no decisions were made.

Guests continued: Mike Pura, 219 Powers Ave., expressed concerns about the storm water drains in front of his house on Powers Ave. A discussion was held on the needed replacement of about 200 yards of cross drains in the area. Councilman DeAngelo expressed an interest in providing funding in the 2020 budget for this project.

Jessica Gent, 409 Second Ave., was present to complain to council about the condition of her neighbor's residence at 413 Second Ave. She cited several health and code violations occurring on the property. A discussion was held on this ongoing matter before it was turned over to the code enforcement officer.

Peggy Sprague, 235 W. Center St., was present to discuss follow up to the July meeting when the flooding on June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> in the W. Center St. area was discussed. President Maletto stated that a meeting has been set up with the Elk County Emergency Management Coordinator and we are waiting to get the inspection report back from Army Corp of Engineers to review their recommendations.

### Monthly Reports

Mayor: Mayor Fowler congratulated the Elk McKean All Star baseball team on becoming state champions and resident Michael Shuey on becoming USA Track & Field javelin champion.

Junior Council Person: None present.

Police: Monthly report is on file. Chief Clopp reviewed his report which included the following:

- The department recently received body armor vests purchased through an Act 13 grant.
- Officer Stefan Smith has submitted his resignation effective September 1, 2019.

Fire Chief: Monthly report is on file.

Superintendent: Monthly report is on file. Superintendent Imbrogno reported that the lights at the playground basketball courts have not been working since the recent construction. Engineer Miller will contact the contractor to see if there were any problems during the renovations.

Council Committees: President Maletto reported that following:

- There will be a meeting with local EMA personnel concerning the flooding.
- No changes will be made to parking on Clarion Rd.
- A meeting was held with the Pennsylvania Economy League to review the borough's participation in the Department of Community and Economic Development's Strategic Management Planning Program.
- The public works committee will meet with an individual at 410 Second Ave to discuss the installation of a driveway.

Finance & Bills for Payment: This month's bills include: General Fund - \$8,974.19, Community Center Fund - \$20,286.47, Borough Equipment Fund - \$769.47, Highway Aid Fund - \$4,574.20, and Community Improvement Fund - \$3,083.79. It was moved by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor: Solicitor Feronti was excused.

Engineer & Code Enforcement Report: Monthly report is on file. Under engineering, Engineer Miller updated Council on this year's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application which was submitted to replace the storm sewer infrastructure on Rose St. and Grove St.

A discussion was held on the progress of the pool room ceiling. At the request of Engineer Miller, a motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to apply for Act 13 funding from Elk County for the pool ceiling project. Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Authority: May minutes on file. Municipal Authority Manager Lisa Sorg updated Council on the authority's latest projects including the new water treatment plant and the new meter installations. She is working on the letters the borough requested pertaining on the residences that have had water shut off notices and asked for clarification on what we need to be stated in the letters.

Recreation Board: Nothing submitted.

Old Business: (1) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to pass Ordinance 2019-02 which changes the name of the upper portion of Church Ave. to Hemlock St. Motion carried unanimously. *Cushing*

(2) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to appoint Ray Matson to the vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business: (1) A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Carnessali to pass Ordinance 2019-03, the ticketing ordinance allowing the code enforcement officer and police officers to issue fines for borough ordinances violations. Motion carried unanimously.

(2) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to hire Gnan Tree Service to daylight a portion of Terra Cotta Rd. for \$1,000 per day with the work taking approximately four days. Motion carried unanimously.

(3) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to hire Hilltop Concrete to make repairs to the flood wall on W. Center St. that were recommended by the Army Corp of Engineers. Motion carried unanimously.

(4) A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DePanfilis to close Market St. for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Johnsonburg Community Center on October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

(5) A discussion was held on the Harrison Ave. road relocation. The borough crew will take measures to prepare the existing area and the emergency area manageable for winter.

(6) A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to move forward with developing a new civil service list. Motion carried unanimously.

(7) A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to accept the bid from Richardson Tree and Landscape for brush cutting along the borough's flood control area. The bid amount was \$3,000 per day with an estimate of 3-4 days of work. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, President Maletto recognized Secretary Rachel Kilhoffer for recently completing the Leadership Elk & Cameron Counties program.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.



Rachel Kilhoffer  
Secretary

