

Johnsonburg Borough  
Regular Meeting  
May 8, 2023  
4:00 p.m.

Call to Order  
Silent Prayer  
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call/Attendance	Title	Present	Absent	Excused
Cherry, Scott	Councilman			X
Clopp, John	Police Chief	X		
DeAngelo, James	Councilman	X		
DePanfilis, James R.	Councilman	X		
Imbrogno, Louie	Councilman	X		
Imbrogno, Tom	Street Superintendent			X
Johnsonburg Municipal Authority	Representative	X		
Kilhoffer, Rachel	Secretary	X		
Maletto, Alfred J.	President	X		
Miller, Ryan (ARS Engineering)	Engineer/ Code Enforcement	X		
Paget, Kyle	Mayor	X		
Poague, Eric	Councilman			X
Thomas, John R.	Solicitor	X		
Warmbrodt, Richard	Councilman	X		

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to approve the minutes from the April 10, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

**Guests & Public Comment:** Randy Mason, 143 Grove St., addressed Council on problems in his neighborhood involving semi-trucks causing property damage, speeding on W. Center St., and stray cats. Chief Clopp addressed the traffic concerns and stated that signage prohibiting large trucks has been attempted in other neighbors but has shown to be unsuccessful. He suggested meeting with Domtar to possibly create truck route signage coming into town. Secretary Kilhoffer stated that she will speak to the Ridgway Animal Haven to request their assistance with the stray cat problem as they had previously been in this area.

### Monthly Reports

**Mayor:** Mayor Paget had nothing to report.

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

- A K9 search was performed at the high school on April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- The 2017 patrol vehicle was repaired from a minor accident earlier this year.
- The townwide surveillance camera project is finished with the last camera being installed at the knothole fields this month.
- The annual police memorial service will be held on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Owen Schreiber has accepted our Cadet Sponsorship Agreement and is filling out the paperwork to begin the academy in July.
- A saturation patrol organized by the Attorney General's office was held on May 4<sup>th</sup>. Chief Clopp explained the process of these patrols and all the departments and agencies involved.

Fire Chief: Monthly report is on file.

Superintendent: Monthly report is on file.

Council Committees: The public works committee met to discuss borough projects but did not have any recommendations for council.

Finance & Bills for Payment: President Maletto read the borough's account balances and the bills. This month's bills include General Fund - \$9,554.45, Community Center Fund - \$7,385.12, Highway Aid Fund - \$237.55 and Community Improvement Fund - \$5,278.68. A motion was made by Councilman Warmbrodt and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to pay the bills as presented and to accept the finance report. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Kilhoffer will explore financing options for the demolition of 528 Market St. and the fire services fund.

Solicitor: Solicitor Thomas reported that he drafted a letter to Mr. Tassone explaining our discussion during April's meeting about code enforcement of his property and the borough's properties.

Engineer & Code Enforcement Report: Monthly report is on file. Mr. Miller reviewed his report which included the following

- The Flood Mitigation Project involving the culvert study off W. Center St. and Julia St. is in the final design phase. The Army Corp will be consulted for their approval.
- The W. Center St. and Julia St. stormwater project will be rebid.
- The 2023 CDBG project with the Johnsonburg Municipal Authority for the sewer line behind the Johnsonburg Community Center is being reviewed by the state grant manager.

Engineer Miller reported on potential excess CDBG funding that may become available to the borough. A discussion was held on the slum and blight potential with the repository houses on First Ave. and Bergen St.

Municipal Authority: Minutes are on file.

Recreation Board: Minutes and reports are on file.

Old Business: A discussion was held on the crack sealing completed by HRI as a follow-up for our 2021 paving project.

New Business: 1. Secretary Kilhoffer made Council aware of the Johnsonburg Community Trust's garden project at the intersection of Market St. and Center St. at the former Girl Scout garden.

A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to approve the Johnsonburg Community Trust's request to close Market St. from 1:00 p.m. until midnight on July 7<sup>th</sup> for their annual alumni event and to waive the open container ordinance for the same time and place. Motion carried unanimously.

2. A motion was made by Councilman DePanfilis and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to order AEDs and corresponding wall hanging cabinets for the Johnsonburg Community Center and the Johnsonburg Borough building. Motion carried unanimously.

3. A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to rescind the 2018 Domtar and Elk County RDA Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

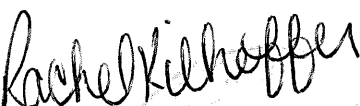
A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman Warmbrodt to sign the 2023 Domtar and Elk County RDA Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Warmbrodt and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to go into executive session to discuss litigation at 5:14 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Imbrogno and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo to return to regular session at 5:31 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

President Maletto stated that, during executive session, litigation was discussed but no action was taken.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Imbrogno to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

  
Rachel Kilhoffer  
Secretary

