

**SHICKSHINNY BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
June 8, 2021**

*The General Meeting of the Borough of Shickshinny Council was held on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 in the council room of the Shickshinny Municipal Building. President Rosalie Whitebread called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.*

*Per roll call, the following members of council were present: Rosalie Whitebread, Jim Wido, Kevin Kruczek & Joe Buchalski. Candice Kruczek was absent.*

**Solicitor's Report-** *Attorney Burke states that he is in the final stages of the Reinhard Subdivision. He received the Crary Street maps. He sent a certified letter to the individuals that are parking their vehicles on Borough Property informing them That they must remove that vehicle from the borough property. He received a telephone call today from one of those individuals, however he was not available to take that call, he called them back and left a message. Jim Wido made a motion for Attorney Burke to contact FEMA to find out the Rules and regulations for these leased properties. Motion was seconded by Joseph Buchalski. Vote: Jim-Yes, Joe-Yes, Kevin Yes and Rosalie-No.*

*Rosalie reminded Attorney Burke to get the information he needs regarding the right of way on Crary Street, so the no parking sign can be placed before the work begins. Motion to accept the Solicitors report by Jim Wido and seconded by Joseph Buchalski. All members voted yes.*

**Engineer's Report: -** *See Attached from Twin Oaks- Motion to accept the report was made by Jim Wido, Second Joseph Buchalski. Vote: All yes*

**Zoning Officer's Report: -** *Sonny from Larry Frace's office updated the Council members on several issues within the borough. There was no report available due to the zoning office moving into a new building. Motion to accept report was made by Jim Wido, Second Joseph Buchalski. Vote: All yes*

**President's Report-** *Rosalie gave an update on what the street department has been doing. New carpeting was put in the meeting room and the two offices. She contacted Kenny Buchavich about repairs needed in both the upstairs and downstairs bathroom, however, she has not received a return call to date. There are some electrical sockets that need to be looked at in this building as well. There Is a neighborhood yard sale to be held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup> and August 14<sup>th</sup>. There is a problem in this borough with people walking their dogs and not cleaning up the mess they leave, there was a sign put up in the park on Canal Street, something needs to be done because this is becoming a real problem.*

*A letter was received from the 570 Redline Outlaws asking to reserve the Shickshinny Park grounds on Susquehanna Ave for the next five years. The Council members agreed that this can be reserved yearly like in the past.*

*Megan Brown emailed the borough about holding a training session here for the EMA volunteers & council members. Rosalie advised her to contact the EMA Coordinator, Jay Smith to set this up.*

Rosalie informed the council members that the Borough can no longer afford to take care of the PG&W Property any longer, this is not borough property and it takes a long period of time to mow all of it. The property goes from one end of Shickshinny (Chestnut Street) to the other end near the Mocanaqua bridge. PG & W needs to be contacted and told to maintain their own property.

The Bible Baptist Church wants to use the Borough Park to hold church services on June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 11, 2021. All members approved this.

The notice to proceed was signed for the Crary/Irene Street project, the work will start on June 28 and be completed by July 15, 2021.

Chris Stoodley will start the approved tree work in addition to taking down three of the trees for an extra \$200.00.

Motion to approve the presidents report was made by Joseph Buchalski and seconded by Kevin Kruczek. Vote Rosalie abstained all others voted yes.

**SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT**-\* Motion to accept the meeting minutes of May 4, 2021 was made by Joesph Buchalski and seconded by Jim Wido. All members voted yes.

The Work Session on May 27, 2021 was canceled.

\*Motion to approve the payment of Bills & Financial Statement was made by Joseph Buchalski and seconded by Jim Wido. All Council Member voted yes.

Invitation to bid for the Rockveic East and West were placed in the paper for June 5<sup>th</sup> and June 11, 2021. Bid will be awarded during the July 6, 2021 Council Meeting.

Motion to accept the Secretaries report was made by Kevin Kruczek and seconded by Jim Wido. All members voted yes.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Lori read correspondence from Mamoth ITAD regarding the borough hosting a recycling event, there is a cost to hold such an event so the Borough is not interested, Luzerne County holds a free electronics recycling event every year.

Lori stated the interim Bridge Inspection report for Bridge No. 1 on Glenn Ave has been received and is here in the office for the members to review.

Joyce Insurance Group is asking to quote all the Borough's insurance. The members agreed that we would like to keep the insurance we currently have.

Lori informed the members that the 2022 Community Development Block Grant is now available for the Borough to apply for. Rosalie asked Lori to send the paperwork to Tom Reilly so he can start working on it. Joe Buchalski suggested that we consider Chestnut Street, Vine and Grant Street for this grant.

The Council Members went into an executive session to discuss personnel issues at 7:00 p.m. and returned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Motion was made to adjourn by Joseph Buchalski & seconded by Kevin Kruczek. Meeting adjourned at 7:27p.m.

Lori Ragazzo  
Borough Ssecretary/Treasurer