

Thompsonsontown Council Meeting  
June 19, 2023  
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A regular meeting of the Thompsonsontown Borough Council was held in the Thompsonsontown Borough Office on May 15, 2023. The following were in attendance: Mayor Gerald Eaton, President Andy Lenig, Vice-President Roger Stutts, Secretary/Treasurer Sue Pontius, Councilmen/Councilwomen: Willard Roush, Martin Wilson, Connie Eaton, Bob Speece, Solicitor Seth Mosebey and Engineer Brian Book. Councilwoman Loretta Allen was absent. Motion to approve both the minutes and the financial report was made by Connie Eaton and seconded by Willard Roush. The Thompsonsontown Volunteer Fire Department was reviewed with Council. The Municipal Authority meeting will be held on Thursday evening.

Engineer Brian Book opened the meeting by reviewing a Green Trials, Recreation grant. Secretary Pontius asked him for cost estimates for this grant. The cost were reviewed with Council and Council was informed this grant has only a 15% match for a max of \$250,000. It was decided to go for the grant since the match is half what they are normally.

Mr. Book also brought up that Port Royal Borough had the Army Corps to review flood areas within the borough. The Army Corps recommended where they should place flood drains etc. Brian asked if he should reach out to them? The grant for this is paid by 100% by the Federal Government. Motion made by Roger Stutts and seconded by Martin Wilson. Council approved.

Mr. Book also informed Council, Ridge Street has a 20' wide triangle area with a seam where water runs in the crack in the road down Pine Street. He suggest a letter should be sent to PennDot requesting them to tell us if this is the borough's problem or if this is a State problem? Brian will get together with Seth to address.

Brian also informed Council Jay Fulkroad & Sons did a walkthrough with Roger Stutts, Ricky O'Neal and himself. One of the patch jobs they did, they did not find as good as it could be, but the rest were good. Brian will send in the completion information to the state, he ask if Fulkroad can have a check sent to them for Payment #3 for a total of \$3625. Approved by Roger Stutts and seconded by Bob Speece. Brian commented the project went over budget \$60,000, which \$26,000 is this is the 10% is owed to the Borough.

Solicitor Mosebey reviewed where the Borough is with the McLean blighted house. In order to sell the property, we need a "Proof of Publication", and to decide a cost for sale. He will bring information to the next meeting.

Mayor Eaton presented a plaque for EMS Week Proclamation to President John Dymond representing the Thompsonsontown Vol Fire Department. Council wanted to let all of our Emergency Services know they are very much appreciated. The Juniata Sentinel was in attendance and took a photo of Gerry and John..

Secretary Pontius asked Council to consider taking out a CD that would give us a little more interest from our General Savings account? Roger Stutts asked how much I want to change into a CD? President Lenig informed Council that once this is put in a CD, you only have access to the funds when it matures within the time frame. Secretary Pontius informed Council in the five years she has been here this account has never been used. Motion was made by Roger Stutts to put 50% of the general savings into a CD. The motion was seconded by Willard Roush. Council approved.

Meeting adjourned by President Lenig at 7:55 PM