

Borough of Alburdis

Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2022

The August 10, 2022 meeting of Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Ron DeIaco at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburdis, PA.

Council members in attendance:

Steve Hill	Hector Moss	Ron DeIaco	Mehmet Birtek
Chad Atkins	John Aleszczyk	Stephen Nemeth	

Associates of Alburdis in attendance:

David Knerr, Solicitor	Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager
Kathleen Palmer, Mayor	

Visitors in attendance:

Gary DeRoner	Garron Stephens	Devon Stephens
Jennifer Stephens		

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

MAYOR’S REPORT – No Report

POLICE REPORT – Stephen Nemeth made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report, Chad Atkins 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 27, 2022 – Hector Moss made a motion to approve the Minutes of July 27, 2022, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT – AUGUST 10, 2022 – Hector Moss made a motion to pay the bills of August 10, 2022, Mehmet Birtek 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Chad Atkins made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

ENGINEER REPORT – Hector Moss made a motion to accept the Engineer’s Report, Chad Atkins 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

ADMINISTRATION

Lehigh County Authority – Signatory Billing Process – Every June, a final billing is sent to the signatories on what they owe for the previous year or if they receive a credit. Lehigh County Authority is asking the municipalities if they can put this money in a Southwestern Lehigh Account instead of giving credits or have us owe. The money could only be used for projects that would benefit the Southwest Lehigh signatories. Some of the signatories have stated that they want to have a say in what it is used for and if one of the smaller municipalities has an emergency, the funds could be used for this. Council would still like a breakdown of who’s money is who’s and an assurance that municipal dollars stay within the Southwest Lehigh. Steve Hill made a motion to allow Sharon to vote yes, provided these conditions are met, Stephen Nemeth 2nd and a unanimous vote followed.

2019 PA Small Water & Sewer Grant – Recommendation to Pay Standard Pipe Service #3 – Based on the recommendation of the engineer, Hector Moss made a motion to pay Standard Pipe Services \$48,800, the motion was 2nd by Chad Atkins and a unanimous vote followed.

Penn Dot Traffic Study Request – Due to the volume of tractor trailer traffic in the Borough, Sharon requested a traffic study from Penn Dot. Penn Dot contacted Sharon and said they are not sure what we are asking for. We are the most signed municipality in the district. They are not sure what more they can do, but they will talk and then contact us for a meeting.

Hometown Heroes Banner Update – 25 banners were purchased and are now hanging throughout the Borough, mostly along the main corridor. We initially charged \$150 per banner, but then received a grant from LC Main Street. This reduced the price to \$100 for each banner. Other residents have since inquired about a banner. We are able to order in increments of ten and once we have enough, we will place another order. These will be sold at the original price. Ron DeIaco thanked Sharon for getting this done in a short period of time and she noted that she had help from the staff.

Recycling Event Update – The Recycling Event was held on July 30th at Macungie Memorial Park. Steve Hill, Tracy and Sharon were there to help. No one from Macungie Borough helped. It went well, but was slower than previous. It is recommended that we hold this event every two years. Council agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – An Executive Session was called at 7:30 and ended at 7:52 with no action taken.

A motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. was made by Stephen Nemeth, 2nd by Chad Atkins and a unanimous vote followed. Meeting minutes were taken and submitted by Sharon Trexler, Borough Manager.