

BOROUGH OF WILMERDING
MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 4, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOROUGH

Meeting was called to order by President Stephen Shurgot at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the President.

S. SHURGOT: please remain standing for a moment of silence in remembrance of our former President Mr. Bush.

ROLL CALL: REV. DOROTY REEVES, present; KAREN PETERSON, present; LINDA KIRK, present; KELLY MAXWELL, present; PAULA SSHURGOT, present; JOHN THOMAS, present; STEPGHEN SHURGOT, present; MAYOR GREGORY JAKUB was also present.

REV. REEVES / L. KIRK TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2018 MEETING AS PRESENTED. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

PETITIONS & MEMORIALS:

T. HICKMAN, AIRBRAKE AVE: I'm overjoyed that the bridge is repaired and I was very happy to see the repairs on 1st and Airbrake. I'm also very excited about the interest in the YMCA; I hope something can be done for our town and the surrounding communities.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. We received a letter from TCVCOG for a yearly donation. Last year we were a Bronze Sponsor for \$200.00.

K. PETERSON/J. THOMAS TO DONATE \$200.00 TO TCVCOG. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

2. Handicap application for 664 Airbrake Avenue. All the paperwork is accounted for and I explained that this is not her personal spot and that I am not sure when the sign will be installed due to the weather.

K. PETERSON/P. SHURGOT TO APPROVE HANDICAP SIGN TO BE INSTALLED AT 664 AIRBRAKE AVENUE. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS – L. KIRK: The fire Department had 33 calls, 10 in town and 23 out of town, 2 work details, 2 training classes, 6 equipment maintenance hours and 1 boot drive for Dylan. Does anyone know about this?

C. LANG: Dylan Botti was a child diagnosed with Leukemia who lost his battle in 2015. They started an organization called Driving for Dylan and every year West Wilmerding and North Versailles Fire Departments do a collection to buy toys to deliver to Children's Hospital.

L. KIRK: The EMS had 57 calls. The average emergency response time was 6.7 minutes and the average non-emergency was 11.7 minutes.

SGT. WES MCCLELLAND: We had 242 events for the month including 7 abandoned vehicles, 5 assaults, 1 BOLO, 7 domestic disputes, 2 DUI's, 2 fraud, 7 local ordinances, 5 motor vehicle crashes, 1 motor vehicle theft, 2 narcotics, 6 thefts, 32 traffic stops, and 1 warrants. We made 27 arrests that included 1 fugitives, 4 narcotics charges, 2 DUI's, 2 simple assaults, 7 theft, 1 EWOC, 1 false report to LE, 3 criminal trespass, 1 aggravated assault, 2 public drunkenness, 1

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receiving stolen property, 1 criminal mischief, 1 absconding witness. We will have some changes for the New Year. We have a new district commander for South Park and Wilmerding who will be promoted to Lieutenant which will be me, we will receive 3 new Sargent's who are being promoted. We will receive a new person on daylight, he is a bicycle patrol officer so when the weather permits he will be out on the bike, and the next 3 months we will be field training new officers so you will see more officers on each shift.

L. KIRK: crime watch will have its Christmas party on Monday December 10th at 6p.m. in council chambers. We will have snacks, food and beverages.

S. SHURGOT: at last month's meeting we passed a Resolution that there was no parking on Summit Street from November to April, we haven't put the signs up but letters were sent out, Tony will be painting the curb but people that live in that alley way say they are having trouble getting out because of people parking to close, Council has a concern with the plow trucks coming down, so we are hoping you will be able to help us out.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: S. SHURGOT: everyone received a copy of the code report and extras have been placed in the hall.

PUBLIC WORKS – P. SHURGOT: they did their final cuts in all areas, there is no more leaf cleanup, the spreaders had to be put on the trucks, they have been helping Kelly decorate the park, and they got new tires for the skid steer done.

J. THOMAS: did we get any feedback from RJ on the snow removal?

P. SHURGOT: he didn't get back to me and I haven't spoken to Tony to see if he has heard. I do have 1 guy that I'm going to talk to also.

ENGINEERS REPORT – A. PRINCE: We will be applying for CITF funding in January for the Welsh/Orient slide, we have also applied for a CD 45 Grant for this. CD 44 Caldwell paving will be postponed until 2019 due to winter. ALCOSAN has expressed an interest in the Ice Plant drainage project. We will be meeting in January to discuss it further. 2018 inlet project will begin on December 5, and the St Joseph Subdivision needs to be approved.

J. THOMAS/K. PETERSON TO APPROVE SUBDIVISION OF ST. JOSEPH DRIVE. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

P. SHURGOT: is there a way to get a turning lane in the left lane of the bridge turning onto Middle Avenue?

A. PRINCE: we would have to do a traffic study through PENDOT. I will run it by Dave.

S. SHURGOT: have Dave look into this Green Light Go and see if this grant may be able to help us.

COG & UTILITIES REPORT – K. PETERSON: the audit was done for COG and I have nothing on utilities.

BOROUGH PROPERTY – L. KIRK: there was a new Christmas tree purchased for the hallway. I checked with J& S about the roots in the park, they said in the spring they will be here to fix.

S. SHURGOT: we attended the event that Recreation had in the downstairs room and it looked very nice. It will serve the community well.

SOLICITOR - G. EVASHAVIK: follow up for the YMCS, there is a record of the 99 year lease so I have prepared a termination letter that needs to be signed by all parties. I sent it to their attorney and I'm waiting to get it back.

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G. JAKUB: do we have any info on the sheriff sale of Pelly's building?

G. EVASHAVIK: nothing that I'm aware of.

P. SHURGOT: it's very misleading when you come down Ice Plant and see the for sale sign, is there a way we can justify that?

G. JAKUB: we have asked them to take it down but they will not.

S. SHURGOT: my concern is once the organization gets its charter and tries to attract members why is someone going to come when the building is for sale.

FINANCE – J. THOMAS:

J. THOMAS / P. SHURGOT TO PAY APPROVED BILLS. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

J. THOMAS / K. PETERSON TO ADOPT THE 2019 BUDGET WITH REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES EQUALING \$910,704.00. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

J. THOMAS / P. SHURGOT TO INCREASE THE REAL ESTATE MILAGE TO 11 MIL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT PURPOSES. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 7-0.

J. THOMAS / K. PETERSON TO TRANSFER \$8000.00 FROM GENERAL FUND TO THE PLGIT FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND. THIS MONEY WAS SET ASIDE IN THE 2018 BUDGET. MEMBERS VOTED APPROVAL, 6-1.

RECREATION – K. MAXWELL: the Christmas party is on Saturday from 6-8 in the park. Santa will arrive at 6 p.m. and Elaine will be taking pictures. We had 26 children put letters in the box and I received 3 donations, 1 from CIAC, 1 from Compass Bank, and 1 from a student organization at my school. We will have hot chocolate and cookies, music and hayrides. All the luminary orders will be ready and we will have extras to sell. We sold over 500 and we will have a donation bin to help light up the park on Christmas Eve.

PLANNING – REV. REEVES: there was not a meeting because everyone was ill and the weather was bad.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

MAYOR'S REMARKS – G. JAKUB: for anybody that wasn't here last meeting we talked about the interest with the YMCA building. The group that we formulated is called Wilmerding Community Center, Inc. We have a tax ID number and are working to get a 501-c-3 nonprofit number. Once we get that we can start accepting donations. This is ground zero, with the removal of so much the building is not usable right now. This will take some time but I hope that within a 6 month period, we should have parts of the building open again. This is an ongoing process and we will be looking for donations because we are starting from the beginning.

Meeting adjourned 7:33 p.m.