

Borough of Wilmerding Planning Commission
Meeting April 27, 2022

Members Present: Joyce Tomasic, Pauline Walsh, Ben Gusty, Pastor Reed and Barb Richardson, Kelly Belin

Absent: Leahmanda Barnes

Zoning: John Marcoz, Francis Speranza

A motion was made by Ben Gusty to accept the minutes with a second by Barb Richardson. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Joyce received an email from Mary Colbaugh, from Rep. Markosek's office concerning solar panel farms. She was advised by the Community and Economic Development Department in Harrisburg that they know nothing about solar panel farms and that the Solar Program is not currently open. She was advised to contact Congressman Doyle. Mary contacted Doyle's office and they are to call Joyce back concerning rebate program.

Made a call to 88 Homes. Al is retired now but works part time. He will get back to Joyce.

Deanna Moyer from Compass Bank will meet with us to discuss financing for manufactured homes. She will meet during June meeting.

There were two Nominees for Chair of the Planning Commission. Joyce Tomasic and Pastor Michael Reed.

Joyce Tomasic was voted to Chair

Pastor Reed is Vice Chair

Pauline Walsh is Secretary

Voting is Complete on Private ballot.

Joyce was approached to sign a document approving the sale of property to Allegheny Petroleum from WABTEC. They said it had to be done at once, no waiting for meeting.

A Motion was made by Pastor Reed to ratify Joyce Tomasic's decision to sign papers for the sale of the property by Wabtec to Allegheny Petroleum with a second by Barb Richardson, motion carried voted by Joyce Tomasic, Pauline Walsh, Ben Gusty, Pastor Reed and Barb Richardson. Leahmanda Barnes was absent.

There was a press release by the UE local 610 authorizing a strike in the face of the Wabtec Plant closing.

The Union made an appearance at Council looking for support. They are planning a demonstration in the Park.

About 60 employees remain. The property assessment is about \$4,431,200.00 with city taxes about 20540.00 annually.

One borough worker has been hired, another is waiting for background check.

Discussed garbage issues with dumpsters.

Joyce will invite our school board representative, Courtney Verner to our next meeting. She is the treasurer of the EASD board.

Pastor Reed is willing to lease his parking lot for a playground.

A motion was made to adjourn by Ben Gusty with a second by Barb Richardson. Motion carried.