



## **CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**October 03, 2023**

The public meeting of the Borough Council of Connoquenessing was called to order.

Present were Council members Lloyd Leslie, Chris Logan, Rob Campbell, Francis Smith, David Hilliard, and Mayor Raymond Betz.

Also present were Mike Ross, Matt McConnell, Lou Zimmerman, Dave Cottingham, Dave Bocci and Vickie Forbes.

Matt McConnell provided an update on plans for the proposed fire department facility and indicated that the plans would soon be issued for a preliminary bid.

### **SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE**

Bocci reported on normal operations at the Plant. Flows at the Plant continue to be low with the current dry conditions, averaging 24,000 gal. in September for the 80,000 gal. Plant. Inspections for sewer connections continue in Hidden Springs.

### **BUSINESS**

Hilliard motioned, Logan seconded, to approve the meeting minutes of September 5, 2023. Motion passed.

Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded, to approve the submitted August 2023 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Smith motioned, Campbell seconded, to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance – Solar/Wind Energy

Council discussed the suggestion by the County to municipalities to amend the SALDO ordinance to include addressing solar/wind energy. Smith motioned, Hilliard seconded to explore this suggestion to amend the subdivision and land development ordinance to include information pertaining to solar/wind energy as well as to review the entire ordinance for any additional updates. Motion passed.

#### Code Enforcement Update

Council discussed the recent resignation of the attorney working at Lutz Pawk and Black and the multiple issues that were in process that he was handling for the Borough. Council agreed to get an update from Attorney Lutz on his plan to provide service.

#### Garbage Collection Issue in Park

Waste Management was contacted regarding the extra charge for the over-filled dumpster by outsiders and about a method to lock the dumpster to prevent this from happening in the future. Waste Management agreed to waive the extra charge and will provide a gravity bar lock for a \$13.50 fee per month.

#### Resolution 2023-05 Local Share Account Grant - Sidewalks

Campbell motioned, Smith seconded to approve Resolution 2023-05. Motion passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### DEP Sewage Planning Exemption – Fire Department

A DEP Sewage Planning Exemption for the new fire department facility was received and reviewed by the Borough Engineer. Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded to approve for signature. Motion passed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Emergency Management:** The group met on Thursday, September 28. The budget proposal for 2024 will be distributed to the municipalities for review.



## MINUTES – 10/03/2023

<b>Fire:</b>	No Report
<b>Law and Order:</b>	No Report
<b>Streets:</b>	No Report
<b>Zoning/Planning:</b>	No Report
<b>Borough Building:</b>	No Report
<b>Park:</b>	Right Electric is to be contacted to replace the dusk-to-dawn light. Smith reported on tree removal. Rocks and debris should be removed from shelter roofs.
<b>Sewage Financial:</b>	No Report

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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