

AUGUST 21, 2019  
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268  
REGULAR MEETING

Council President C. Harold Mumma called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Waynesboro Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Patrick Fleagle, Niccole Rolls, C. Harold Mumma, Dade Royer and Michael Cermak (Jarred Knott was absent)

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Jason Stains, Borough Manager

Sam Wiser, Borough Solicitor

Kevin Grubbs, Head of Engineering Services

Chad Rooney, Administrative Services Coordinator

Matt Schmidt, Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer

S. Leiter Pryor, Director of Utilities

Jim Sourbier, Police Chief

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Starliper led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Council adjourned to executive session at 6:32 p.m. to discuss personnel and contract negotiation issues. They reconvened to regular session at 6:58 p.m.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND VOTING ON ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE REPORTS (AS NEEDED)**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** Councilman Cermak made a motion to approve a step increase for Ray Wagaman to salary level 11C, effective 09/05/2019. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Cermak made a motion to re-appoint Barry McNew to the Civil Service Commission; said term to expire on 08/01/2025. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Cermak made a motion to accept the resignation of Patrolman Shawn Tuthill, effective 09/01/2019. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Cermak made a motion to appoint Douglas Tengler to the Library Board to fill the unexpired term of Julian Birely; said term to expire on 02/01/2022. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Chad Rooney noted that Council authorized participation in the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs' Junior Councilperson Program in 2016. He has interviewed William Young and is recommending his appointment as an alternate Junior Councilperson for the 2019-2020 school year. Councilman Cermak made a motion for approval. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**PROPERTY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:** No report.

**STREET COMMITTEE:** Councilwoman Rolls reported on the 08/08 Street Committee meeting, as follows –

- Requests for "Watch Children" Signs – Councilwoman Rolls made a motion to approve the installation of two (2) "Watch Children" signs and posts on Commerce Street. Councilman Cermak seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

In addition, as the result of a speed analysis study conducted by the Borough's Engineering Department, Councilwoman Rolls made a motion to approve the installation of 25 mph speed limit signs and "Watch Children" signs on Memorial Park Drive. Councilman Cermak seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

- Walking School Bus Program – WASD members were in attendance at the meeting, as well as the Principal from Fairview Avenue Elementary School, to discuss their proposed Walking School Bus Program. There will be four (4) designated walking routes serving the Fairview Avenue Elementary School, and volunteers will serve as Neighborhood Ambassadors assigned to different sections of the route(s) to assist walking students by offering a sense of added security. They are requesting support from the Borough for the installation of signs with the Fairview Avenue logo along the walking routes, utilizing existing sign posts in order to minimize the addition of new posts (the School District will pay for the signs and any new posts needed).
- Request to Remove Resident Permit Parking – Following a resident's request to remove Resident Permit Parking on Myrtle Avenue and the discussion/consideration of many factors, the Street Committee developed two (2) recommendations as follows:

*Recommendation #1* – to remove the "Resident Permit Parking Only" on (1) Myrtle Avenue from E. Third Street to E. Main Street, (2) Virginia Avenue from E. Second Street to E. Main Street, and (3) E. Third Street from Clayton Avenue to Myrtle Avenue; and

*Recommendation #2 – to remove “No Parking” on (1) the east side of Virginia Avenue from E. Second Street to E. Main Street, and (2) the west side of S. Enterprise Avenue from E. Second Street to the beginning of the tractor trailer parking area.*

However, Ms. Rolls added that several issues still need to be finalized prior to bringing a final recommendation to Council for voting.

Terry Flegel, 24 Myrtle Avenue, stated that residents on Myrtle Avenue would definitely be impacted (noise, litter and line of sight) by a decision to remove the permit parking, and he urged their consideration of Recommendation #2.

Stephen Monn, 126 W. Main Street, asked if the School District would be required to put in more parking spaces. Councilwoman Rolls stated that the School District has the approved number on spaces on their parking lot now.

Discussion on the matter will continue at the next Street Committee meeting which is scheduled for 09/12 at 9:00 a.m.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** No report. In response to the many questions he has received, Councilman Fleagle asked for an update on replacement of the downtown trees that were removed. President Mumma advised that they will be purchasing bare-root trees (which cannot be planted until spring), but the holes are scheduled to be bricked next week. Based on a recommendation from the Shade Tree Commission, Councilman Cermak made a motion to order nine (9) trees (to be included in the 2020 budget). Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** No report.

**RECREATION BOARD:** Councilman Royer presented a request for a Walk-A-Thon from the Middle School to Memorial Park on 09/27 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Food trucks will be staged in the parking area next to the Little League field. The rain date for the event will be 09/30. Councilman Royer made a motion for approval. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The next Recreation Board meeting will be held on 08/28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rotary Park.

**RENFREW MUSEUM AND PARK REPORT:** Becky LaBarre, Executive Director of Renfrew Museum and Park, was in attendance and provided a summary of her written report, which was as follows –

- Below you will find a summary of the activities of Renfrew Museum and Park since your last meeting.

General Operations

- Renfrew Committee, Inc. (RCI) last met on Monday, July 15, 2019 and minutes have yet to be approved. I have included the draft minutes for your reference (see attached). RCI's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2019. Documents will be regularly submitted with subsequent reports as they become available.

The Borough's work on the Buckey Trail is coming along nicely and is much appreciated. To date, a large section of the trail has been constructed, wrapping around the back of the property and past the Fahnestock farmstead. Work will continue to extend the trail past the Four Square Garden, back toward the grist mill site, and to stop at the humpback bridge. It is our understanding that Phase I of the trail project should be completed by the end of September 2019. Phase II, to extend the trail into our wetland areas and out to Otterbein Park still requires final approvals. We eagerly look forward to finalizing plans with Borough staff.

Application materials for the re-zoning request with Washington Township are still being prepared. No updates at this time.

#### Programs & Events

- Renfrew Museum and Park is entering its busiest part of the season. As summer comes to an end and autumn approaches, our year-end programming schedule is in full swing.

The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Civil War Encampment hosted by the Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company F. took place at Renfrew over the weekend of August 9, 10 and 11, 2019. We welcomed 300 reenactors to the park who presented period military and civilian life to our guests. On Saturday, all our buildings were open to tour during Renfrew's annual Farmstead Day which included cooking demonstrations in the Summer Kitchen and a quilt show by the Buchanan Trail Quilters Guild. A dance was held in the Fahnestock Barn which was attended by many members of the community. The event concluded Sunday afternoon with a re-enactment of the Battle of Cold Harbor by participating reenactment units.

Renfrew Museum and Park will be participating in Fairfield's Pippenfest on Sunday, September 29, 2019 as part of the new Colonial Corner section located at the Fairfield Inn. We'll take many of our signature children's activities on the road including our hankie doll station, plywood milk cow, and photo cut-outs. We're very excited to contribute to Pippenfest this year and look forward to attracting new audiences to Renfrew Museum and Park.

Oktoberfest tickets are now available for purchase online, by mail, or in the Visitors Center. Cost per person is \$45. Members who take advantage of our Early Bird Special by renewing their Renfrew Museum and Park membership in August 2019 rather than January 2020 will receive an extra \$5 off their Oktoberfest admission. Renfrew's Fourth Annual Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Eagles Club second floor

ballroom, 16 E. Main Street in Waynesboro. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Menu is being finalized and will be announced soon. Please spread the word and help support Renfrew at one of our biggest fundraisers of the year.

Ms. LaBarre also announced that Renfrew Institute will be sponsoring a Jazz Concert on 08/25 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The Mayor's Report was as follows –

- I attended the 48<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the PA State Mayors Association in State College from July 18-21. We had a number of outstanding speakers and also Punxsutawney Phil.
- On the 25<sup>th</sup>, I attended the meeting of the Franklin County Mayors.
- Also on the 25<sup>th</sup>, I attended the ribbon cutting and open house for Farmers Insurance Company.
- On the 27<sup>th</sup>, I attended the ribbon cutting for the new brick walkway beside Zoe's.
- On the 29<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Board of Directors meeting for Burns Hill Cemetery.
- On the 30<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Community Summit meeting at the Waynesboro Area School District.
- On August 1<sup>st</sup>, I was invited to attend for the visit of Vice-President Mike Pence at Manitowoc Company.
- On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, I was invited to attend the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Daughters of American Revolution event. I also presented them with a proclamation honoring the event.
- On August 13<sup>th</sup>, I attended the opening ceremony for the opening of the new school year.
- On August 14<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Board of Directors meeting for the Greater Waynesboro Chamber of Commerce.
- On August 15<sup>th</sup>, I attended the Greencastle-Antrim Chamber's breakfast meeting.
- On August 16<sup>th</sup>, I attended the ribbon cutting for our new Wee Scot Book Shoppe.
- On August 21<sup>st</sup>, I attended the Council of Governments meeting.
- Also on the 21<sup>st</sup>, Jamison Door had a ribbon cutting and open house.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** No report.

**DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES' REPORT:** The Director of Utilities' Report was as follows –

- Billing Software Update – We went live with the MuniLink billing software yesterday afternoon. Currently we are booking accounts receivables into the new system. The bills going out at the end of the month will be in new billing format. There will be a notation on the new bills urging customers to check out the online portal and to sign up for electronic bill pay and paperless billing. A press release will go out prior to the billing informing the customers of the new bill format and how to sign up for e-billing and online payments.

- Water Treatment Plant Update – The WBA authorized advertisement of Contract 4, the masonry restoration contract, for the Water Treatment Plant Project and a pre-bid meeting is scheduled for August 30 at the Water Plant. Bids for this contract will be opened prior to the September 17<sup>th</sup> WBA meeting.
- PENNVEST Update – We have been working on pulling together the required closing documents for the PENNVEST loan. The WBA passed several resolutions related to the PENNVEST borrowing last evening. One of the resolutions was a proposed amendment to the WBA Articles of Incorporation extending the life of the Authority to 2026. This is required because the term of the loan extends beyond the remaining life of the Authority. As part of the life extension process, Borough Council must adopt a resolution ultimately approving the proposed amendment to the WBA Articles of Incorporation and a resolution has been prepared for Borough Council's consideration.

President Mumma noted that Council will not be voting on the resolution this evening, as Jon Fleagle (WBA Chairman) and Solicitor Wiser need to have a discussion on one item in the operating agreement.

Mr. Fleagle was in attendance and stressed that the timing on this resolution is very critical. Their awarded PENNVEST loan interest rate is 1.69% for the first 5 years and 2.16% for the remaining 15 years ... and they can't afford to let this slip by. He added that the Borough and Borough Authority have been talking in good faith with regard to the operating agreement between the two entities, and it would be very helpful if Council would take action tonight to approve the required resolution.

Solicitor Wiser noted that PENNVEST is very gracious with its timing, and assured Mr. Fleagle that they will allow the time it takes to provide the required documents with no jeopardy to the loan award. He added that PENNVEST would also be willing to issue a Letter of No Prejudice if the projects need to begin before the documents are available. Mr. Wiser stated that it is a very large commitment for this Council to extend the life of the WBA; and the extension of life to the WBA is inextricably linked to having an agreement to outline roles and responsibilities of the Borough in providing the manpower, materials and services to the Authority as well as the Authority's role in the operational matters for governing the water and sewer systems.

Mr. Fleagle stated that the proposed loan closing date is 12/17, and the change to the WBA's Articles of Incorporation must go through the state level before they come back to the WBA and through PENNVEST. Solicitor Wiser advised that documents need to be uploaded 21 days prior to loan closing, which provides adequate time between Council's September meeting and the 12/17 closing date. He also suggested that Council could hold a special meeting on the first Wednesday in September to take action on the resolution. He added that it is not good business practice to enter into a long-term relationship without a document that outlines what the terms of that relationship are.

Councilwoman Rolls asked if Council members received a copy of the proposed resolution in their meeting packet. Mr. Pryor advised that he wrote a memo and requested that it be placed on the agenda for Council's discussion/action at this meeting. Mr. Mumma stated that he instructed the Borough Manager not to place it on the agenda until the other matters had been agreed upon.

President Mumma announced that Council will meet on the first Wednesday of September (09/04) at 6:30 p.m. and this item will be on the agenda. In the meantime, Mr. Fleagle and Mr. Wiser are to meet and get details of the operating agreement resolved.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:** The Manager's Report was as follows –

- We are working with Urban Design Ventures to modify CDBG money to pay for the swing set at Mt. Airy Park and to complete paving between W. Fifth Street and S. Potomac Street. We will hold a conference call tomorrow to discuss when a modification hearing will take place and we may need to hold a special Council meeting to ratify the modification. We believe that we can get that section of W. Fifth Street paved this year.
- The first open house for prospective bidders on the 471 W. Fourth Street property was held this evening. A second open house will be held on August 25, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. The auction will take place on September 6, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.
- The Memorial Park Project is wrapping up. We have walked the site and created a punch list for the contractors to address prior to final payments being distributed. The punch list will be mailed to the contractors this week. We are attempting to find the relatives of the men killed in World War II who had memorial markers placed in their honor in the park.
- We are in possession of all of the stained glass windows from the church on Main Street. We will be working with Gateway Auction to sell these windows at an upcoming property auction.
- The Pennsylvania Economy League is continuing to work with us through the Strategic Management Planning Program and will be on site next month meeting with Department Heads.
- I have written a letter of support for Mainstreet Waynesboro for a grant program with the money being used for additional flower baskets, plants in Main Street Park and additional brackets for veterans' banners. In addition, I am writing a letter to support their efforts for a \$40,000 façade grant for properties in the Downtown Business District.
- I am currently working on a draft policy for banners, ribbons and decorations attached to Borough property throughout the downtown. I will have a draft for the September Council meeting.
- I am working on a resolution to accept bids for vehicles no longer necessary in our fleet and that will be presented next month.
- Our pool consultant is tentatively planning to be in town the first week of September to begin their assessment of Northside Pool. We are currently only

operating on weekends since school is in session and our last day of operations will be Labor Day. Additionally, we will hold our annual dog swim on September 7, 2019.

- Our Electronic Recycling Day will be held September 28, 2019, rain or shine, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on E. Ninth Street between Clayton Avenue and State Hill Road. A press release is forthcoming and the event is only open to Borough residents. Proof of residency will be required to participate in this event.

Mr. Stains noted that Council will meet in executive session at the end of this meeting to discuss personnel, litigation and code enforcement matters.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS:** Visitors desiring to comment on a particular agenda item will be recognized by the President to speak when the topic is being discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Tom McCloud, 527 Green Street – Mr. McCloud questioned if the Borough has had any discussion regarding the impact the “rain tax” will have on Borough residents. Mr. Stains clarified that it is not a tax, but a fee; and he advised that Council President Mumma will be appointing a committee to begin discussions regarding this matter. He has had conversations with an engineering firm that works with several local municipalities (excluding Greencastle); and they will be meeting with the committee in the near future to begin the process, although it is currently in its infancy.

Solicitor Wiser noted that the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) is what most municipalities use to collect stormwater. The federal government enacted a program requiring effluent limits on wastewater plants in order to clean up the Chesapeake Bay, and now they want to clean-up the discharge from these municipal storm sewer systems. Enforcement is based on “urbanized areas” or population; and Waynesboro didn’t get tagged in the last census as an urbanized area that falls within the requirements of an MS4 community, but it is only a matter of time. There is some concern that, with the results of the 2020 Census, we will fall within the federal urbanized area category. There are other communities that have stormwater programs but aren’t MS4 communities yet. They generally look at how many systems there are (both public and private), what is the status of those systems, are there any immediate costs faced (inlets that need fixed, lengths of pipes that don’t function), and how do you equitably divide that amongst the community?

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Councilman Fleagle made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as follows –

- A. Accept Reports of the Police Chief, Fire Chief and Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer for the month of July, 2019

B. Pay Bills – Check Detail(s) dated 08/12 and 08/20

Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**CONSIDER PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION RE: VACANT, ABANDONED AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS STRUCTURES:** Mr. Stains noted that the proposed ordinance was discussed at Council's last meeting and advertised for consideration at this meeting. Councilwoman Rolls made a motion for approval. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO, FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER, CHAPTER 202, ENTITLED "VACANT, ABANDONED, AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS STRUCTURES.

Complete copy on file at Borough Hall.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 2019-11 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL APPROVAL TO PA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:** Kevin Grubbs presented a resolution authorizing the submission of an application for traffic signal approval to PENNDOT for the 12 RRFB lights to be installed in the near future. Councilman Cermak made a motion for approval. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-11**

BE IT RESOLVED, by authority of the Borough Council of the BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO, Franklin County, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, that the Head of Engineering Services of said MUNICIPALITY is authorized and directed to submit the attached Application for Traffic Signal Approval the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and to sign this Application on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY.

Complete copy on file at Borough Hall.

**PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY RE: FOOT PATROL FROM WAYNESBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Sourbier advised that the Borough has had, for several years, a contract with the Housing Authority to reimburse for foot patrols specifically focused on the Hawbaker Avenue community. Their funding streams have changed for that, which require that the

contract be re-written. They will still provide reimbursement, but a limit on the number of hours has changed (it is, however, still under the regular monthly average for foot patrol and would result in no real change to the program). Councilman Cermak made a motion for approval. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**TRANSFER OF THE TOLL GATE HOUSE AND BOURNS (BURNS) CABIN FROM THE WAYNESBORO BENEFICIAL FUND ASSOCIATION TO THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO:** Mr. Stains noted that the Borough received notification earlier this year from the Waynesboro Beneficial Fund Association of their intention to potentially give these properties away. Subsequent discussions were held regarding the properties. There is a business interested in renting the Toll Gate House, and potential programs could be held (in partnership with Renfrew) at the Burns Cabin. Based on Council's direction, he corresponded with the Beneficial Fund Association regarding the Borough's intent to accept the properties and requesting a financial contribution at the time of deed transfer to assist with necessary maintenance and landscaping. President Mumma noted that the properties are in excellent condition, and rent monies collected will help to create a fund for future upkeep.

Councilwoman Rolls made a motion for approval. Councilman Cermak seconded; the motion passed unanimously. It was noted that the Beneficial Fund Association anticipates approval at their upcoming meeting at the end of this month.

**RESCIND ORDINANCE NO. 1096 ENACTED ON AUGUST 18, 2010:** Mr. Stains noted that Ordinance No. 1096 amended Ordinance No. 1021, which adopted the Uniform Construction Code in 2010. Certain exclusions were referenced as part of that amendment, including that the Borough would not require permits for roof covering replacement and roof sheathing replacement. Concern has been noted with regard to a property on Hamilton Avenue that is being dealt with through code enforcement efforts, as they have begun to repair the roof without obtaining any kind of permit.

Council discussed the other exclusions and agreed that permits should also be required for the replacement of HVAC and if electrical wire/devices are being added. These changes will be made for Council's review at their next meeting.

**FORMALLY AUTHORIZE BIDS FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF W. FIFTH STREET BETWEEN CHURCH AND POTOMAC STREETS:** Mr. Stains mentioned this earlier in his report and requested Council's authorization for staff to advertise for the project. Plans are to open bids in September so the work can be done before the paving season ends in October. Councilman Fleagle made a motion for approval. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHT MAINTENANCE:** Mr. Stains advised that the Borough was notified by PENNDOT last year that bids are to be solicited for professional services reimbursed with Liquid Fuels funding, and he requested Council's authorization to advertise for bids for traffic light maintenance

services. Councilman Cermak made a motion for approval. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVE MODIFICATIONS TO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS (RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12):** Mr. Stains noted that discussions have been held regarding recommended modifications to the Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations ... specifically the residency requirement for police and fire candidates (which is currently 15 air miles from the Center Square of Waynesboro). In an attempt to be more accommodating to applicants and potential future employees, it was recommended that the requirement be changed to 50 air miles and residing within the Commonwealth of PA. The Civil Service Commission has approved this modification, as well as a change for fire candidates from three (3) years to one (1) year of experience as an operator of emergency vehicles in excess of 26,000 GVW or be a relief driver with the Waynesboro Fire Department. Councilman Cermak made a motion to approve these modifications to the CSC Rules and Regulations and Resolution #2019-12. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-12**

WHEREAS, the Borough Code, 8 Pa.C.S.A. §1176, provides that the Civil Service Commission may prescribe, amend and enforce rules and regulations and shall be governed by the rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, before the effective date of the rules and regulations or amendments to them, they shall be first approved by Council; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council previously approved an amendment to the Borough's Civil Service Rules and Regulations by Resolution #2015-12 and now desires to incorporate that amendment into the text of the Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Waynesboro Civil Service Commission has recommended an additional amendment to its Rules and Regulations and has requested Borough Council to approve said amendment.

Complete copy on file at Borough Hall.

**APPROVE MODIFICATIONS TO FIRE APPARATUS DRIVER JOB DESCRIPTION:** Mr. Stains presented a modified job description to incorporate changes to the required years of experience as an operator of emergency vehicles in excess of 26,000 GVW (as mentioned above). Councilwoman Rolls made a motion for approval. Councilman Royer seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**AUTHORIZE THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO TEST FOR PATROLPERSON FOLLOWING RETURN OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FROM WAYNESBORO POLICE ASSOCIATION:** Mr. Stains noted that the Police Association was presented with a Memorandum of Understanding amending Article 21, Section 10

of the Collective Bargaining Agreement to update the residency requirements (as mentioned above). That document should be fully executed prior to beginning examinations for Patrolperson to alleviate any discrepancies. Councilman Royer made a motion to authorize the CS examination, contingent upon receipt of the signed MOU. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**AUTHORIZE POLICE CHIEF AND BOROUGH MANAGER TO ENTER INTO ANY AGREEMENTS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE SOLICITOR TO ACCEPT DONATION OF A NEW POLICE DOG:**

Chief Sourbier announced that the Borough was approached by a gentleman who purchased a pedigree service dog with the intention of training him as a service dog, but is now unable to follow through. He expressed his appreciation for the services of the Borough and offered to donate the 8 week old, Belgian Malinois puppy to the Police Department to continue in his service expectations as a police K-9 for this community. Mr. Sourbier noted that this is an extremely generous donation, permitting the Police Department to return to a K-9 unit at far less cost than if they were to initiate the endeavor on their own. The dog will be utilized (after appropriate training) in narcotics detection and tracking. Councilwoman Rolls made a motion for approval. Councilman Cermak seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**AUTHORIZE BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF 409 W. FIFTH STREET:** Mr. Stains noted that the Borough has received an Order of Court for demolition of the dangerous structure at 409 W. Fifth Street, which was previously boarded-up under authority of the International Property Maintenance Code. Councilman Royer made a motion to authorize soliciting bids for the demolition. Councilwoman Rolls seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** None.

**PRESS QUESTIONS:**

Joyce Nowell, Herald Mail –

Question: How long has it been since the Borough has had a K-9 officer?

- Chief Sourbier responded, five (5) years.

Question: Will extra funding be needed for training, etc.?

- Mayor Starliper responded, not at this time. President Mumma noted that, when the Borough had the previous K-9, individuals/organizations took care of all expenses with the exception of the stipend paid to the officer for caring for the dog year-round; and they hope to do the same with this K-9 and officer.

Question: Does the officer need training?

- President Mumma stated that the dog and officer both need training.

Question: What is the Waynesboro Beneficial Fund Association, and why did they want to get rid of the Toll Gate House and Burns Cabin?

- Mayor Starliper stated that he will talk with her further following the meeting. Mr. Stains noted that, because the properties were on their books, they were required to donate more money annually. This would reduce their “giving” requirement.

Question: And you readily welcome those properties?

- President Mumma responded affirmatively, and Councilwoman Rolls added that they are historic structures that the Borough is pleased to have.

Question: Is there any reason why there will be a problem with an agreement between the Borough and the Authority? Is that in jeopardy at all?

- Solicitor Wiser noted it is something that has been worked on for some time, and it just needs to be wrapped up. It is a voluminous agreement and takes time to work through.

Andrea Rose, Record Herald –

Question: Is this a male or a female K-9? And do we have a name for it yet?

- Chief Sourbier responded, male; but noted its name will be revealed the following day.

Question: Do you have an officer selected to work with the dog?

- Chief Sourbier responded affirmatively (also to be announced the following day).

Question: If people want to donate to the Borough to help offset expenses for the dog, how would they do that?

- Mayor Starliper noted they should contact Chief Sourbier.

#### **COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS:**

Chief Sourbier thanked the Council for accepting the donation of a K-9. This is an exceptionally unique opportunity, and he is pleased that they recognized it as well for not only the Police Department, but for their responsibility to Waynesboro's citizens. He

added that the donor will be pleased also, as he had his heart set on seeing this dog being used in the community.

Chief Sourbier also voiced his appreciation to those who participated and planned the National Night Out event held earlier this month. The event was very well attended, with 800-1,000 people in attendance. He thanked Council for the use of Memorial Park, which is an exceptional venue for that type of activity.

Chad Rooney noted he received correspondence from Lamar Showalter, on behalf of City Light Fellowship. They reported no issues with vandalism at the Community Garden ... the only complication they had in dividing the harvest. They are looking to expand and add more boxes over the winter months, allowing more people to participate next spring. Councilman Cermak commented that they did a great job and congratulated the church on their success. President Mumma added that Councilman Cermak (who owns a neighboring business) donates water to the project.

Mayor Starliper announced that the Waynesboro Fire Police assisted with "Make A Wish" on 08/19 at Twin Bridges Campground. He reminded citizens and motorists to be alert since school is now in session again.

Having no further business to discuss, Council adjourned to executive session at 8:50 p.m. They reconvened, with no voting afterward, and adjourned the meeting at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda S. Knott  
Borough Secretary