

KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 MEETING

President, Jonathan Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Mayor Nikolas Hatzas, Anthony Avilla, Terry Mohler, Peter O'Brien, Jeffery Smith, Scott Stamm, Roger Weidenheimer.

Also in attendance: Jim McCarthy Engineering, Lt. Zebertavage Reading Police Department and the following community members Virginia Leshner, Elissa Smith and Vince Gagliardo and Terry Shuker.

Public comment:

Terry Shuker of 57 Wesleyan Drive said the fire department did a outstanding job on the memorial service.

President of Council:

- Approval of Minutes-President Smith presented the minutes from the August 3, 2023 Council meeting for approval. Mr Mohler made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Jeff Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Borough Reports

- **Mayor:** Mr Hatzas reported the fines collected in August were 150.00. He also wished Roger Weidenheimer a Happy birthday today.
- **Kenhorst VFD Chief Report:** Chief Dwayne Hart presented total 64 fire calls. The chicken barbecue held in August, 848 dinners sold for \$10,176.00, bake sale sold \$122.00, public donation was \$707.00 grand total \$11,005.00.
- **Finance Report:** Mr. Weidenheimer made the motion to accept the report.
- **Codes and Emergency Services:** No report
- **Personnel:** President Smith said personnel committee will be meeting this week to interview for the new Secretary/Treasurer position
- **Sanitation:** New recycle bins are in and if anyone is interested they should call the borough hall to receive one.
- **Stormwater:** No report
- **Sollittor's Report:** On vacation
- **Property & Buildings Report:** No report
- **Streets**-No report
- **Police**-79 calls for the month of August

MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY REPORTS:

Parks/Playground: Building complete and the electric goes in next week.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Cindy is looking into permit fees from both McCarthy and Kraft Codes so we have a better understanding what they cost.
- End of consulting agreement with the former Borough manager and former secretary/treasurer.
- There were 22 complaints for overgrown grass and weeds this month and one generator complaint for running a generator at 1319 Commonwealth Blvd. The police will keep an eye on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

- New member Virginia Leshner 1315 Columbia Ave was sworn in the zoning hearing board, Mr. Stamm made a motion, seconded by Jeff Smith.
- Collection process for the sewer/trash bill will be started again through RAWA for people with high delinquent sewer bills.
- Cindy explained to John Kracker 1402 Fern Ave his towing bill cannot be paid by the borough.
- Bronco's contract renewal motion was made by Mr. Terry Mohler and seconded by Mr. Jeff Smith.
- Yellow painting for curbs was motioned by President Jon Smith and seconded by Mr. Terry Mohler for Borough Manager to solicit bids for a yellow curb painting action throughout the Borough.

Final remarks and reminders:

- Next Workshop meeting-October 3, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.
- Next Council Meeting-October 5, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: At this time President Smith announced that with no further business, Council will adjourn to an Executive session to discuss possible litigation. Mr. Mohler made a motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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