

New Alexandria Borough Council
Minutes of April Meeting
May 8th, 2024

Attending the meeting were the following:

Dan Dunmeyer	Bonnie Dunmeyer	Henry Snyder	Wayne Duffield
Dennis Zdrojkowski	Carol Zdrojkowski	Tim Ruane	Brian Cavanaugh

At 7:00PM Daniel Dunmeyer called the meeting to order, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Mayor's Report:**

Westmoreland County Borough Association Meeting will be having their yearly banquet on May 23rd at Hoss's Steakhouse in Greensburg. Meeting theme "Utilizing Community Development". Everyone is welcome to attend.

- **President's Report:**

Casino Funds Grant application is still being processed. 4H students using the building for meetings on Sunday, asking if there is anything they can do around the community to help, please contact them?

- **Code Enforcement Report:**

Nothing to report currently other than the Dollar General is still in progress. Once ground is broken, it should go fast. Question: where it is being built, near the firemen's club on Rt. 22.

- **Emergency Management Directors Report:**

Dan read Don Deglau report given to Dennis Zdrojkowski to submit to the committee.

- **Activities Committee Report:**

Sojourn is being scratched for any extra activities. Just not enough time to plan.
Moving on with the June Kick Off going to be held Saturday, June 15th.

- **Streets/Maintenance:**

Grass is being cut. Andrew Kolano agreed to do some work for the Borough, but we need his timecard for payment. Also looking into a couple landscapers for quotes. Dan stated that Chase did some work also but will give the hours to Carol. Dan also mentioned the sink hole that is located on 110 Pleasant Vue Road. It is about 3' by 3'. Discussion on fixing and repairing the hole. It seems to be 4' away from the curb, not our property but Henry stated it is probably our responsibility. Engineers need to be contacted to get a report on the problem.

2.1 Reading of Minutes:

Dan asked council if they had time to read and agreed to the minutes for April. Motion made to accept the minutes by Henry Snyder, second by Wayne Duffield; all in favor 5-0, motion carried.

2.2 Treasurers Report:

Carol Zdrojkowski read the Treasurer's Report for April 2024. The Treasurer Report for per Periods April 1 through April 31, 2024

- General Fund: \$13,449.69
- Capital Reserve/PLGIT Nothing currently.
- Liquid Fuels Fund/PLGIT \$2,410.99
- Deposits \$ 19,473.32
- Bills Paid \$ 14,554.35
- Closing Balance \$18,368.66

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Henry Snyder, Dennis Zdrojkowski seconded, all in favor 5-0, motion carried.

2.4 Payment of Bills:

Carol Zdrojkowski read and presented bills for payment for the month of May 1st/ May 15th 2024. Payment of Bills motion by Henry Snyder, Dennis Zdrojkowski seconded, all in favor 5-0, motion carried.

3. Old Business:

Sanitation is still being looked into. Tim Ruane talked to a Republic company that Carol also talked to them, they said that they cannot meet the \$70.00 by Jones Sanitation. Maybe since the firemen deal with McInchok, they could call for us and have them contact Carol for quote.

4. New Business

4.1 **Dollar General Land Development and Waiver Request.** Vice President of the development Company spoke. He gave a short presentation on the new Dollar General coming to Rt. 22 He said it is going to be a DG Market, which is different than just a Dollar General. He explained the difference to the public and compared it to the Dollar General at New Staton. He needs approval from council to go ahead with the project. Council needs to submit a letter stating the approval. He will also have a hearing with the Variance Board on the different project adjustment needed. He went on to explain the borough ordinance.

Motion was made by Dan for the approval to go ahead with the Conditional on the Dollar General D. G. Market project, Henry Snyder seconded, all in favor, 5-0 motion carried.

4.2 Selective Insurance-

Dan explained the difference with council up grading the insurance policy and gave the quotes for next year. Dan made a motion to accept the upgrade to the insurance, Henry Snyder, second, all in favor 5-0, motion carried.

4.3 Comcast Franchise—

Tim Ruane explained that this has not been renewed in over two years.

Agreement with Comcast to use our property for their service. We get royalties on this.

Brian Cavanaugh would like to review the agreement before we take it to a vote.

Question: Where is their equipment stationed. Tim explained that he thought it was only the cable on the poles. The property in question is handled by Verizon that is not taken care of and they do get letters.

4.4 EMA Director

Dan made a motion to make a change and terminate Donald Deglau as EMA director and solicit the fire department on who may be interested in this position to apply.

Henry seconded, all in favor, Dennis Zdrojkowski opposed; 4-1 motion carried.

Public comment—question reason? We don't agree on where we are at, and we want to go into a different direction.

Question: If he is doing what he is supposed to be doing why does council want to replace him?

Henry Snyder stated that in two years nothing has been presented to council and that he doesn't know if he is doing what he is supposed to do. Question; WHY? Answer; He doesn't attend meetings.

Question: What are we talking about now? We want to make a change to the EMA director. Why?

Dan stated that we want to go in a different direction, and we do not have an emergency plan in place. Dan made a motion to terminate Donald Deglau to go in a different direction.

All in favor, Dennis Zdrojkowski opposed 4-1, motion carried.

4.5 Westmoreland County America 250 Municipal Initiative Celebration

Westmoreland County is asking Municipalities, Boroughs, and Townships for participation and support in the resolution. Wayne Duffield made the motion, Dennis Zdrojkowski seconded, all in favor 5-0, motion carried.

4.6 Variance Board Member

Need to discuss a variance board member to volunteer and it

cannot be a council member. Tom in attendance explained what the variance board does.

Brian also explained that it is a mediation on the various, discussed to see if it qualifies to be approved. Dollar General will be the first Commercial variance to be approved for a while. Most have been residential. We can advertise on the website for the vacancy.

5. Visitors' Comments:

Question: on a resident who goes through stop signs and around stopped school buses on Church St. What can we do about it? Dan advises them to contact the state police at the Kiski Barricks.

Questions: On the missing funds, could you tell us if there are one or two signatures on the Checks? Brian answered there are two and we cannot make any other comments due to the ongoing investigation.

6. Adjournment Daniel Dunmeyer made amotion to adjourn, Dennis Zdrojkowski seconded.
Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Zdrojkowski
Secretary/Treasurer