



**WORMLEYSBURG BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
DECEMBER 13, 2022**

**The monthly meeting of the Wormleysburg Borough Council was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, in Council Chambers. Dr. Deklinski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.**

**The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Deklinski.**

**A moment of silence was observed for the fallen firefighters Assistant Fire Chief Zachary Paris and Marvin Gruber both members of the volunteer New Tripoli Fire Company.**

**Borough Manager Ealer called the Roll.**

<b>President Dr. Joseph Deklinski</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Mayor George O. Preble</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Vice-President Stephen M. Hawbecker</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Mr. George Kahler</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Ms. Sue Stuart</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Mr. Warren Stumpf</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Ms. Margaret Stuski</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Mr. Joshua Plaza</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>Present</b>

**The following individual was also in attendance: West Shore Regional Police Department (WSRPD) Assistant Chief John Friel. Guests present were former Council President Tom Martini, Library Representative Tim Ellis, Pastor Dave Williams, Michael Rudy, Mary Ann Redding, Sue Helm, Lucas Deklinski, Gage and Annie Shackelford, Karen Deklinski and Kathy Kahler. Borough Solicitor Bryan Salzman Esq. was not in attendance.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Resident Michael Rudy extended a brief introduction of himself for the upcoming Council vacancy.**

**Resident MaryAnn Redding extended a brief introduction of herself for the upcoming Council vacancy.**

**Dr. Deklinski thanked both residents for their interest in the Council vacancy. Dr. Deklinski noted that a new Council member will be appointed at the January 10, 2023 meeting.**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**ACTION: On motion made by Ms. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Stumpf the minutes of November 8, 2022, and November 29, 2022, meetings were unanimously approved as presented.**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**The agenda was accepted as presented with no changes.**

#### **BUILDING PLANS**

**There were no building plans.**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**Dr. Deklinski recessed Council and opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m. to receive comments on Ordinance 535 – Act 57 of 2022.**

**There were no comments.**

**Dr. Deklinski closed the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. He then reconvened the Council meeting.**

**ACTION: On motion made by Mr. Kahler and seconded by Ms. Stuart, Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 535 – Act 57 of 2022.**

**Dr. Deklinski recessed Council and opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. to receive comments on Ordinance 536 – Amended Parking Ordinance.**

**There were no comments.**

**Dr. Deklinski closed the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. He then reconvened the Council meeting.**

**ACTION: On motion made by Ms. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Stumpf, Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 536 – Amended Parking Ordinance.**

**Dr. Deklinski recessed Council and opened the public hearing at 7:58 p.m. to receive comments on Ordinance 537 – Codification.**

**There were no comments.**

**Dr. Deklinski closed the public hearing at 7:59 p.m. He then reconvened the Council meeting.**

**ACTION:** On motion made by Ms. Stuski and seconded by Mr. Kahler, Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 537 – Codification.

Dr. Deklinski recessed Council and opened the public hearing at 7:59 p.m. to receive comments on Ordinance 538 – 2023 Tax Ordinance.

There were no comments.

Dr. Deklinski closed the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. He then reconvened the Council meeting.

**ACTION:** On motion made by Mr. Kahler and seconded by Mr. Stuart, Council voted unanimously to adopt Ordinance 538 – 2023 Tax Ordinance.

### **REPORTS FROM APPOINTED BOROUGH OFFICERS**

#### **Borough Manager**

The Borough Manager's monthly report, which was provided electronically, was accepted with no questions.

#### **Borough Treasurer**

The November Treasurer's report, which was provide electronically, was reviewed with no questions.

**ACTION:** On motion made by Ms. Stuski and seconded by Mr. Plaza, the November Treasurer's report was accepted and directed to be filed for audit.

#### **Borough Solicitor**

No report.

#### **Borough Engineer**

The Borough Engineer report was provided electronically summarizing the status of the following projects and tasks to be performed:

- i. **Rupley Park MS4 BMP Project – Finalization of the project plans and submitted the Chapter 105 stream restoration waiver request to PADEP on December 5, 2022.**
- ii. **Sanitary Sewer Grants – Engineer Smith met with a DCED representative to discuss the grant options available to the Borough through both the PA Small Water and Sewer and H2O PA grant programs. The suggestion coming out of that meeting was to pursue two PA Small Water and Sewer grant applications for \$500,000 each which would allow the Borough to use (and maximize) the County ARPA funds as the match for separate sanitary sewer rehab projects. Engineer Smith met with Ms. Stuart and Manager Ealer to review this in more detail. Rettew is preparing two Small Water and Sewer applications for sanitary sewer repairs and lining in the South Front Street area and for the**

South Second Street area. Council will need to approve two resolutions which are required to accompany the applications due December 21st.

- iii. **Stormwater Fee Evaluation – Rettew is using GIS to map and evaluate the impervious coverages throughout the Borough in order to calculate the Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU).**
- iv. **S. Front St. Parking Lot – Rettew completed the topo survey and base mapping and will proceed with the parking lot design. The entrance on S. Front Street will require a PennDOT Highway Occupancy Permit.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Deklinski extending thanks to everyone who had participated in making the Borough’s annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony a huge success. In addition, Dr. Deklinski wanted to convey a special thank you to resident Max Reilly, who had personally saw to all the electrical work necessary for the tree lighting.

Dr. Deklinski expressed his sincere appreciation and gratitude for the opportunity to represent the residents of Wormleysburg Borough by serving on the Wormleysburg Borough Council over the course of the last 22 years. Not only did he have the honor of serving as a Councilmember but also the Borough Council President during his tenor. In addition, Dr. Deklinski thanked Council members, support staff, WSRPD and WSBF for their service and support over the years.

**COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Mr. Hawbecker took a moment to thank Dr. Deklinski for his years of service to the community and wished him well on his retirement.

Mr. Hawbecker provided the report.

**ACTION:** On motion made by Mr. Hawbecker and seconded by Ms. Stuski, Council unanimously approved the distribution of funds as follows (as evidenced by the check registers dated from 11/08/2022 to 12/13/2022).

<u>Accounts</u>	<u>Number of Checks</u>	<u>Distribution Summary</u>
General Fund	62	\$ 90,064.48
Fire Tax Fund	9	\$ 2,843.12
<u>Sewer Fund</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>\$ 60,095.67</u>
<i>Total</i>		<i>\$ 153,003.27</i>

*\*The distribution summary total may include inter-fund transfers in keeping with accounting requirements.*

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor provided his monthly report, which was accepted without questions.

Assistant Chief Friel expressed his appreciation to Dr. Deklinski for his unwavering support of the WSRPD and wished him well on his retirement.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Parks, Public Lands and Recreation Committee, COG**

Ms. Stuski advised that the Parks and Recreation Board's December meeting was held and discussed the scheduling of the 2023 holiday parties. Ms. Stuski noted that the committee will be taking over the annual tree lighting ceremony and it had been suggested to move it to another night than hold it the same night as the annual Christmas party.

Ms. Stuski reported that CapCOG held their November meeting. CapCOG's annual dinner will be held in January and the guest speaker will be PA Treasurer Stacy Garrity.

Ms. Stuski thanked Dr. Deklinski for his years of service within the community and on Council.

### **Sanitary/Highway/Streets/Planning Committee**

Mr. Plaza recommended that we make two (2) applications under the Small Water and Sewer program. Each for \$500,000 with a \$125,000 match for the South Front Street and South Second Street Sanitary Sewer Project.

**ACTION:** On motion made by Mr. Plaza and seconded by Mr. Stuart, Council voted unanimously approve Resolution 2022.07 – DECED Small Water Grant Application and Resolution 2022.08 – DCED PA Small Water Grant Application.

Mr. Plaza thanked Dr. Deklinski for his service on Council and wished him well on his retirement.

### **Service/Property Committee**

Mr. Kahler reported that building renovation planning is ongoing and is anticipating a projected start date to be in January 2023 contingent upon availability of supplies and materials.

Mr. Kahler thanked Dr. Deklinski for his guidance, service to the community and wished him well on his retirement.

### **Codes Enforcement, Zoning, Sidewalks and Shade Trees Committee**

**Ms. Stuart reported that there were no new codes violations for November and all work was follow-ups on open cases.**

**Ms. Stuart expressed her appreciation to Dr. Deklinski for his wisdom and integrity through the years and wished him well on his retirement.**

**Administrative Committee**

**No report.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ACTION: On motion made by Mr. Stumpf and seconded by Ms. Stuart, Council voted unanimously to approve the 2023 Budget.**

**ACTION: On motion made by Ms. Stuski and seconded by Mr. Plaza, Council voted unanimously to approve the 2023 Tonnage Rate Increase with Penn Waste and the Borough to absorb the increase with no rate increase to be passed on to the residents.**

**Ms. Stuski advised that the start times for recreation committee meetings have been amended to 8:00 p.m. and will provide the amended schedule dates to Manager Ealer prior to advertisement.**

**ACTION: On motion made by Ms. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Stumpf, Council voted unanimously to approve the 2023 Meeting Dates and amend the start time for Council meetings and Council of the Whole meetings to 7:00 p.m.**

**ACTION: On motion made by Ms. Stuart and seconded by Mr. Stumpf, Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 2022.06 – 2023 Fee Schedule.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Ms. Stuart read and presented Dr. Deklinski with a proclamation from Representative Sheryl Delozier for his 43 years of service to the community.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION: On motion made by Mr. Kahler and seconded by Mr. Plaza, Council meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Lori Schmidt  
Recording Secretary**

**Deborah Ealer  
Borough Manager**

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