SHAMOKIN DAM BOROUGH COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 2, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Shamokin Dam Borough Council was held on Monday, June 2, 2025, in the municipal building located at 42 West 8th Avenue, Shamokin Dam beginning at 7:00 P.M. President Benner presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marlin Moyer, Karen Roberts, Maria Brandt, Shawn Bingaman, Charlene Bailey, and Mark Benner were present.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

David Sauers was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Manager Edward Hovenstine, Solicitor Robert Slivinski, Police Chief Timothy Bremigen, Secretary LaDawn Leitzel, Mayor Donald Musser, Domenico Barillaro, and David Bobb were present.

The meeting was opened with the "Pledge of Allegiance."

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman to approve the Council minutes of May 5, 2025, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, and approved by all.

2025 Summer Newsletter – Secretary Leitzel presented the summer newsletter to Council with questions regarding the Borough picnic. Council made the decision to have a cost of \$20.00 per person if a borough resident would like to bring a guest to the picnic.

OPEN BUSINESS:

Flood Mitigation – President Benner had nothing to report at this time.

Junior Council Person – A motion was made by Councilman Moyer to adopt Resolution 2025-5, authorizing participation in the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs Junior Council Person Program, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, and approved by all.

Security System – Police Chief Bremigen mentioned that DIR Solutions was backed up due to scheduling so on Tuesday, June 3, 2025, will begin the installation of the security system with a two-three day install. Councilman Bingaman discussed an issue involving a Borough resident harassing the Borough Manager and Borough employees. Police Chief Bremigen recommended installing dash cameras in all borough vehicles. A motion was made by Councilman Moyer to instruct Solicitor Slivinski to send correspondence to prohibit the borough resident from entering onto borough property and contact the Solicitor if you have any business to conduct, seconded by Councilman Bingaman, and approved by all. Council recommended that surveillance cameras be installed around the Borough.

Open Recreation Equipment – Nothing to report.

Central Keystone COG Emails – Nothing to report.

Fire Company, Financial Statements – The fire company has been reporting the financial statements monthly and forwarded current information on the gambling donations to the fire department.

Update Website – Manager Hovenstine spoke with Jeff Margel, IT personnel, and discussed revamping the current website at a cost of \$1,500.00. The Manager stated that the funding could be used from a budgeted equipment item. Council agreed to have Jeff Margel revamped the current website at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00.

OTHER BUSINESS:

PENNDOT Turn Back Program (Two Roads) – Manager Hovenstine and Councilman Bingaman met with Brian Haight, Municipal Services Specialist with PENNDOT to discuss a section of road from Eighth Avenue north to the end of the North Old Trail. The Turn Back program would be where PENNDOT would work on the infrastructure of the road and pave (would involve ADA, handicapped accessible curbs, new signs, new inlets, etc.). This program would be a two-season process. Mr. Haight will present a proposal if Council would consider this program. Manager Hovenstine stated that the other roadway discussed was Orchard Drive.

Resolution 2025-6, PENNDOT 25% cost Sharing of Required Utility Adjustment Related to the Resurfacing of Routes 11/15 Within the Borough – The estimated construction match for this project would be \$9,500.00 plus engineering costs. A motion was made by Councilwoman Brandt, to adopt Resolution 2025-6, PENNDOT cost sharing of utility adjustment related to the resurfacing of Routes 11/15 within the Borough, seconded by Councilman Moyer, and approved by all.

MAYORS REPORT:

Mayor Musser attended a seminar on municipal police department supervision and oversight.

Police Chief Bremigen presented the May 2025 police report.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Evidence Room - Manager Hovenstine reported that the evidence room door and the door separating the police offices have been installed.

Attig Park Pavillion Reroofing - Manager Hovenstine stated that final quotes for reroofing the pavilion at Attig park are anticipated as the estimates to be under \$12,900.00. The quote will include one to reroof with a 30-year shingle and the other to install a 40-year standing seam concealed fastener type roof. A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman, to accept the quote under \$12,900.00 with a smooth finish, seconded by Councilman Moyer, and approved by all. Council recommended a blue color.

Tree Removal, Garden Circle – The Manager has been trying to secure a tree service to remove two large trees that are connected to our park site, near Weller Field, that are in danger of falling into an adjacent neighbor's yard; want to remove ASAP.

2025 Streets – Queen Avenue milling and reconstruction & Maple Street between 9th & 10th Avenue; bids due by August 4th. Fabri Dam Park entrance road reconstruction and new guiderail installation, final bidding format to be established by DCNR with an approximate cost of \$52,000.00.

Little Libraries- The little libraries have been installed at Jack Treas Park, Attig park, and Weller Field.

Golf Tournament – 2025 Sunbury Generation Annual Golf Tournament will be held at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club on Wednesday, June 25th at 10:00 AM, this tournament has raised over \$192,913.00 towards the Borough recreation capital improvement and park maintenance fund since 2007.

Lead & Copper Testing – The Borough is required to test for lead and copper in our distribution system at ta minimum of ten locations ever three years, DEP to finalize the list for this round.

SOLICITORS REPORT:

Solicitor Slivinski reported that the sale of property located at 111 West Eleventh Avenue was finalized on Friday, May 30th.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

General Fund bills in the amount of \$18,437.47, Water and Sewer Fund bills in the amount of \$12,781.23, and PLGIT Police Fund in the amount of \$1,767.82 were presented for payment. A motion was made by Councilman Bingaman to approve payment of the bills as presented, seconded by Vice President Bailey, and approved by all.

David Bobb and Domenico Barillaro left at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council adjourned to an executive session at 8:30 PM to discuss a personnel issue; reconvened at 8:45 PM. A motion was made by Vice President Bailey to authorize Police Chief Bremigen to advertise for a full time/part time police officer, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Bingaman made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:47 PM, seconded by Councilman Moyer, and approved by all.

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Respectfully submitted,

LaDawn D. Leitzel Borough Secretary