

# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## LYKENS BOROUGH COUNCIL

### MINUTES

Lykens Borough Council held a regularly scheduled monthly meeting Monday, December 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers located at 200 Main Street. Gary Bopp, President of Council presided over the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by roll call.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gary Bopp	
Delton Kreiser	Zachary Smeltz
Mike Tiazkun	Carole Wertz

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Joseph Kerwin, Solicitor  
Judith Musick, Treasurer  
Carl Slough Jr., Mayor  
Patricia Barder, Health Officer  
Dale Musick, Citizen  
Bonnie Krepich, Citizen  
Dave Ney, Authority board member  
Terry Sherman, Fire Chief  
Sandy Oxendine, Citizen  
Carla Sauve, Business Owner  
Stanley Engle, Citizen  
Nathan Pandal, Public Works  
Jeanette M. Crabb, Secretary

#### MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Carole Wertz and seconded by Mike Tiazkun the minutes from the November 21, 2016 monthly Council meeting were approved with a correction to the cost of the home town hero flags from \$150.00 to \$175.00 per flag.

CITIZENS: N/A

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

A written report was submitted by Secretary Jeanette M. Crabb.

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Upon a motion by Zachary Smeltz and seconded by Mike Tiazkun the Secretary's Report was accepted.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### LYKENS PLANNING COMMISSION & COG REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### LYKENS BORO AUTHORITY REPORT

The minutes from the November 09, 2016 monthly meeting were given to Council.

At this time President of Council Gary Bopp explained that the Authority board has brought it to his attention that Sally Reiner has missed 3 consecutive monthly meeting with no phone call or written reason. Gary further explained the Authority Board would like to have Kerry Teter appointed to fill the seat.

Upon a motion by Mike Tiazkun and seconded by Carole Wertz, Kerry Teter was appointed to serve on the Board, this term will expire January 1, 2018.

### MAYOR AND POLICE REPORTS

A written report was submitted by Mayor Carl Slough Jr.

Upon a motion by Carole Wertz and seconded by Mike Tiazkun the Mayor and Police Reports were accepted.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE AND BUDGET REPORT

Upon a motion by Carole Wertz and seconded by Mike Tiazkun the advertising of the 2015 Audit was accepted.

Upon a motion by Delton Kreiser and seconded by Carole Wertz the Finance Committee and Budget Reports were accepted.

### PROPERTY AND SUPPLIES REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

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### PARKS AND RECREATION REPORTS

There was nothing to report at this time.

### PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Councilman Zachary Smeltz reported the new Police SUV has been ordered and should be complete and ready for service by March.

Upon a motion by Mike Tiazkun and seconded by Zachary Smeltz permission was given to move forward with breaking down and selling the Police Cruiser.

At this time a short discussion took place on having Solicitor Kerwin look into a False Alarm Ordinance. Fire Chief, Terry Sherman explained this type of Ordinance would be helpful in preventing residents and business owners from putting off repairing or having an alarm system repaired when the false alarm is a result of a simple fix.

Mayor Carl Slough Jr. further explained the sole purpose is to prevent neglect by the owner which causes occurring false alarms which is a waste of valuable fire fighters time.

Upon a motion by Delton Kreiser and seconded by Carole Wertz the Public Safety Report was accepted.

### INSURANCE AND PENSION REPORTS

There was nothing to report at this time.

### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### ENGINEER'S REPORT

A written report was submitted.

Upon a motion by Mike Tiazkun and seconded by Zachary Smeltz the Engineer's report was accepted.

### SALARIES AND BILLS

A written report was submitted by Treasurer Judith Musick.

Upon a motion by Carole Wertz and seconded by Zachary Smeltz permission to pay the bills listed below was given as well as the Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted.

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1. Glace Associates in the amount of \$164.00 for their work in connection with Home Development for the installation of the parking lot by Ciaos.
2. Glace Associates in the amount of \$135.00 for the subdivision of Keith Bingaman.
3. Glace Associates in the amount of \$16,526.07 for Rattling Creek flood related issues.
4. Light - Heigel Associates in the amount of \$966.00 for Property Maintenance and Zoning Administration.
5. L. Samuel Deegan, CPA in the amount of \$6,200.00 for 2015 Audit.
6. Joseph Kerwin in the amount of \$19,950.00 for legal fees over and above the retainer.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Kerwin reported he is working with Max Stoner from Glace Associates and Joe Rupe from PEMA/FEMA to get the issues resolved with DEP in regards to the flood related work along Rattling Creek.

Solicitor Kerwin said he continues to work with the guy who is interested in the old school.

Solicitor Kerwin will send a letter to the property owner of Main Street regarding the ongoing yard sale set up on the sidewalk.

Upon a motion by Zachary Smeltz and seconded by Mike Tiazkun the proposal submitted by Valley Waste for trash hauling in the Borough was accepted. The new contract will be for three years beginning January 1, 2017. There will be a quarterly trash increase from \$70.00 a quarter to \$73.00, orange bags will increase from \$3.50 to \$4.00.

Upon a motion by Mike Tiazkun and seconded by Delton Kreiser the Solicitor's Report was accepted.

### OPEN ITEMS:

1. Glen Park/Pool Area- (waiting on permits)
2. Installation of the basketball hoops.

Delton Kreiser asked when will the work be completed at the alley by the old furniture store. (Kelly's) Nathan Pandal said once the weather breaks and he can get things coordinated the repairs will be made.

## ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned by a motion by Carole Wertz and seconded by Zachary Smeltz at 7:35 P.M.

Jeanette M. Crabb

Borough Secretary