

# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## LYKENS BOROUGH COUNCIL

### MINUTES

Lykens Borough Council held a regularly scheduled monthly meeting Monday, March 18, 2019 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	Carl Slough Sr.
Terry Sherman	Kerry Teter
Delton Kreiser	Carole Wertz

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Joseph Kerwin, Solicitor  
Patricia Barder, Health Officer  
Carl Slough Jr., Mayor  
Bonnie Krepich, Citizen  
Glenn Sedesse, Citizen  
Robert Schreffler, Authority Chairman  
Leroy Zimmerman  
Nathan Pental, Publics Works  
Michael Kattner, Northern Dauphin Library  
Jeanette M. Crabb, Secretary

#### MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. and seconded by Kerry Teter the minutes from the February 18, 2019 Monthly Council Meeting were approved.

**CITIZENS:** Chris Rowe at this time addressed Council. Chris said he would like to express his opposition to extending the single-track bike trails. Chris said he lives in Dauphin currently but is from Lykens. Chris said he comes to Lykens often because he walks the trails often and enjoys the wild life.

Chris continued to explain that Lykens has one of the largest tracks of wilderness trails and he feels Lykens should be very proud of that and should keep the trails that way.

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Chris further said he has found that the bike trails create trash and the bike riders do not stick to the trails, which is not good for the animals. He further said this contributes and adds to pollution.

Chris further expressed concerns that there are no provisions in place and this allows the bikers to go anywhere anytime they want.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The total deposited for the month of February was \$40,761.35.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Terry Sherman permission was given to have Hershocks replace the door in the senior center in the amount of \$3,649.00 as well as the Borough front door in the amount of \$152.00.

The 2019 Liquid Fuels allocation was received in the amount of \$67,960.13.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. the Secretary's Report was accepted.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

## LYKENS PLANNING COMMISSION & COG REPORT

Patricia Barder reported this week's COG meeting will be held in Berrysburg. Lykens will host the monthly COG meeting in April.

Patricia reported the following topics were discussed at last month's meeting.

1. Kristy Richie a representative from Comcast was present. Kristy informed everyone that Comcast still host Comcast Cares Day and if anyone is interested in the program, they can let her know.
2. A representative from Tobash's Office was present and said the State Police issue is on the books again, however they do not expect the issue to pass.
3. There was a discussion regarding the Amish buggies and how they ruin the roads. It is possible that buggies may see inspection requirements in the future.
4. Upper Paxton Township asked if any Municipalities are willing to send helpers for the Recycling Center once a month on a Saturday.
5. Patricia further reported this week COG will have the new District 8 representative Rick Levan at the meeting to introduce himself to everyone.

Upon a motion by Terry Sherman and seconded by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. the Lykens Planning Commission and COG Reports were accepted.

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### HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### LYKENS BORO AUTHORITY REPORT

The minutes from the Authority's February 13, 2019 monthly meeting were given to Council.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Terry Sherman, Ty Buffington was appointed to fill the vacant seat on the Authority Board. This term will run 2019 through January 1, 2021.

### MAYOR AND POLICE REPORTS

Mayor Carl Slough Jr. reported Chief Boyer will be on administrative duty by the end of the week since he is recovering from surgery. Mayor Slough said the new part time officer Kyle will be assisting Nate this week until John returns.

A discussion took place at this time regarding the pricing to have electricity installed at the pavilion in the Borough park. There was a quote submitted by Lentz Contracting in the amount of \$9,635.00.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. and seconded by Kerry Teter the issue was tabled at this time.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. and seconded by Kerry Teter the Mayor's and Police Reports were accepted.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE AND BUDGET REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### PROPERTY AND SUPPLIES REPORT

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Carole Wertz permission was given to advertise for a part time summer helper and bring Emily Bixler back. Emily will be available from early May though early July.

President of Council, Gary Bopp thanked Delton for the work he has been doing on the Borough storage closet.

Mayor Slough reported there are some curbs mostly on Market Street that the Borough will need to replace since they were broken by past employees.

Nate reported he will be getting a road project together for the April's meeting.

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Upon a motion by Delton Kreiser and seconded by Kerry Teter the Property and Supplies Reports were accepted.

### PARKS AND RECREATION

Upon a motion by Delton Kreiser and seconded by Carole Wertz, Council would like the broken spring rider in the park to be dug up to see what is needed to repair it or if the spring rider will need to be replaced. Council will make a decision at next month's meeting.

Carl Slough Sr. reported there has been a second basketball hoop damaged and he feels something needs put in the newspaper or in a newsletter to get a message out. Carl further reported on several occasions there has been damage to picnic tables as well.

Patricia Barder said she knows for a fact the kids backed a truck up and used a chain to try and pull the basketball hoop out. Patricia said she will see if she can get a name.

Solicitor Kerwin advised Council that he feels it is the cost of doing business, fix them and move on. Solicitor Kerwin further said the basketball courts are always full and we can not help there are bad people around.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. and seconded by Carole Wertz permission was given to look into having the basketball hoops welded.

President of Council, Gary Bopp reported cameras are needed and we need to move forward with looking into pricing.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Carole Wertz the Parks and Recreation Reports were accepted.

### PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

There was nothing to report at this time.

### INSURANCE AND PENSION REPORTS

Robin Straub will be attending the April 15, 2019 monthly meeting to review the property insurance renewal. MIB will be conducting a field study to update property valuations. MIB requires survey's to be completed every 8-10 years. The last survey the Borough had completed was in 2008. The cost to complete the survey is estimated at \$1,400.00.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Delton Kreiser the Insurance and Pension Reports were accepted.

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### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR'S REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### ENGINEER'S REPORT

There was nothing to report at this time.

### SALARIES AND BILLS

Ordinary and necessary expenditures that have been paid for the month of February are included on the Treasurer's report.

Upon a motion by Terry Sherman and seconded by Kerry Teter the Treasurer's Report was accepted. There was no permission to pay this month.

### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Kerwin reported he had several items to discuss.

1. Solicitor Kerwin reported the county was awarded grant funding to have the old school tore down and while touring it they were approached by a private company that showed interest in the building. The county is waiting for the company to get back in touch with them.
2. Solicitor Kerwin informed Council that the Borough was contacted by PP&L regarding tearing down poles and placing a modular up in Wiconisco Township. Solicitor Kerwin reported Lykens is not affected like Wiconisco Township but we must be informed to meet their requirements.
3. Solicitor Kerwin further reported at the Revitalization meeting a discussion took place regarding all the coal dirt coming from the coal plant. Solicitor Kerwin will write a letter to DEP.
4. Solicitor Kerwin reported he sent an email to the contact from the Legion but has not received a response.
5. Solicitor Kerwin further reported he did not get a response from the Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee either.

Upon a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Carole Wertz the Solicitor's Report was accepted.

At this time 7:55 P.M. an Executive Session took place regarding legal matters.

#### **Open Items:**

1. Line painting. (spring time)
2. Borough/Authority Pole Building – Pursuing placing a pole building by the sewer plant.

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3. Edward Street Bridge Replacement - The loan application through the Dauphin County Infrastructure Bank has been submitted.
4. Ordinance review of Chapter 7.
5. Storage closet – Under construction
6. Electricity pavilion- The estimate came in at \$9,635.00, issue tabled at this time.
7. Playground equipment

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. and seconded by Terry Sherman permission was given to throw the broken white board in chambers away.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned by a motion by Kerry Teter and seconded by Vice Chairman Carl Slough Sr. at 8:23 P.M.

Jeanette M. Crabb

Borough Secretary