

Borough of Gordon
Council Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, January 9, 2023. Council President Jeff Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Cathy Moyer held roll call. Council members Richard Korn, Tracy Hughes, and Shannon Dumboski were present providing a quorum. Solicitor Christopher Reidlinger, and Secretary Cathy Moyer were also in attendance with one member of the public present. Council Member, Anthony Loftus, Operations Manager George Troutman and Mayor George Brocious were not present.

Public Comment: Leo Rauber asked about the status of the Streambank Project. President Jeffrey Hoffman informed him that the project behind the church is scheduled to be started this month but was delayed. They will be starting work at the end of the month and as for the wall behind his house, George Troutman has been applying for grants because they do not have enough money to do both projects.

Minutes: Minutes from the December 5, 2022 monthly meeting were presented.

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of December 5, 2022 monthly meeting.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Minutes from the December 19, 2022 Budget Meeting were presented.

A motion was made to approve the Budget meeting minutes of December 19, 2022.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

Treasurer Report: Secretary Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of December. The Borough received an income of \$10,810.87 and had expenses of \$13,224.61. The General Fund had a month end balance of \$82,089.47 and the Motor Licensing Fund had a month end balance of \$31,452.47.

A motion was made to approve the 2023 mileage rate of 65.5 per mile.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

A motion was made to approve a 2% raise for the Operations Manager to a salary of \$46,920.00 with 2 weeks of vacation, 3 PTO days, and a 4% matching pension.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Richard Korn

A motion was made to approve a \$.50/hour raise for the Secretary to \$18.00/ hour and 8 vacation days.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report of December as presented.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Payment of Invoices: A motion was made to pay the invoices for January.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Solicitor's Report:

The only thing the Solicitor had was concerning the 911 addressing issue in the Borough. In the absence of the Operations Manager, the matter was tabled for the next meeting.

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: Council President, Jeffrey Hoffman, read the police report for December and the 2022 Year-End Report.

Fire Company: None

Code Enforcement Report:

1. Approval of Wages: None
2. Update: None
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Operations Manager Report:

A motion was made to allow the Operations Manager to purchase chains for the dump truck which would be paid for from the Motor Licensing Account.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

Council was informed that the Operations Manager needed to purchase a new toilet for one of the restrooms as one of the toilets has a crack and is leaking. President Jeffrey Hoffman had already approved the purchase.

Update on Streambank Project: It was once again noted that the start of the project behind the church was delayed but will hopefully begin at the end of the month.

Update on Park Project: The Secretary noted that George Troutman planned to install the telephone poles last Friday, but she wasn't sure if he did or not.

Old Business: None

New Business:

It was noted that the Borough received a thank you from the Ashland Public Library for the donation that was made.

A thank you was received from Helping Harvest for the donation Entech Engineering made on behalf of the Borough. It is unknown how much the donation was.

Public Comment: Mr. William Kushlick was present wishing to address the Code Enforcement Officer about a complaint he had regarding a neighbor and a stone wall she had erected between their properties. In the absence of the Code Enforcement Officer, he explained the situation to the Solicitor. Attorney Reidlinger did not wish to comment on the matter until he spoke to the Code Enforcement Officer. The Secretary texted the Code Enforcement Officer and was informed that a NOV had been issued. The matter will be followed up at the next meeting.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:30P.M.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Tracy Hughes

The next meeting will be held on February 6, 2023.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer February 6, 2023

