

Borough of Gordon
Council Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, June 3, 2024. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call were held. Council members President Jeffrey Hoffman, Vice-President Tracy Hughes, Jackie Hughes, and Richard Korn were present providing a quorum. Operations Manager, George Troutman, Secretary Cathy Moyer, Mayor George Brocious and Solicitor Chris Reidlinger were in attendance along with two members of the public. Shannon Dumboski was not in attendance.

Public Comment: None

Minutes:

Minutes from the May 6, 2024 monthly meeting were presented.

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of May 6, 2024, monthly meeting.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Tracy Hughes

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of May 2024. The Borough received an income of \$68,771.59 and the expenses for the month were \$23,797.24. The General Fund had a month-end balance of \$171,649.19, the Motor Licensing Fund had a month-end balance of \$33,638.06. The Community Hall Fund had a month-end balance of 3,938.39. The Park Savings account had a month-end balance of \$5,219.96. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Payment of Invoices: A motion was made to pay the invoices for June 2024.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Solicitor's Report:

Resolution 2024-03 regulating dead and decaying trees was considered and a motion was made to adopt the resolution.

Motion: Jackie Hughes Seconded: Tracy Hughes

The timeframe for the 911 addressing meeting was discussed. Letters will be sent out to the public in July.

Solicitor Reidlinger reported that we may receive the money from the North Schuylkill Landfill Association within 30 days. The contract with Butler Township and the formation of the Regional Police Force is due to begin January 1, 2025, but no word yet on how Gordon will be affected.

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: Mayor George Brocious read the police report for May. There were 17 calls and complaints.

Fire Company: George Brocious reported that the 5K went well. He also asked George Troutman about the cost for replacing the windows in the office and AMVETS room. He said there is a window in the truck bay that is leaking. Mr. Troutman will get an estimate for the repair.

Code Enforcement Report:

The Code Enforcement Officer reported that the Leitzel property has been cleaned up, but he issued other notice of violations and citations in town. The unlicensed and unregistered vehicles cars have been removed from Biddle and Gordon Streets. There has been no on 415 Hobart Street. He also requested that a part-time code officer be hired for doing notice of violations on grass issues.

Operations Manager Report:

The Operations Manager, George Troutman, informed Council that he would like to start work on the bridge in the park in June.

He asked that Richard Babb be paid for 6 hours at \$15.00/hour for work he did helping with street sweeping. A motion was made to pay Richard Babb \$90.00 for the month of May.

Motion: Richard Korn Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Mr. Troutman let Council know that he now has been getting prices on new pickup trucks. He found an F-350 at Kovach's for \$59,149.86. This includes the plow. He requested that they allow him to do a promise to buy. A motion was made to have him do a promise to buy but the truck will not be available for a few months.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Public Comment:

Cheryl Varndell questioned the business that is cutting down trees on Royer Street. She was under the impression that trees could not be cut down on that property as it is in the flood plain. Mr. Troutman said that trees can be cut down in a flood plain and there is nothing he can do.

Lee Faust questioned the fence on the top of the wall at the creek behind the church needing a repair.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 P.M.

Motion: Jackie Hughes Seconded: Richard Korn

The next meeting will be held on July 1, 2024.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer July 1, 2024

