

Borough of Gordon
Council Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of Gordon Borough Council was held Monday, November 6, 2023. Council President Jeffrey Hoffman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Cathy Moyer held roll call. Council members Jeffrey Hoffman, Tracy Hughes, Shannon Dumboski, and Jackie Hughes were present providing a quorum. Council member Richard Korn was not in attendance. Mayor George Brocious, Solicitor Christopher Reidlinger, Operations Manager, George Troutman and Secretary Cathy Moyer were also in attendance along with four members of the public.

Public Comment:

A local resident, Lori Shoffler, complained that her neighbor, Shannon Dumboski, had issues with how many vehicles her family was parking on Hobart Street. She did not feel she could or should have to park at the rear of her home. The council heard her complaint but informed her that they had no jurisdiction over where people could or couldn't park. It was also suggested that she show consideration for the other residents in that area by the number of vehicles she parks on the street.

Minutes: Minutes from the October 2, 2023 monthly meeting were presented.

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of October 2, 2023 monthly meeting.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Cathy Moyer gave the financial report for the month of October. The Borough received an income of \$10,822.20 and had expenses of \$22,533.40. The General Fund had a month end balance of \$121,995.08, the Motor Licensing Fund had a month end balance of \$19,102.37. The Community Hall Fund is \$3,263.09. The Park Savings account stands at \$3,875.11. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Shannon Dumboski

The Treasurer also presented the Council with a proposed version of the 2024 budget. She asked that once the Financial Committee met and made any needed revisions, she be allowed to advertise the budget so that it can be approved at the December meeting. A motion was made to advertise the budget once it is finalized.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Payment of Invoices: A motion was made to pay the invoices for November 2023.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Reidlinger noted that citations have been filed on 706 Hobart Street in a continuation of their FEMA violations. Also, Tracy, Jackie and himself would be meeting with the 911 addressing.

Mayor's Report:

Police Report: Mayor George Brocious read the police report for October. There were 21 calls and complaints.

Fire Company:

Mayor Brocius informed Council that the Fire Company toured Universal Forest Products. UFP is currently doing a fundraiser selling Chik-Filet sandwiches. The goal is to raise \$10,000.00 for the Fire Company. Whatever is not received from the sale, UFP will donate to the Fire Company.

The Fire Company did their annual backflow test with Dusty's H20.

He informed George Troutman that it has been noticed that it appears to be wet at the UFP sign at the top of the road.

Mr. Brocius also discussed the AMVETS memorial at the school lot. The AMVETS would like to take the monuments, flagpole, and cannon from the Borough building to the school lot as part of the memorial. President Jeffrey Hoffman asked that they be given plans for the memorial.

Code Enforcement Report:

Code Enforcement Officer, George Troutman presented Council with copies of citations he filed on 706 Hobart Street

Operations Manager Report:

Mr. Troutman requested that the Borough pay Dave Korn \$300.00 for the use of equipment and his services in paving.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Mr. Troutman requested that the Borough pay Richard Babb for 5 hours of labor at \$15.00/hour helping him patch potholes.

Motion: Tracy Hughes Seconded: Jackie Hughes

Continuing on the subject of the AMVETS Memorial at the school, he noted that he felt the putting electricity at the school would cost around \$1,500.00.

He also suggested putting a pavilion on the lot at a cost of \$5,000.00. This item was then tabled for the next meeting.

Mr. Troutman also informed Council that he put new camera wires up to try and make them more effective.

Old Business: Secretary Cathy Moyer informed Council that they received a thank you from the Ashland Library for the \$50.00 donation that the Borough made.

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M.

Motion: Shannon Dumboski Seconded: Jackie Hughes

The next meeting will be held on December 4, 2023.

*All motions unanimous unless noted.

Attest: _____ Cathy Moyer, Secretary /Treasurer December 4, 2023

