

BOROUGH OF JEWETT CITY
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 7, 2019

PRESENT:

WARDEN Timothy Sharkey, BURGESS Laurie Sorder, absent BURGESSES Laura Laidley and James Krueger. No quorum.

ALSO PRESENT:

TREASURER Linda Cote, Leona Sharkey and Louis Demicco III.

Borough Clerk Valerie Pudvah swore in Warden Sharkey, Burgess Sorder and Treasurer Linda Cote. Warden Sharkey swore in Valerie Pudvah as Borough Clerk.

Warden Sharkey presented to Alan Geer former Warden a plaque with thanks for all the years of service for the Borough of Jewett City.

Warden Sharkey noted that we do not have a quorum for the meeting tonight, but since Chris Wardrop from USI Insurance came quite a distance to discuss the renewal of the insurance policy he would be allowed to speak. Also, Tina Falck Senior Center Director was present to speak on what is going on with the Senior Center.

Tina Falck noted that the Cleanup day was a success. There was not as much as last year's total of 37 ton but it was around 20 something she has not gotten the exact figure yet. Alan Geer noted that a lot was brought last year so that is a possible reason why there was less this year.

The center has applied for a 5310 Dept. of Transportation Grant for a 9 passenger van. They are waiting to hear on that.

The Dial-A- Ride Grant Program they will be involved in because that is a 24/7 program and it helps out when the Senior Center and SEAT cannot.

They have also started on the Renter's Rebate Program with the Assessor's Office. They are beginning with Ashland Manor, McCluggage Manor and Ledgwood in May to help fill out the applications. In June they will be helping out on site on Thursdays.

Also, the Zazz Band will be back to entertain for the 2nd year.

Tina noted that they have given out 5 scholarships this year. 1 to the Senior Class (senior citizen award) and 4 to the eighth grade.

Lastly they are having a Woodstock celebration on August 15, 2019 (Thursday) to celebrate the 50 years since Woodstock. There will be a dinner, dancing and other activities as well. The week before they are planning on having tie dye activity (shirts etc.).

Chris Wardrop first congratulated the members of the board on the election. He also thanked Alan Geer for all the years of his public service to the borough.

He spoke on things that are going on within the insurance business and how to deal with things that are going on. He noted that boroughs and towns are targets for lawsuits. There is an increase in rates in

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parts of the country because of windstorms, hail storms, floods etc. The program that we have is very good, our deductibles are much lower than others. USI has training program on line, he will send to Leona and Ken Sullivan information on what this training is about.

Overall things are looking good for the Borough and DPU. He spoke on coverage for events that may be held in the borough. Warden Sharkey asked about police coverage for events and would they be able to answer that. He suggested to find out who the legal parties are and he would be more than welcome to contact the police and to find out the requirements.

Leona noted that it was found in the police contract that we are required to have an additional million dollars for the law enforcement policy coverage. This would require an additional \$1,536.00 for the premium. That would bring the total up to \$8250.00 are year.

Chris thanked everyone for listening to him.

It was suggested at this time to call the other 2 Burgesses to do a telephone conference call so that a vote could be taken on item #2 under New Business since we would like to have the flags for Memorial Day. Burgess Krueger was on the telephone.

Warden Sharkey called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Roll call was taken.

Warden Sharkey , Burgess Sorder and Burgess Krueger by telephone.

Motion was made by Burgess Sorder to accept the quote of \$2,284. 26 from Display Sales for flags, poles, toppers and never furl for light posts, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

Burgess Sorder made motion to have a Special Meeting for Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 6:00pm to discuss the budget and to set the date for the Freeman's meeting, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

Warden Sharkey made motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Submitted by,

Valerie Pudvah, Clerk