

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Sykesville Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Michele Yamrick. In attendance were Michele Yamrick, President; Elaine Fike, Vice President; Nathan Alvetro, President ProTem; Council Members: Kurt Kister, Ron Morris, Gabriel Sweka, and Don Zimmerman; Mayor Gail Cunningham. Absent was Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito.

Visitors present were Tom Kundrich and Brian Williams (Crew Foreman).

VISITORS CONCERNS:

Tom Kundrich presented to Council an update on the SCBA Team (with handouts). The mission of the SCBA (Sykesville Community Betterment Association) is to improve the quality of life for the residents of our town. He informed that they have formed a committee (currently welcoming members as well) and also obtained a 501(c)(3). He informed that the committee has been searching for funds and provided a list (included in the handout); these funds will help in renovating the bank building which was cost estimated \$200,000 back in 2018/2019. He informed getting started, we have to be recognized as a credible origination and board members need to participate greatly in research and grant funding. Mr. Kundrich plans on having a meeting the beginning of 2022. A copy of the full presentation will be located at the Borough Office.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion to approve December 6, 2021 minutes was made by Councilman Don Zimmerman and seconded by President ProTem Nate Alvetro. Motion carried.

As discussed last meeting, Don Reid presented Secretary Neale a receipt from 1977 for 354 North Park Street security deposit (\$50). He is requesting a refund. Secretary Neale confirmed that he is current on his bills and also informed that there is no time frame on refunding customers. A motion was made by Councilman Gabriel Sweka and seconded by Councilman Kurt Kister to refund Don Reid \$50 from the Security Deposit Account. Motion carried.

President Michele Yamrick informed that at the last meeting, Council did not make a motion to advertise the Water, Sewer, and Liquid Fuels budgets. She

stated that she had Secretary Neale advertise them all (motion needs ratified). A motion was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by Councilman Gabriel Sweka to advertise the proposed 2022 General, Sewer, Water, and Liquid Fuels budgets. Motion carried.

Two quotes were presented to Council for a new computer monitor and tower with all hardware, software, set up, and installation (detailed copies located at the office). Carlson Technologies presented a quote of \$1,701.72 and BMP Systems presented a quote of \$1,460. A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilman Gabriel Sweka to approve and accept Carlson Technologies, Inc. quote of \$1,701.72. Motion carried.

Councilman Don Zimmerman asked if anyone has heard anything about the railroad crossing being installed. Councilman Kister reiterated that they are backed up and installation can be anywhere from now until 2023.

Councilman Zimmerman also stated that he talked with Bill Setree about the North Park Street project and he informed that it should be going out for bid this (early) spring.

CREW FOREMAN REPORT:

Foreman Williams requested a check of \$185 to be made out to DEP for Michael Gamble's water license. He informed that Travis Long (JHA) has signed off. A motion was made by Councilman Kister and seconded by Councilman Morris to send a check of \$185 to the DEP for obtaining Mr. Gamble's license. Motion carried.

COMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works:

Nothing to report.

Finance/Personnel:

November financial reports were presented to all members from Tuning Accounting. No questions or comments were made.

A motion was made by Vice President Fike and seconded by Councilman Sweka to accept and pay Tuning Accounting \$1,031.04 for their November monthly retainer fee. Motion carried.

President Yamrick presented to Council a commercial and workers' compensation insurance proposal prepared by Swift Kennedy. A copy of the full package will be located in the Borough Office. The total commercial package premium for the year 2022 is \$16,388 (increased \$27) and workers' compensation for the year 2022 is \$17,584 (increase \$2,418). A motion was made by Councilman Zimmerman and seconded by Councilman Sweka to accept and approve these rates. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Sweka and seconded by Vice President Fike to approve Brian Williams paid time off for December 14th (8 hours) and 15th (4 hours). Motion carried.

Ordinance, Health & Safety

Councilman Zimmerman stated that the junk vehicle at 19 South Park Street is still there. Mayor Cunningham informed that OIC Campbell is aware of this and was told that he is working on the vehicle.

Utilities:

Vice President Fike informed Councilman Morris that a street light is out by 9 North Park Street. Councilman Morris will call to get this issue resolved.

Parks, Recreation and Planning:

Councilman Kister informed Council that he received a cost estimate of \$250 per tree from Dutty's to cut the trees at the park. He also informed that there are 19 trees that will need cut and this will need to be done every 5 years. A motion was made by Councilman Sweka and seconded by Councilman Morris to have Dutty's Tree Service cut the trees at the park for a total of \$4,750. Motion carried. This will be split 50/50 between the Park Fund and General Fund.

Councilman Kister informed that at the last meeting, it was mentioned about the SCIA taking over everything at the park (finances, booking, decorating, upkeep, etc.). Council questioned if it would be an issue changing the names on the Park Fund Account so soon. Secretary Neale will call the bank and see if there would be an issue before Council makes a final decision.

Police, Mayor, Fire, Code Enforcement:

Attached are the October and November police summary reports.

Solicitor Gianvito:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Councilman Zimmerman and seconded by Councilman Kister to give Nick Yamrick (water consultant) a \$100 Walmart gift card as a Christmas bonus. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No executive session took place.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Gabriel Sweka and seconded by Vice President Elaine Fike. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Jaysa Neale
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

Sykesville Borough Monthly Police Summary October 2021

Incidents Handled	9
Traffic Citations Issued	6
Criminal Citations Issued	0
Borough Ordinance Violations/Warning	1
Written Warnings Issued	12
Parking Tickets Issued/Warnings Issued	0
Summary Offenses	6
Misdemeanor Offenses	0
Felony Offenses	0
Charges Filed at Magistrates	6
EMS/Police/Fire/Assist	2
Court Hearings	1
Miles Patrolled	418

Sykesville Borough Monthly Police Summary November 2021

Incidents Handled	5
Traffic Citations Issued	3
Criminal Citations Issued	0
Borough Ordinance Violations/Warning	0
Written Warnings Issued	7
Parking Tickets Issued/Warnings Issued	0
Summary Offenses	3
Misdemeanor Offenses	0
Felony Offenses	0
Charges Filed at Magistrates	3
EMS/Police/Fire/Assist	1
Court Hearings	0
Miles Patrolled	221