

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: Ron Morris and Sherry Pruzinsky, Mayor Gail Cunningham; Solicitor Nicholas Gianvito. Absent were Councilman Don Reid and Councilman Gabriel "Butch" Sweka.

Visitors present were Ben Destefan (Courier Express), Justin Felgar (Punxsy Spirit), Suzanne Haag, Barbara Sonnie, Frank Sonnie, Stephen Thomas, Jenn Marsico, Gordon Haag, Michael Hoare, Monica Walker (Assistant Secretary), and Earl Campbell (Sykesville Police).

President Michele Yamrick presented the 2024 Citizen of the Year Award to Frank Sonnie for his dedication to the town of Sykesville for many years.

VISITORS CONCERNS:

Suzanne Haag asked for "15 mph" signs to be placed on VanNess Street. Council agreed to purchase signs for VanNess Street.

Gordon Haag asked if there were any progress for jakebraking coming down off the hill. OIC Campbell informed that it is a state road and that a study was performed by PennDot and their determination was that jakebraking was allowed. He suggested calling PennDot to request for another study to be done (anyone can complain). Mr. Haag also informed Council that there has been some thievery in town and stated to lock up your belongings.

Michael Hoare was present to request an address for a roadway between 212 and 214 East Main Street. Solicitor Gianvito informed that he has drafted a resolution for Council to review and choose a name for that roadway (this will be discussed later in the meeting).

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Sykesville Public Library is requesting the 2024 allotment of \$3,000 to be released. A motion was made by President ProTem Nate Alvetro and seconded by Vice President Elaine Fike to release the 2024 allotment of \$3,000 to the library. Motion carried.

Maureen Kovalchick requested reimbursement of \$35 for a Tax Collecting training meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded

by Councilwoman Sherry Pruzinsky to reimburse Maureen Kovalchick \$35 for her training. Motion carried.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

A motion to approve May 20, 2024, minutes was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by President ProTem Nate Alvetro. Motion carried.

President Yamrick presented/opened two bids for the project advertised for seal coating. Hager Paving for a total of \$42,284.55 and Russell Standard Corporation for a total of \$34,990.41. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Morris and seconded by President ProTem Alvetro to accept and approve Russell Standard Corporation bid of \$34,990.41 pending Marc Skarbek's (PennDot) review. Motion carried. Since it was estimated to be \$29,601, Council determined that the excess money will be split between the Water, Sewer, and General Funds.

President Yamrick presented quotes for purchasing new Borough Crew shirts with the reflective stripes (5/each). They are as follows:

1. Xtreme Wear presented a quote of \$22.70/shirt (s-xl) for CS401 Safety Yellow/Reflective. 50% cotton and 50% polyester.
2. Standard Pennant Company Inc. presented a quote of \$374.25 for 15 CS401 safety green/reflective shirts. 100% polyester.
3. Dan's ProShop presented a quote of \$20/shirt (safety green/reflective). 100% polyester.

A motion was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by President ProTem Nate Alvetro to purchase the 50/50 blend pocket tees with the reflective striped-safety yellow with Borough logo for \$22.70/shirt (CS401) from Xtreme Wear. Motion carried. Council instructed to purchase five shirts per crew member (total 15).

Secretary Neale informed that she submitted the CDBG application to the County to replace/install new sidewalks. She informed Council that the project will have to be narrowed down to a specific location due to limited funds. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Ron Morris and seconded by Councilwoman Sherry Pruzinsky to apply to replace/install sidewalks on Main Street from Dr. Fugate Drive to Park Street. Motion carried.

CREW FOREMAN REPORT: President ProTem Nate Alvetro spoke on his behalf.

The project (grant of \$112,000 from DCED) for Kaufman Drive and Sykes Alley has been modified to milling of asphalt, asphalt binder, and asphalt wedge curb (estimated cost is \$126,585). This project has been advertised for bids and the opening of bids will be at the July 1, 2024, regulatory Council Meeting.

Pest Management were in Sykesville and finished up the vegetation spray last week. An invoice has not yet been received.

Foreman Williams requested that Nick Yamrick cover Michael Gamble's hours while he is away on vacation (end of this week-next week). A motion was made by Councilman Morris and seconded by Vice President Fike to allow Nick Yamrick to work a 40-hour week while Michael Gamble is on vacation. Motion carried. President Yamrick abstained.

#### COMITTEE REPORTS:

##### Public Works:

President ProTem Alvetro informed Council that the curb on Main Street that was damaged by a car accident (located by 107 E. Main) is the Borough's responsibility to fix as PennDot does not own the curb, just the road. He stated that the Borough Crew could fix the curb or estimates from contractors could be obtained. Council informed President ProTem Alvetro to obtain estimates to repair the curb.

##### Finance/Personnel:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pruzinsky and seconded by President ProTem Alvetro to accept and pay J&M Accounting & Tax Services Inc. \$1,205.60 for their monthly retainer for May 2024. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Morris and seconded by Vice President Fike to approve Brian Williams paid time off for May 17<sup>th</sup> and May 31<sup>st</sup> (4 hrs.). Motion carried.

##### Ordinance, Health & Safety

Nothing to report.

##### Utilities:

Nothing to report.

##### Parks, Recreation and Planning:

President ProTem Nate Alvetro informed that the Little League will pay for the paper towels and toilet paper for Stahl Park restrooms but will not pay for the cleaning supplies. Council stated that all the cleaning supplies will be purchased through the Park & Recreation Account.

Police, Mayor, Fire, Code Enforcement:

A motion was made by Councilman Morris and seconded by Vice President Fike to close East Liberty Street from Long Alley to Larson's residence on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 P.M to August 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. due to the Gun Raffle. Motion carried.

President ProTem Alvetro informed OIC Campbell that he has received complaints from residents about vehicles/ATVs speeding and not stopping at Stop signs by the Dollar General.

Vice President Fike informed OIC Campbell that there is clutter/junk vehicles/high grass at the properties of 29 and 33 Shaffer Street. OIC Campbell will send a warning.

Attached is the May 2024 Police Summary Report.

Solicitor Gianvito:

Solicitor Gianvito presented a drafted resolution to name a roadway between 212 and 214 East Main Street (Michael Hoare's request). A motion was made by Councilwoman Pruzinsky and seconded by Councilman Morris to name the roadway Sugar Camp Run. Motion carried. Resolution 2024-06-03 adopted and full resolution will be located at the Borough Office.

Solicitor Gianvito stated that an executive session is needed to discuss the Winslow Township matter.

NEW BUSINESS:

President ProTem Alvetro informed that a gentleman from JHA (architect) came out and looked at the roof to inspect/take pictures/look over specs. Foreman Williams is waiting to hear back (hopefully this week). He also informed that the salt shed is near completion (about three-four feet of lumber needed in the inside).

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into executive session to discuss legal matters at 8:08 P.M.

ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council reconvened from executive session at 8:24 P.M.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Vice President Elaine Fike and seconded by Councilwoman Sherry Pruzinsky. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Jaysa Neale  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

# Sykesville Borough Monthly Police Summary

## May 2024

Incidents Handled	16
Traffic Citations Issued	10
Criminal Citations Issued	0
Borough Ordinance Violations/Warnings	6
Written Warnings Issued	17
Parking Tickets Issued/Warnings Issued	0
Summary Offenses	10
Misdemeanor Offenses	0
Felony Offenses	0
Charges Filed at Magistrates	10
EMS/Police/Fire/Assist	3
Court Hearings	1
Miles Patrolled	541