

**HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH
LUZERNE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 20, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.in the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, 4875 Memorial Highway, Harveys Lake, PA, 18618.

President Hilburt called the meeting to order and asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Hilburt announced the meeting tonight was being tape-recorded and if anyone in the audience had a recorder to please advise Council at this time. There was no response.

Roll call:

Clarence Hogan	Mayor	Present
Bill Hilburt	President	Present
Thomas Kehler	Vice President	Present
Daniel F. Blaine	Council Member	Present
Michell'e Boice	Council Member	Present
Ed Kelly	Council Member	Present
Wayde Post	Council Member	Absent
Carole Samson	Council Member	Absent
Thomas O'Connor	Attorney	Present
Susan R. Sutton	Borough Secretary	Present

****Indicates motions made**

****Councilmember Kelly made the motion to waive the reading and accept the minutes of the August 16, 2016 public worksession and regular council meeting and the August 23, 2016 Special Meeting, seconded by Councilmember Boice. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Hogan presented a check for \$400 on behalf of the First Responders Dinner to be used by the Police department to purchase a new flagpole.

Council thanked McCarthy Tire for the excellent display of fireworks on Labor Day.

Fred Lubnow was here from Princeton Hydro to give an update on the 319 grants. There is still some money left in the 319 grant. He gave a report on the upcoming outlet treatment for Hydrilla. There will also be a whole lake plant survey done to determine the true extent of the problem. There were Clean Water funds allocated to the lake for hydrilla control in the amount of \$110,000. This will be used mostly for treatment next year. The spraying permit will need to be modified again. There are three prime locations that will most likely need to be

treated, the boat launch, the northern corner of the lake and the outlet. The survey will be done now in order to prioritize these sites. The new PA Growing Greener 3 was just announced. Princeton Hydro will review the guidelines to determine if this can be used as well. They estimate that it will take 3 to 5 years to eradicate the Hydrilla.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

The floor was opened for public comment.

Resident Suzanne Neid asked if Council had taken the time to review the Luzerne County ordinance #14-2015 providing for the Time and Manner Dogs may be kept outside during severe weather events. She is concerned that this will put an undue burden on our police department for enforcement and could pit neighbor against neighbor. The Solicitor stated that he would read what was submitted and look into it.

Sam Augustine from JP Mascaro asked if he could address council regarding the bids that were opened at the 7:00 special meeting. He took exception to the bid submitted by County Waste that was proposing using totes. He had concerns and does not believe it was bid by the specifications that were advertised. He stated some concerns including that anything not put in the totes wouldn't be picked up. He feels that seniors would have trouble using them. He also wanted to know how bulk items would be handled.

****Councilmember Kehler made a motion to table the awarding of the garbage bid until next month at the regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Boice. The motion carried unanimously.**

The floor was closed

REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE

The Tax Collector's report was available on the back table.

The Borough Secretary reported that during the month of June the Borough received \$59,366.18 from Berkheimer

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Admin: Council reported that the annual Minimum Municipal Obligation for the Police Pension for the year 2017 is \$0. The plan is fully funded. Also, the Harveys Lake Recreational Committee reported that they made \$2190.65 for the 2016 Lakefest event this year.

Finance: Councilmember Kehler gave a report including that the available cash is at \$530,914.18 and restricted cash is \$153,785.89 for a total of \$684,700.07.

Police: There was no police report given.

Roads: Councilmember Boice reported that 2016 Liquid Fuels road projects were complete. Also that the old police station will be demolished soon.

BMCP: No report given.

Special Events: No report given.

EAC: No report given.

Sewer: No report given.

Zoning: Councilmember Kehler's report included that the zoning officer spoke to 221 persons. She issued 15 permits. She received 4 new complaints in writing with 1 pending a zoning board hearing. She issued 2 stop work orders for failure to get permits.

Garbage: Councilmember Boice reported that the current year fees for the month of August collected were \$7,188.45. Prior years' fees were \$1,583.25 and \$77.25 in garbage stickers for a total of \$8,848.95.

EMA: Councilmember Kelly stated that there were no problems.

****Councilmember Kehler made the motion to accept the reports from Special Committees, Elected Officials and Appointed Officials, seconded by Councilmember Boice. The motion carried unanimously.**

New Business

The Solicitor stated that Harveys Lake Borough applied for an LSA grant on behalf of the General Municipal Authority of Harveys Lake (GMAHL). A resolution was presented by the Solicitor and summarized. This resolution designates GMAHL to execute all documents and agreements between the Borough and the Commonwealth Financing Authority and to facilitate and assist in maintaining the grant that was awarded for the Variable Frequency Drive Pump Controls Project (project) in the amount of \$100,000.

****Councilmember Kelly made a motion to accept the Agreement to designate GMAHL to administer and sign documents on behalf of the Borough and between the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the Variable Frequency Drive Pump Controls project in the amount of \$100,000, seconded by Councilmember Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.**

****Councilmember Boice made a motion to renew the current Geisinger Health Plan for the employees with a 9% increase, seconded by Councilmember Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS

****Councilmember Boice made a motion to pay the Bills and Payroll in the amount of**

\$76,396.64 seconded by Councilmember Kelly. The motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7:30 pm.

****Councilmember Kehler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Boice.
The motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susan R. Sutton, Borough Secretary