

PAXTANG BOROUGH
Workshop Meeting
3423 Derry Street
October 3, 2023

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Council President	Kathleen Bloss
Council Vice-President	Christopher Spackman
Council President Pro-Tempore	Jack Thomas

Mayor	Nathan Martin
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Councilman Thomas Wingert
Councilwoman Jennifer Britten
Councilman Corbin Bower
Councilman Eric Fillman

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Borough Manager	Keldeen Stambaugh
Borough Solicitor	Joshua Bonn
Borough EMA Coordinator	Robin Bloss

President Bloss called to order the October 3, 2023, Workshop meeting at 7:00 p.m.

President Bloss presented an opportunity for residents and taxpayers to voice their opinions on matters of public concern. Borough Council would listen to speakers and should not interrupt or engage speakers in debate. Public comment is not a question and answer session. Questions raised will be referred to the appropriate committee or to the Borough Manager. Three minutes per speaker for general public comment would be allotted. Comments would begin with Paxtang Borough residents, business, or property owners, and then proceed with comments from other individuals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Bloss opened the floor for anyone wishing to share comments.

EMA Coordinator Mr. Robin Bloss stated a nationwide **TEST** of both the Wireless Emergency Alerts and the Emergency Alert System will take place on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. **Test** message will be sent to mobile phones nationwide with a backup date of Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

Mr. Justin Bradnick 3703 Rutherford Street – Swatara Township voiced his concern with the following: line of sight at the intersection of Derry Street and Wilhelm Road, suggested a town meeting with PennDOT to share thoughts and resolutions, suggested No Parking in the westbound lane of Derry Street except for handicapped spaces, noted properties between Wilhelm and Walnut have off street parking to some degree, make Oak Street and Swan Street One Way heading North, and No Parking on Derry Street from Wilhelm to Oak Street. Mr. Bradnick mentioned parking in alleys make it difficult for passenger and emergency apparatus to maneuver.

Mr. Gavin Ford 3731 Rutherford Street – Swatara Township stated he sent a communication to Swatara Township Public Safety Director Darrell Reider and to Swatara Township Deputy Police Chief Thomas Stauffer in March of 2023 requesting No Parking be extended in the westbound lane of Derry Street exiting from Wilhelm Road.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Martin encouraged all to attend the annual Paxtang Lions Club Parade on Tuesday, October 24 and expressed his gratitude to the Lions for hosting this long-standing tradition.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Administration – No Report from Vice-President Spackman

Health and Sanitation – No Report from Councilman Thomas

Highway – No Report from Councilman Bower

Property and Recreation

Councilman Fillman reported he would be offering a modification to the gymnasium rules at the October 17, 2023, regular business meeting. Change would address security deposits. Eagle Scout Gregory Pitzner will be attending the October Regular Business Meeting. Mr. Pitzner initiated the construction and installation of a recreational Gaga Pit at Saussaman Park for his Eagle Scout service project.

Public Relations – Councilwoman Britten requested information regarding the EAS,WEA **test** alert be posted on the Borough information system (web site) at paxtang.org. Discussion was to have the notification posted to the Borough social media networking service of Facebook. The Borough newsletter, The Paxtang Post, will be shifting to an electronic format. A listing of residents requesting a paper copy will be maintained.

Public Safety – Councilman Wingert reported receiving complaints that motorized dirt bikes are being ridden on the Capital Area Greenbelt.

REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR

No Report from Solicitor Bonn

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH MANAGER

MUNICIPAL BUILDING ROOF

Manager Stambaugh reported the municipal roof replacement project is tentatively scheduled for April of 2024. Council approved the project at the September 19, 2013, regular business meeting.

BUSINESS

REQUEST FOR RELIEF OF SOLID WASTE FEE

*1) Councilman Thomas made a motion that Council approve a request for relief of Solid Waste charges for 3327 Derry Street and 3401 Derry Street. Motion seconded by Councilman Fillman. Motion carried after discussion that Council was in the position to acknowledge the request and that the request is made on an annual basis.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Bloss opened the floor for anyone wishing to share comments. Hearing none, President Bloss proceeded with the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

*2) Councilman Bower made a motion to adjourn the Workshop meeting. Motion seconded by Vice-President Spackman. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Secretary

1. Relief of Charges – Solid Waste 3327 and 3401 Derry Street
2. Adjourn

