

**PAXTANG BOROUGH
Workshop Meeting
3423 Derry Street, Harrisburg, PA
February 4, 2020**

President Bloss called to order the monthly meeting of the Paxtang Borough Council at 7:00 p.m.

BOROUGH OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor	Sheilah Borne Fuller
Council President	Kathleen Bloss
Council Vice-President	Christopher Spackman

Council Members	Joshua Eisner
	David Gui
	Angel Gonzalez
	Thomas Wingert

BOROUGH OFFICIALS ABSENT

Council President Pro-Tempore	Jack Thomas
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Borough Manager	Keldeen Stambaugh
Borough Solicitor	J. Stephen Feinour

Borough Fire Chief	John Tinari
Police	Lt. Thomas Stauffer

President Bloss thanked Lt. Stauffer for attending.

Reports

Chief Tinari reported the Fire Company plans to attend a weekend trip June 12-14 and August 21-23, 2020, for purposes of reciprocal assistance in coverage in Schuylkill County and for the Fire Company Parade/Competition.

Members will be assisting the Lions Club with the Pancake Breakfast in February.

Cub Scout troop will visit in March to the Fire House for a visit and fire safety presentation.

Emergency Management Coordinator had no report.

Mayor had no report

Councilman Gonzalez (Public Relations) and Councilman Wingert (Highway) had no report. No report was submitted by Councilman Thomas regarding Health and Sanitation Committee.

Report by Councilman Spackman on Property and Recreation. The new exterior doors are installed and working well. We are collecting estimates for various items. In March we will continue discussion on The Borough Municipal Building and Parking Lot Repairs and maintenance.

Councilman Gui reported that he met with the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief, Council President and Borough Manager for the first quarterly meeting. Goals and expectations were shared.

Although a few members inquired about the leadership appointments. Mr. Gui reiterated the fact that the appointments are not an election by the Fire Company but, per the Code, they are appointments by the Borough Council. All meetings and discussions prior to the final decision were handled as a personnel matter and not open for discussion.

A description/definition of terms used in the reports and otherwise, will be created for use by Council.

Additionally, Councilman Gui shared the request from the Fire Company to use Fire Tax Funds to purchase 3 new sets of gear. We have two members currently in training and we may be asked to continue in a rotation, the required standard of gear replacement based on life and safety determined by the National Fire League.

No report by Councilman Eisner.

Borough Manager Stambaugh reported that February 11th Swatara Township will hold their *Hearts Across Swatara* Awards Event. Highlights include but is not limited to recognition of Officer of the Year, Corporal Tim Bloss, Pastor Mike of Living Waters Church, Dr. Stuart of Harrisburg Police Athletic League, Jeanne Webster and Brian Faleshock of Central Dauphin School District School Board, Wayne Scott of Police Civil service Commission and Rutherford Fire Chief and more.

The Staff is currently working on various Grants.

902 Recycling Grant for Leaf Collection Equipment, Planning grant for improvements at Saussaman Park and we just completed submission of the Tree City USA grant with the Shade Tree Commission.

I am working with the Solicitor and Engineer to proceed with plans to establish a Stormwater Authority followed by implementation of Stormwater Fee. We will move as quickly as possible so we may begin public education.

Additionally, the staff is beginning to collect information so we may draft descriptions for the two part time positions of grass cutting and trimming, and also crossing guard. Councilman Wingert suggested inquiring with AAA for safety gear and training for the new school crossing guards. Brief discussion on advertising and insurance coverage.

Council President Bloss offered Audience Participation. Lorraine Spangler, of 203 N. 31st Street, inquired about vacant/abandoned houses in the Borough and if there is anything in place to monitor them. Specifically in a home on the west side of the borough, where the resident was away for an extended period of time and the home was broken into and they stayed. Councilman Wingert was aware of this particular incident and informed Ms. Spangler that the police were notified by neighbors and they proceeded to investigate and removed the trespasser.

Councilman Wingert asked everyone to tell your neighbors to encourage to report any questionable activity they see in the borough. Lt. Stauffer added, to please call when you see it, rather than wait a few days.

At 7:36 p.m. Council President Bloss announced the Council would go into Executive Session and invite the Mayor, Manager and Solicitor to discuss matters of personnel or potential litigation and to seek and obtain advice from our solicitor.

After the room was cleared, Council proceeded with Executive Session.

At 8:15 p.m. Council returned from Executive Session.

Motion by Councilman Wingert to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Spackman. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes taken by Keldeen Stambaugh, Borough Manager