

BOROUGH OF SLATINGTON

The Highway, Sewer/Solid Waste, and Water Committee Workshop Meeting were held on September 20, 2010 in Council Room, 125 South Walnut Street, Slatington, PA. The meeting was called to order by President Freed at 6:55 PM with the following in attendance:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS</u>	<u>VISITORS</u>	
Kris Burek	None	Russell Hallman	Denise Smith	Chad Trego
Bryon Reed			Melvin Gildner	Kathi Buss
Eldon Roberts			Carol Gildner	George Moyer
Galen Freed			Ron Strohl	Joseph Valagene
			Allen Gruber	Gary Phillips

SEWER/SOLID WASTE

Kris Burek – Chairman; Members: Eldon Roberts, Bryon Reed

VISITORS – There were no visitors signed in to talk with the Sewer/Solid Waste Committee.

There were no further questions from the committee members, other Council members or the public and so the Sewer/Solid Waste Committee Meeting was adjourned.

WATER

Eldon Roberts – Chairman; Members: Bryon Reed, Kris Burek

VISITORS

Chad Trego – 403 East Church Street presented a slide presentation on his view of what water rates should be and how he arrived at his calculations.

Kathi Buss – 7014 Old Grange Road, Slatington stated that Slatington’s utility bills are too high and this makes it harder to rent out homes and apartments.

Ron Strohl – 232-234 East Church Street property noted that the Borough needs to look at future long-term expenses including capital improvements for the Water and Sewer systems so that they could project and propose what utility rates should be now and in the future. He stated that Walnutport has a good system for this.

DISCUSSION ON RESERVOIR HOUSE – No discussion at this time

There were no further questions from the committee members, other Council members or the public and so the Water Committee Meeting was adjourned.

HIGHWAY

Bryon Reed – Chairman; Members: Eldon Roberts, Kris Burek

VISITORS

Allen Gruber and William Jones who resides in Washington Township presented a plan for the construction to improve a bridge on Beddall Street. They were asked to make a drawing and present it at the next Council Meeting on October 11, 2010.

George Moyer – 231 Main Street stated that the concrete curb and sidewalks on the Walnut Street Bridge on the Main Street side needs repair.

BRIDGE CLEANUP, SNOW REMOVAL ON MAIN STREET BRIDGE

Chair Reed stated that he called Joe Kretulskie at PENNDOT and is waiting for a response.

FINE'S REQUEST FOR PARKING IN THE 700 BLOCK OF MAIN STREET

Chair Reed stated that he called PENNDOT and is waiting for a response.

SPRINGSIDE ROOF

It was decided that we did not have all the estimates to look over and make a decision at this time.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Gary Phillips – Sewer Authority Chair inquired if the Borough could overlay more streets at this time, which would save on engineering fees and the bidding process. He also stated that the Borough Authority could possibly contribute some additional monies to help for additional paving of streets.

ASSUMPTION BVM CEMETERY PLAN

The letter that SSM sent to President Freed concerning the Assumption BVM Church Cemetery Association Request located on 7th Street was discussed and it was noted that any future developments on the cemetery storm water inlet capacity calculations must be submitted. This issue will be put on the October 11th Council Meeting Agenda for Council's action.

There were no further questions from the committee members, other Council members or the public and so the Highway Committee Meeting was adjourned.

Joan Cheesbrough
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