

The Borough Council of Shiremanstown, Pennsylvania held the regular monthly meeting September 13, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. at Borough Hall, One Park Lane, Shiremanstown, Pennsylvania.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

John J. Getz, President  
Gary Gardner  
Cindy Gaumer-Watson  
Lucy Getz  
Grant Tankersly

**BOROUGH OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Tammie G. Dailey, Mayor  
Andrew Sheely, Solicitor  
George Lane, Treasurer  
Janna Colechio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES**

On a motion Mrs. Getz and seconded by Mr. Gardner, the minutes of the August 9, 2021, Council Meeting were approved as written.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2021 previously had been distributed to Council. Mr. Lane noted the receipt of \$85,200.74 (eighty-five thousand two hundred dollars and seventy-four cents) received and noted under State Grants. He credited the Secretary for completing the COVID ARPA grant application online. Mrs. Getz made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for August 2021 and file it for audit. With a second from Mr. Tankersly, the motion passed unanimously.

The 2022 Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Shiremanstown Borough Police Pension Plan (21-072-3) had been prepared and previously distributed to Council. Mr. Lane explained that Plan is currently over-funded and no additional funding is required for 2022.

Mrs. Souleret provided a brief history of the Joseph T. Simpson Library as it celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2021, during the annual update on the Joseph T. Simpson Library. While a few programs continue to be held virtually, most programs returned to in-person. Throughout the pandemic and in 2021, library supporters have been generous in helping the library meet its budget. While thanking the Council for their continued support of the Joseph T. Simpson Library, she invited all in attendance to preview and bid at the Online Auction September 13 – 26, 2021.

**CITIZEN'S REPORT**

Citizens Present:

Tom McCutcheon	Shiremanstown Fire Department
Carol Mullen-O'Leary	115 South Locust Street
Jeff Bland	200 East Walnut Street
Judy Souleret	313 West Green Street

Ms. Mullen-O'Leary inquired when the matter of closing the portion of Spruce Street would be addressed. The Solicitor responded that arrangements must be made for a hearing to be conducted prior to a regular council meeting in which a court stenographer would be present to

take the minutes. The petitions signed by Ms. Mullen-O'Leary and Mr. Bland would then be submitted as attachments to the hearing minutes, and, upon Council's approval, an ordinance prepared.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

A certificate of liability had been provided by the USA Softball of Pennsylvania for use of the softball field in Memorial Park. Mr. Tankersly made a motion to approve the use of the ballfield provided the team manager and/or coach provide the Secretary with the fall schedule. With a second from Mrs. Gaumer-Watson, the motion was passed unanimously.

### **COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

Mr. Getz had nothing new to report.

### **LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Mr. Getz reminded the public and the council that emergencies, weather, or others, are posted to the County's site at [ccpa.net](http://ccpa.net) under the Services tab then choosing the "Alert Center." Should an emergency occur within the Borough, the Mayor will declare the emergency and notify the Secretary to have it posted on the Borough's Facebook page and website and send an alert through CivicPlus.

### **MAINTENANCE AND BOROUGH GROUNDS**

Annual leaf pick up will begin on Monday October 18, 2021 and run through December 17, 2021. Leaves will be recycled at the Camp Hill Borough facility. An \$800 (eight hundred dollars) fee needs to be paid to Camp Hill for this service, which will include the opportunity to dispose of municipal trash items as well. Mr. Bretz will contact Camp Hill Borough regarding the billing process.

The lot consolidation plans have been finalized by the Borough Engineer. Mr. Getz and the Secretary will plan to sign the finalized consolidation at Mr. Sheely's office where they can be notarized.

### **SANITATION**

The only complaint this month was the lack of pick-up at the Borough Hall of trash in the dumpster.

### **CODES ENFORCEMENT/ZONING OFFICER**

The Zoning Officer's Report for the month of August had previously been distributed to Council. Four building permits, and two sidewalk permits had been issued in August for a total of \$803.00 (eight hundred three dollars) collected in fees.

Ms. Alloway has cited the property owner at 118 South Locust Street, who pleaded guilty on August 30, 2021; however, the violation(s) have not yet been satisfied.

## **STREETS AND PAVEMENTS**

Strawberry Alley from St. John's Alley to North Stoner Avenue remains an item for repair this year. Mr. Lane, again, reminded Council that because the area is an alley and not a street, funds will need to come from the Capital Reserve Fund and not the Highway Fund. He also reminded them that any projects or contracts between the estimated cost of \$11,300 and \$21,000 require at least three written/telephonic quotations and purchases and contracts over the \$21,000 amount require formal bidding. Estimates could be requested from the Borough Engineer.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Mr. McCutcheon gave updates on Shiremanstown Fire Department (SFD) activity for the month including his election to the position of Fire Chief due to the lack of time Mr. Hertzler must devote to the SFD between caring for his aging parents and his work schedule. Training continues for members of the Department.

A separate account with a balance of \$44,000 had been used to purchase a twenty-year-old mini-pumper which can be used as a secondary piece for reaching more compact areas where the large pumper would have difficulty maneuvering.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

The recreation committee met on September 7, 2021, at 7:00 in the Borough Hall. Anna Harris and Kari DeMaria attended as new members to the committee. It was determined that the Annual Halloween party will be hosted in Memorial Park on Saturday, October 23, 2021 with registration beginning at 6:30 PM and the parade and the judging of costumes starting at 7:00 PM. Following the parade, a time of hot chocolate and Halloween donuts in the park will take place. Mr. Tankersly requested that the Fire Department be on hand to control the bonfire in the park. Mr. McCutcheon assured him that the Department will be on hand for the festivities. Mr. Partridge would like to purchase two new coffee urns not to exceed \$125 (one hundred twenty-five dollars). Mrs. Getz made a motion to approve the purchase of two coffee urns not to exceed a total of \$125 (one hundred twenty-five dollars). With a second from Mr. Gardner, the motion passed. The Secretary was asked to have the Borough's web page and Facebook page updated with the Halloween Party information.

## **MAIN STREET**

Mrs. Getz thanked Mr. Bretz for planting the rose bushes in front of the Welcome to Shiremanstown Sign and in Memorial Park.

Mrs. Getz requested that signs be purchased and posted in Memorial Park reminding citizens that dogs are to be leashed and under control of the owner. The signs seen are approximately 16" x 24" and would include the Ordinance and the amount of the fine for those who fail to comply. Mr. Tankersly made a motion to purchase signs to be posted in Memorial Park not to exceed \$240 (two hundred forty dollars). Mrs. Gaumer-Watson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

### August

Complaints Rec'd	38	Traffic	103
Criminal	6	Non-Traffic	0
Assist. Other Depts.	9	Verbal Warn	2
PD Revenue	\$1,874.49	Parking Tkts	0
		Written Warn	3

Officer	Hours	Traffic Tickets/Arrests
Stoner	198.0	1
Montgomery	198.0	102
Shaughnessy	42.0	0
Holley	18.0	0
Hutcheson	122.0	0
Hall	35.0	0
Pidcock	0.0	0
Shifflet	0.0	0
Kitzmilller	0.0	0

Citations for the month included ninety-seven (97) for speeding, one (1) for lack of valid registration, three (3) for invalid inspections, and two (2) driving under a suspended license.

The mayor announced that Thomas Gelnett has been sworn into office. The mayor is waiting for an update from Police Chief Stoner regarding his findings on making North High Street a one-way street.

Currently, the Department of Transportation is no longer supplying the cones for pedestrian safety in crosswalks. The mayor advised council that with four crosswalks on Main Street, at an approximate cost of \$140 (one hundred forty dollars) per sign would cost \$560 (five hundred sixty dollars). Mr. Sheely noted that it is already a violation with a fine for failure to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk, without the Borough assuming the potential liability should one of the cones be left on the street and cause damage to another vehicle. Discussion took place regarding the best possible solution to alert drivers from a distance and close-up to avoid any traffic accidents or pedestrian injuries. Mr. Getz will research the cost and effectiveness of crosswalk push-button devices.

It was with sadness, that Mrs. Dailey announced the passing of Mary Henderson, wife of former Mayor Mike Weaver earlier in the month.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Sheely reminded Council the fine for violating the animal at large ordinance s \$500 (five hundred dollars).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

Ms. Gaumer-Watson made a motion to accept the receipts and pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner and carried.

Mrs. Getz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M. With a second from Mr. Tankersly, the motion passed unanimously.

SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL,

Janna E. Colechio  
Borough Secretary