

Rural Valley Borough Council Minutes
August 14, 2017

Meeting opened by President Will Spera with flag pledge.

Present: Randy Arduini, Tony Arduini, Louis Bartosiewicz, Clifford Nichols, Frank Palilla, William Spera, Lillian Bartosiewicz, Kevin Nelson, Matthew Finotti

Absent: Kathy Fusaro, Larry Walker

Resident, Kathy Keirn and State Police Officer, Lt. Ekis.

Kathy Keirn, representing West Shamokin Youth Softball, asked Council for permission to close Main Street from Avi's to Gulish's for a 5k run on Saturday, September 30, from 9 to 11 a.m. The Softball Organization will be responsible for having all side streets covered and will have supervision for traffic.

Randy Arduini moved to grant permission for this closing of Main Street. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Randy Arduini moved to accept the July 10, 2017, minutes. Cliff Nichols seconded. Minutes accepted.

Cliff Nichols moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Randy Arduini seconded. Report accepted.

Tony Arduini moved to pay the bills presented. Randy Arduini seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence read.

- Tony Arduini moved to approve the UCC members for the appeal board. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.
- Clifford Nichols moved to reject terrorism on the Selective Commercial Insurance Package. Tony Arduini seconded. Motion carried.
- Frank Palilla moved to accept the Police and Public Officials liability insurance quote from ESS. Clifford Nichols seconded. Motion carried.
- Frank Palilla moved to accept the ESS insurance quote for the Commercial Insurance Package. Tony Arduini seconded. Motion carried.
- Randy Arduini moved to publish the updated ordinance book, only referencing the flood ordinance. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Committees:

Mayor:

- Introduced Matthew Finotti to Council.
- Randy Arduini moved to remove Christian Madison from police employment, as he has not replied to any of our contacts. Tony Arduini seconded. Motion carried.
- Randy Arduini moved to hire Michael Bartosiewicz as a part-time police officer. Tony Arduini seconded. Motion carried.
- Lt. Ekis addressed Council giving info about the state police and offering any help needed.

- Discussed possibility of changing some info on police manual; such as, buying of vests for officers—possible put an employment time element in reimbursement.
- Palmer property is now owned by the Borough. Will see if anyone interested in purchase.

Building/Maintenance:

- Palmer property is in need of mowing. Need to level it out first.
- Borough was contacted concerning a memorial addition at the park.
 - Shannock Valley Recreation Commission has a ruling that nothing is to be added to the park without their approval of what it is and where it is placed.
 - Possibly, Tony can put this on the web site.

Streets:

- Sink hole somewhere in the Kaplon or Berdell properties, which may be causing water problems.
- Shlemmer Road project is completed. Will put in for dirt & gravel grant for next year to hopefully finish needed work.

Other:

- Frank Palilla informed Council that a committee of Frank, Rich Palilla, Will Spera, and Ron Juliette was formed to preserve the history of Shannock Valley. They are beginning with a pictorial history. Tony will add this info to the web page.
- Remember budget in November!
- Discussed roof of old school. Will have Curt Davis look at it.

Frank Palilla moved to adjourn. Cliff Nichols seconded. Meeting adjourned.

**• Next Meeting
Monday, September 11, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Bartosiewicz, Secretary