

**CHAMBER OF BOROUGH COUNCIL  
Shoemakersville Borough**

**November 10, 2020**

President Kline called the workshop of the Shoemakersville Borough Council to order in the Shoemakersville Borough Office, 115 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Shoemakersville, PA at 7:05 p.m.

**In attendance:** Chris Kline – President, Amy Botwright – Vice President, Tara Kennedy-Kline, Dana Randazzo – arrives at 7:22 p.m., Dana Smith, and Joseph Wertz, Jr.

Absent from the meeting: John Leshner, Dustin Remp

**Property/Streets/Sanitation – Mr. Smith**

The first week of pickup with the new haulers went well, with only 1 reported miss.

Ms. Kennedy-Kline and President Kline discuss a borough resident that always exceeds the limit with trash to be removed. That resident would like to have their own dumpster at the location, since she does not wish to pay for the \$7/bag sticker to have any extra bags removed.

Council discusses whether or not the dumpster would be temporary or permanent. Mr. Smith will speak with Ms. Wagner for more information.

**Sewer – Mr. Wertz – no report**

**Water – President Kline**

President Kline and Mr. Wertz briefly discuss repairs made at the plant.

**Parks & Recreation – Ms. Kennedy-Kline**

Council discusses the Agreement of Sale for the pool property and the amendments noted at last week's Council meeting. Further discussion will take place at the December meeting.

Vice President Botwright and Ms. Kennedy-Kline discuss the holiday lighting contest for December.

**Law/Planning/Zoning – Mr. Wertz – no report**

**Employee Relations – President Kline**

An employee matter is to be discussed during an executive session.

**Approvals/Finance/Pension – Vice President Botwright**

\*A motion is made by Vice President Botwright to approve the minutes for November 3, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Wertz. Motion carried unanimously.

\*A motion is made by Vice President Botwright to approve the bills payable for November 10, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Wertz. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Botwright is waiting to hear back from Berks EIT regarding the collection of per capita taxes.

**Safety – Mayor Remp – no report**

### **New Business**

The borough office will be closing at noon on November 19 and will be closed from November 25-27.

### **Old Business**

The Shoemakersville Municipal Authority and the Perry Township Municipal Authority will be meeting on November 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Perry Township building.

Council discusses auditors for the borough's 2020 records.

### **Executive Session**

The Board recessed into executive session at 7:24 p.m. to discuss employee relations. Regular session reconvened at 7:42 p.m.

\*A motion is made by Ms. Kennedy-Kline to terminate Kyle Roth due to excessive absenteeism, pursuant to the letter he was sent dated May 27, 2020. Seconded by Vice President Botwright. Vice President Botwright asks for an effective date, with Ms. Kennedy-Kline noting November 11, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Budget Workshop**

The board recessed into a budget workshop at 7:44 p.m. Regular session reconvened at 9:32 p.m.

\*A motion is made by Vice President Botwright to make the 2021 proposed budget available for public inspection at the borough office. Seconded by Mr. Wertz. Motion carried unanimously.

\*A motion is made by Vice President Botwright to advertise the 2021 tax rate at 6.5 mills. Seconded by Mr. Wertz. Motion carried unanimously.

\*A motion is made by Vice President Botwright to authorize Solicitor Mooney to create and advertise the ordinance to discontinue the collection of the per capita tax, to be advertised once per week for three consecutive weeks. Seconded by Mr. Wertz. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, a motion is made by Vice President Botwright to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Kennedy-Kline. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Wagner  
Secretary/Treasurer