

Laceyville Borough Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 4, 2025
342 Church St Laceyville, PA 18623

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council President, Kristy Fassett

Council: Kristy Fassett, Tari Trowbridge, ShellyAnn Shotwell, Phillip Brewer, Jaime Lopez, Jeffrey Shotwell

Others: Lisa Mapes, Secretary/Treasurer; Jaye Butler, Water Operator

Public: Warren Howler, Rocket Courier

Secretary Minutes from February 4, 2025, Council Meeting, were reviewed and approved, 1st Phillip Brewer, 2nd by ShellyAnn Shotwell, with no changes recommended.

Treasurer's Report

1. Lisa provided a summary of all bank accounts through February 28, 2025.
2. Funds were transferred from the Impact Fee Account to Water Company for payment of the Cresswell Invoice of \$17,155.76, as was approved at the last meeting. Lisa will make adjustments to the Water company ledger to reflect this transfer of funds properly.
3. Lisa reported that gas lease checks totaling \$9,961.03 were just received, and will be deposited.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, made by Tari Trowbridge, 2nd by ShellyAnn Shotwell.

Water

Jaye Butler reported the following:

1. There have been 11 water leaks within Laceyville Borough since July 4, 2025.
2. Galvanized pipes could continue to cause a problem and could also be the cause of the color and taste in the water.
3. The pipes need to be replaced within the next 2 years, but at this time, the Government has not provided any financing opportunities for this. Tari suggested that Council begin to hold separate meetings to establish a proactive plan for the replacement of pipes at the properties. Phil suggested discuss with, Mike Marabell, District Representative, about the option to get funding for replacement of the pipes.
4. All water testing is coming back good.
5. Reservoir level is finally back to normal.
6. Replacement of the starter switch has not been completed yet but will be scheduled to start soon.
7. Geologist to review bringing on the other reservoir – Approximate cost to use the Geologist would be \$175/hr and \$65/hr for his staff. Jaye will look for an option to use someone else.
8. The valve at reservoir will be completed when weather gets warmer.
9. Installation of the hydrant on Lacey Street will be completed when the weather gets warmer.

-Funds will be transferred from Gas Lease Account to Water Company to pay for the large amount of invoices from DR Brown Hauling for assistance with the required water repairs.

-Shelley gave appreciation to Jaye Butler & Dave Brown for their work in completing all the water repairs.

-Kristy will send out some dates to Council to get together and start looking at the upcoming water projects.

Streets

1. Trash Cans – Duane Shrimp started emptying the trash cans on Main Street and will continue to do so twice each month.
2. Pothole patching will need to be completed in the Spring.
3. Lights & Light box on pole - Phil reported that Ashley McClain will change two of the streetlights and look at the outdoor outlet on pole.

4. There are two streetlights out on 2nd street that Phil reported.

Mayor's Report

1. Sidewalk by Library – Jeff reported that Council may need to get “No Parking on Sidewalk” signs and yellow striping for this area. Also discussed preparing a letter to notify the tenant about the issue.
2. Jeff reported that he recently swore in Members of Goodwill Fire Company.

Sewer Update

Sewer Shut offs were prepared and posted. With the exception of one customer, everyone has paid.

Parks

1. Kristy is working on getting the millings still needed to complete the project at Donovan Park.
2. Need to get mulch for Donovan Park.

Community Events

1. Easter Egg Hunt- Scheduled for April 12 with rain date of April 19. Kristy has the flyer to be printed and will order supplies. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be available for purchase.
2. Goodwill Fire Company will be having their ham & bean dinner on March 20, 2025, 6:00-until its gone.

Correspondence

1. Liquid Fuels Tax Fund payment received March 3, 2025 for \$12,508.76.

New Business

1. Lawn Mowing bids -
Motion to put lawn bids in the paper for advertisement and review at next meeting, made by Phillip Brewer, 2nd by Jaime Lopez.

-Discussed option to have Duan Shrimp take care of some of the flowers/weeds around the Borough.

2. Community Junk/Clean Up Day – E&M Waste will provide service again this year.
Motion to schedule community junk/clean up day for Friday, June 6 in the evening and Saturday, June 7 in the morning.

Old Business

1. Meshoppen Ambulance Contract – Annual contract to pay for Laceyville service area \$4,000.
Motion to sign annual contract for Meshoppen Ambulance to service Laceyville area, made by Jaime Lopez, 2nd by Phillip Brewer.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:06pm was made by Tari Trowbridge, 2nd by Phillip Brewer.

Next meeting, Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at the Borough office, 342 Church Street Laceyville, PA 18623.

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Lisa Mapes