

**MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 27, 2018  
MEETING OF TRAPPE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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Council Vice President Cathy Johnson called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of Trappe Borough Council December 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Trappe Borough Hall, 525 West Main Street, Trappe, Pennsylvania.

**Those present were:**

Vice President Cathy Johnson  
Scott Martin  
Stu Strauss  
Brett Yeagley  
Pat Webster  
Mayor Matthew Wismer

**Also present:**

Solicitor David Onorato  
Treasurer John Klink  
Borough Manager Tamara Twardowski

**Absent:**

Nevin Scholl  
Phil Ronca

**PUBLIC FORUM/AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Mr. Michael Clement asked if Colonel's Place was on the agenda and was told it was later in the evening.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Council Vice President C. Johnson announced that Council will convene into a brief executive session to discuss a legal matter and that a vote may be taken on matters discussed during the reconvened public meeting.

Council reconvened to the public meeting at 7:15

**Treasurer's Report:**

John Klink presented the Treasurer Report dated December 27, 2018 for the Customers Bank Liquid Fuels Fund direct charges by PECO in the amount of \$2,338.88.

**A motion was requested to pay bills as listed:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: P. Webster**

**Approved: 5 – 0**

John Klink presented the Treasurer's Report dated December 27, 2018 for the Customers Bank Escrow Fund check numbers 1128-29, along with a transfer that belonged to the General Fund in the amount of \$3,312.00.

**A motion was requested to the pay bill as listed:**

**Moved S. Strauss**

**Seconded: S. Martin**

**Approved: 5 – 0**



Trappe Shopping Center. Subsequently Montgomery County also awarded Trappe Borough \$31,600 for biking enhancements to the same intersections and general road resurfacing.

4. Connor Whitson, a local college student and resident diligently worked to catalogue and scan more than 4,000 plot plans. These plans were previously stored in the basement of Trappe Borough Hall in no particular order. The physical and electronic copies are now accessed by Borough staff as needed for research purposes.
5. The bargaining unit at Colledgeville-Trappe Joint Public Works Department, Colledgeville Borough and Trappe Borough ratified a four-year labor contract.
6. A guide to Trappe Council meetings was created and will be provided at monthly Council meetings to help and encourage residents to participate in their local government.
7. A public Spotted Lanternfly information session was held at Trappe Borough Hall in order to provide the latest information on how to cope with this invasive species.
8. Drainage was improved at the Marion Dr. curve by replacing a deteriorated storm pipe with one of greater capacity in order to remove stormwater from the road more quickly.
9. Council proactively instituted a Red Flag Reporting System to provide a hotline for the Confidential reporting of fraud, waste, abuse or safety issues related to Trappe Borough government.
10. Council started providing a summary of Council meetings available on the website a few days after the meeting rather than waiting for the draft minutes to be posted.

#### **Colonel's Place Dedication**

Ordinance 446 was presented that would be an authorization to accept dedication of Colonel's Place. Mr. Clement also requested a release of the remaining escrow. Council agreed.

#### **Motion to approve Ordinance 446 Accepting Dedication of Colonel's Place:**

**Moved: B. Yeagley**

**Second: P. Webster**

**Approved: 5-0**

Adjournment - There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned by Vice President Johnson at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara D. Twardowski  
Borough Secretary