

**MINUTES OF THE July 5, 2022  
MEETING OF TRAPPE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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Council President Scott Martin called to order the regular meeting of Trappe Borough Council, held at the Borough Hall at 525 W. Main Street, on July 5, 2022 at 7:06 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Those present were:**

Julie Bechtel  
Dave Davis  
Scott Martin  
Mallory Perlin  
Stu Strauss  
Mayor Matthew Wismer

**Also present:**

Solicitor David Onorato  
Engineer Christine Mildner  
Borough Manager Marcus Dolny  
Treasurer John Klink

**Absent:** Tara Hiley, Theresa Pammer

Visitors: See Included Sign in Sheet

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT:** Regarding possible litigation with no expected action

**AGENDA ADDITION**

**Motion to approve the inclusion of consideration of the CTMA/Public Works Union Contract:**

**Moved:** S. Strauss

**Seconded:** M. Perlin

**Approved:** 5/0

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

The members of Council reviewed the minutes of the June 14, 2022 regular meeting.

**Motion to approve the minutes:**

**Moved:** S. Strauss

**Seconded:** M. Perlin

**Approved:** 5/0

**PUBLIC FORUM/AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**Borough Engineer:** A copy of the written report is on file at the Borough Office, no action taken.

**Treasurer's Report:**

John Klink presented the Treasurer's Report dated June 30, 2022 along with a bill list for two payrolls, and direct charges from Phoenixville Federal Credit and checks 1054-1079 for payment totaling \$81,253.00.

**Motion to pay the bills as listed, with clarification on the Speed Sign Maintenance**

**Contract:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: M. Perlin**

**Approved: 5/0**

J. Klink presented the Treasurer Report dated May 31, 2022 for the Liquid Fuels Fund direct charges by PECO in the amount of \$2,087.43.

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

**Moved: D. Davis**

**Seconded: M. Perlin**

**Approved: 5/0**

J. Klink presented the Treasurer's Report dated May 31, 2022 for the Escrow Fund check numbers 1011-1012 in the amount of \$9,528.00.

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

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: M. Perlin**

**Approved: 5/0**

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Wismer noted that he received information regarding holiday décor for the community.

**Borough Manager's Report:** A written copy of the report is on file at the Borough Office.

M. Dolny made a recommendation to move \$500,000 into PLGIT Term for a period of one year.

**Motion to approve:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: J. Bechtel**

**Approved: 5/0**

M. Dolny brought before Council RESOLUTION 2022-9 Authorizing the Execution of the PENNDOT Special Event Permit for Dinner on Main.

**Motion to approve:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: M. Perlin**

**Approved: 5/0**

M. Dolny presented to Council a proposal for security cameras at Borough Hall.

**Motion to approve the contract for installation of cameras not to exceed \$4,045.00:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: D. Davis**

**Approved: 5/0**

M. Dolny asked for approval to use Sky High Services LLC for the removal of trees along Cherry and Linden Ave. and Rambo Park.

**Motion to approve the services of Sky High Services LLC:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: M. Perlin**

**Approved: 5/0**

M. Dolny informed Council of difficulties he is encountering regarding the renewal of the Borough's SAM registration, and informed the board that he is working with Madeline Dean's Office to find a solution.

**Borough Solicitor:**

After the approval of the terms agreed upon at the June General Meeting of Trappe Borough; D. Onorato presented the Contract for ratification between Trappe Borough, Collegeville, and CTMA/Public Works Teamsters 830.

**Motion to approve:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: D. Davis**

**Approved: 5/0**

**Motion to approve staff reports as presented:**

**Moved: M. Perlin**

**Seconded: J. Bechtel**

**Approved: 5/0**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Traffic and Safety:**

S. Martin reported on the ongoing discussions regarding the merger of Trappe and Harleysville EMS. Official notifications were sent notifying service communities of the merger and the creation of Freedom Valley Medical Rescue. The expectant merger should be completed October 15, 2022. They will continue with asset transfers and handling matters presented before Orphans Court. As part of this process, we will need to look at a funding model to provide future success.

The Fire Company continues to work with the Borough regarding the construction of a new Fire House. S. Martin will be attending the executive board meeting of the Fire Company to discuss how to handle the ownership and land use of the new building and assets. Structured under four points:

1. Ownership of the Land to the Borough
2. Long term lease for the Fire Company for use of the Land
3. Contract of Service and Reversion Clause
4. Recognizing EMS as a subtenant to the Trappe Fire Co.

**Motion to approve D. Onorato to start the drafting of said documents not to exceed \$10,000.00:**

**Moved: M. Perlin**

**Seconded: D. Davis**

**Approved: 5/0**

**Administrative Services:**

S. Martin made the recommendation to remove Kim Godshall from her probationary status as she has shown abilities to meet and exceed to position.

**Motion to approve and adjust her salary to \$47,500.00:**

**Moved: S. Strauss**

**Seconded: J. Bechtel**

**Approved: 5/0**

**Business, Property & Parks: No Report**

**Finance Committee: No Report**

**Recreation:**

Next Meeting is July 7, 2022 at 6:00PM

**Public Affairs & Legislation: No Report**

**Street & Development: No Report**

**Planning & Zoning: No Report**

**Regional Planning: No Report**

**Public Works & CTMA:**

Minutes and financial reports presented, D. Davis noted that more aggressive investment strategy was being implemented.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business: None**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Borough Council entered into executive session to discuss personnel at 8:08 PM**

**Borough Council reconvened the general meeting at 8:28 PM**

**Council adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Marcus V. Dolny**