

**CENTRE HALL BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
January 2, 2024**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Long; C. Christine Cooper; Matthew Roan, Patrick Kelly; Daniel Smith; Matthew Powell; and LuAnn Yearick;

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Kenny Strouse, Superintendent, Maintenance, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer;  
Philip Orndorf, Jr., Maintenance, Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer;  
Angela Mundy, Borough Secretary; and LeDon Young, Mayor;

**CITIZENS PRESENT:** Centre County Library and Historical Museum; Denise Sticha, Lindsey Kurtz, Rhonda Rumbaugh, Colleen Dunkelberger, Carl Inglesby.

**CALL TO ORDER:** LeDon Young, Mayor called the meeting of the Centre Hall Borough Council to order at 7:05 p.m. following the Swearing in of Councilmembers.

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT:**

Councilperson LuAnn Yearick nominated Councilperson C. Christine Cooper, seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell; Councilperson Daniel Smith nominated Councilperson Kathryn Long, seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly; Councilperson Kathryn Long was elected Council President.

**NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT:**

Councilperson Patrick Kelly nominated Councilperson C. Christine Cooper, seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith; Councilperson LuAnn Yearick moved to close the nominations, seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0. Motion Passed. Councilperson C. Christine Cooper is now Council Vice-President.

**MEETING TURNED OVER:** President Kathryn Long continued the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

**CITIZENS:** Centre County Library and Historical Museum explained their updated and expansion plan for Centre Hall Library. They are proposing a name change, as well. The purpose for the expansion is for adding new books as well as programs for adults and children. They are seeking to have separate rooms from main library for privacy of groups and meetings. They have explained they cannot add parking as the parking lot is owned by Penns Valley School District, however, due to borough regulations, to expand, they may need to add parking. The Library Board will be in contact with the Centre Hall Borough for further parking lot issues.

**APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER MINUTES:** A motion was made by Councilperson Daniel Smith and was seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly, to approve the Minutes of the December 9, 2021 Council Meeting: Ayes - 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** A motion was made by Vice-President C. Christine Cooper and was seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith, to approve the Financial Statement as presented for the month of December and to continue to pay the bills: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.

**ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Parking Tickets or Warnings – 0; Zoning Permits – 0; CEO Letters - 0

**STATE OF THE BOROUGH REPORT:**

1. Payment for Sidewalk – Stone Valley is requesting payment of 107,442.00 for sidewalk. 5% of payment is held until end of project. A motion was made by Councilperson LuAnn Yearick and was seconded by Councilperson Patrick Kelly to approve the payment: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
2. Sidewalk Extension through Stone Valley – A motion has been made by Councilperson Patrick Kelly and seconded by Councilperson Matthew Powell to approve extending sidewalk project through May 1<sup>st</sup> due to winter weather conditions: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0; Motion passed.
3. A motion was made by Councilperson Matthew Roan and seconded by Councilperson Daniel Smith to approve Paving Project for 2024 for following streets: Colyer Ave, Locust St, Decatur Alley, SR 144, Kelly St, and Julia Ave, at cost of roughly \$39,720.00: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old business to discuss.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No new business to discuss.

**CORRESPONDENCE (INCOMING):** Nothing to report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Borough News is hosting a Boot Camp for Council members on January 26 & 27, 2024 and March 8 & 9, 2024. Mayor read from Borough history book of 1896 and stated a Reservoir was installed in 1856.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Nothing new to report.

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORTS - from meetings they have called:**

- A. **STREETS – KELLY** – Nothing new to report.
- B. **WATER – ROAN** – Borough seeking to change labs from PACE and collecting data from other companies to switch.
- C. **FIRE AND POLICE – YEARICK** – Nothing new to report.
- D. **SOLID WASTE AND SIDEWALKS – POWELL** – Nothing new to report.
- E. **LIGHTS AND NUISANCE – SMITH** – Nothing new to report.
- F. **FIRE TAX – LONG/YEARICK** – The next meeting is January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m.
- G. **FINANCE – COOPER** – Nothing new to report.
- H. **TREE – LONG** – Nothing new to report.
- I. **TRI-MUNICIPAL PARK, INC. – OPEN** – appointing councilpersons next meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:30 p.m., it was moved by Councilperson LuAnn Yearick and was seconded by Councilperson Matthew Roan to adjourn the meeting: Ayes – 7; Nays – 0. Motion Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Mundy  
Centre Hall Borough Secretary