

May 2017 Work Session Items: *Scott Bower, Alvin Hill, Joanne Huntington, Late arrival Travis Petty and Andrew Shecktor. Absent Larry Surkin, Mayor Tim Burke, Jay Jarrett, Debra Force.*

People attending work session:

Tyler SEDA COG (file in your mailbox) Public Hearing at 5:30pm:

Jim Shotwell, Regatta Event: *Asked who his liaison with the Borough for the Boat Regatta would be. Alvin Hill said he would be. Mr. Shotwell asked if he could work with Jack Kyttle directly for what he wants. Alvin said ok. Mr. Shotwell said that the Boat Club would like to donate sail boat mast for a flag pole at the dock. All installation and supplies, including a solar light will be taken care of by the club. He would just need to know where Council would like it installed. Alvin will let him know.*

~~Kristen Lagosh~~ and Dave Kovach, WW II Event: *Addressed the group to ask permission to hold DRY FIRE re-enactment at the WWII event July 22nd & 23rd. NO LIVE AMMO. Two certified inspectors will inspect all weapons to make sure no live ammo is used. Council said they would leave this all up to the Borough Manager to approve. President of Council, Alvin Hill said before approval can be granted that WWII committee must provide a certificate of insurance naming the Borough of Berwick as an additional insured for the event. Commissioner Kovach asked about the showers for the re-enactors. Mr. Hill said the borough will pay for 2 portable showers and 4 port-a-potties for the event. Mr. Hill also asked that some sort of parade be done down Front Street.*

Gordon Neely of the Historical Society/Jackson Mansion: *Mr. Neely was here to see if Council would consider making the 2 properties (119 & 121 E. 5th Street) that they were recently gifted tax exempt. Commissioner Kovach went over the process for doing and stated that; if approved tax relief would not be until 2018. Mr. Neely said they have already started that process paperwork and the hearing would be in October. Council decided to wait on the County decision. Mr. Neely also said there would be a High Tea event on the lawn at the Mansion on June 10th.*

Items to be discussed tonight:

Shawn Donnelly- Alley (file is in your mailbox): *File you gave me was for his Wise truck issue not the alley. Alvin said let the Mayor handle it.*

Eaton Street Storm water /Montacalvo property update

Ask for brief written update from Greg & Curt for tonight's work session. *Alvin not happy with what was submitted (threw paper aside). No discussion on the issue.*

PLCB Approval is in place only until September 14, 2017 (sent e-mail to you): **PUT ON AGENDA**

Please speak with Jack and Tyler to make sure which items need to be discussed tonight

FOR AGENDA:

1. *Grant Street project: Approve Don E. Bower Change Order #1*
2. *West 6th Street, West 8th Street and Alley Behind Weis: Approve FFY 2016 Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment*

Paving of High School Avenue alley behind Martz Technology

Advertise to bid West 6th, West 8th Street and the alley behind Weis Markets

Approve engineer or to advertise

Orange Street and Fairchild Street light-no cost- do we need to put it on the agenda? *Install it, no vote needed.*

Senate Bill regarding Fire Police-Andy would like to discuss with Council: *Councilman Shecktor said the issue has been resolved.*

CDBG invoice (in your mailbox) Just need to mention it will be on the agenda. It is only 1 invoice:

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Safety Policy for Penn Prime- to get our discount: **PUT ON AGENDA**

Police Clerk successful candidate Debbie Oriendi at \$35,000. Debra will offer her the position tomorrow

(Borough Manager Ordinance): **Council ok with hire but not salary. PUT ON AGENDA**

Receptionist/Codes Enforcement Assistant full time vs part-time: **PUT ON AGENDA**

Historical Society new properties (file is in your mailbox) : *Home will be used for tours only. Tax relief must go thru the county approval process first. Council decided to wait and see what the County decides before they make a decision.*

Need to replace 3 slides at Ber Vaughn. Safety Issue! Allocate \$5000 from general fund. Might be able to be reimbursed with CDBG funds – I am working with the County CDBG for this: *Pend to see if the County will help.*

Alvin: Wants update on getting new health insurance policy.

Scott: Nothing to add

Andy: Nothing to add

Travis: Wants to see Berlin's titles for the sold properties.

Joanne: Wants Nancy's health insurance cost on agenda.