

January 6, 2025

MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of Dover Borough Council was held at Borough Hall, 46 Butter Road on Monday, January 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Mr. Slusser and junior council member, Ms. Slusser, were absent. All other members were present. President Sabold called the meeting to order. There was a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The December 2, 2024 minutes were reviewed. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion. President Sabold abstained due to not being present at the December meeting. All others were in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Deputy Chief McKeever provided the fire company report.

- They responded to 35 calls in December 2024. Seven of those calls were in the Borough. There was a zero loss. For 2024 there were 326 calls with 55 in the Borough. There was a \$450,000 loss.
- Deputy Chief McKeever inquired if the fire hydrant on Delwood Drive has been repaired. Since Mr. Grim was absent this will be checked on.
- Mayor Hernley swore in all the 2025 officers. Captain Platts read the list of 2025 officers.
- A form was presented to be signed for updating the call box information for York County.
- The December 2024, January and February 2025 calendars were reviewed. Trainings will be the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month along with a few roaming Saturdays or Sundays. Mr. Raffensberger added a carnival meeting for January 14 at 7 PM. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the calendars as presented with the added trainings and carnival meeting. Mrs. Koch seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- Captain Platts mentioned he will forward the invoice for the EMA radios that were serviced to Mrs. Plowman for payment.

EMA report – Ms. Zarlenga added that a quarterly virtual training will be Wednesday at 6 PM. The topic covers dealing with a diverse religious community. Captain Platts requested finding another location for the EMC office since they are running out of room and at times have conflicting trainings. The fire station is the designated headquarters for an emergency and would still be handled from there in the case of an actual emergency. This will be looked into further.

Police Report – Mayor Hernley reported the new station continues to be set for completion and to be open in June or July. Corporal Eiker has been promoted to Sergeant and Office Lebo promoted to Corporal. Another officer has been added to make a total of 69 officers. York New Salem Borough joined as of January 1, 2025.

SEWER

Public Works Report – Mr. Grim was absent. Nothing to add.

Engineer's Report – Mr. Lipinski was absent. President Sabold reported he is waiting on information on the vacuum test. A letter was sent to Dutchland about the failed epoxy repair. He received a read receipt but has not gotten a response yet.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Herrold tabled the sewer rate for the IMA. He will be in contact with Mr. Miller about this.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

WATER

Public Works Report - Nothing to add.

Engineer's Report – None

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Herrold tabled the water rate for the IMA. He will be in contact with Mr. Miller. Mr. Hassinger asked about the well testing. Mr. Herrold will check on the status of this.

Old Business – None

New Business – None

BOROUGH

Public Works Report – Nothing to add.

Zoning Manager's Report – Nothing to add.

Engineer's Report – President Sabold reported Mr. Lipinski just received the invoice from Kinsley Construction for the Butter Road project. He will make a recommendation of payment at the February meeting. Mr. Lipinski is waiting for a meeting date with Providence Engineering in reference to the culvert on Butter Road.

Solicitor's Report – Mr. Herrold presented five Resolutions for Union Fire & Hose for their special dinners. Mrs. Koch made a motion to approve Resolutions 2025-01, 2025-02, 2025-03, 2025-04 and 2025-05. These are for the special dinners at the Union Fire & Hose on April 12, May 10, August 2, September 13 and November 15, 2025. Ms. Snyder seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mr. Herrold left the meeting at 7:31 PM.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Hernley reported he swore in the new officers at the Union Fire & Hose. He will be attending the school board meeting and the Explorer program meeting through NYCRPD.

Ambulance Club Report – Nothing to add.

Secretary's Report – Nothing to add.

Treasurer's Report – Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Old Business – The Resolution authorizing the agreement between Shenandoah Cable and the Borough was approved last month. Signing of the actual agreement needs approval. Ms. Snyder made a motion to approve signing the agreement with Shenandoah Cable for the franchise agreement which was prepared by Cohen Law Group. Mr. Raffensberger seconded the notion and all were in favor.

Mr. Hassinger recapped from the last meeting that the Borough granted permission for Dover Diamond Sports (DDS) to extend the base lines at Ketterman Park. They also requested placing a temporary fence. The request has been updated to include a fence for the second ballfield. Parking and maintenance of the fences was discussed. There is no parking allowed on the grass but cars are permitted to park at the Dover Elementary school. DDS agreed to trim around the fences. Mr. Hassinger made a motion to approve DDS to install two temporary fences at Ketterman Park for the 2025 season. Mr. Neiman seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New Business – Mr. Sabold spoke to Mr. Klinger from Spring Valley Mulch. Mr. Klinger is requesting the removal of several parking spaces on the west side of N Main Street so his trucks can make a right turn easier from Butter Road onto N Main Street. President Sabold agreed to bring it to Council but let him know that it is a tight corner to begin with and is very close to the corner house. The Borough had previously requested all trucks to go to the square to turn north. Mr. Klinger says that does them no good since cars pull up past the white line which makes it difficult to turn the corner. Council did not agree to take parking spaces away. The Borough is short on parking spaces on Main Street already and it would take spaces away in front of New Hope Ministries. President Sabold will respond to Mr. Klinger with this decision.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Hassinger made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Raffensberger. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Plowman
Secretary/Treasurer