

Thought for the Day – “May we think of freedom, not at the right to do as we please,
but as the opportunity to do what is right!”
~ Peter Marshall

Prior to the start of the meeting, an informational meeting was held. Ralph Jenko, Deputy Mayor of the City of Latrobe, was present to review the purpose and details of the Foothills COG that is being formed. 6:30 PM – 6:55 PM

The Youngwood Borough Council held its regular session on the above date with the meeting being called to order at 7:00 PM and the following members present:

President Palmquist, Mr. Crago, Mr. Hajdukiewicz, Mr. Lutz, Mr. Peoria, Mayor Long, Solicitor DiMascio, and Borough Manager Schaefer.

Mr. Cowherd arrived at 7:02 PM

Mrs. Wojtseck-Carty, Engineer Schmitt and Junior Councilperson Horchak were absent from the meeting.

Mr. Peoria opened the meeting with a prayer.

President Palmquist led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Attendance – 1

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Susan Ayres of North 6th Street was present to acknowledge the Council for serving at sometimes a thankless job. She has not attended a meeting for awhile and just wanted to take the time to be here.

TREASURERS REPORT

The Borough Manager presented the financial report on the accrual basis for the General Fund, unaudited, for the period ending May 31, 2024.

General Fund Balance Sheet	
Total Assets	\$2,587,386.37
Total Liabilities	138,986.28
Fund Balance Reserve	82,000.20
Retained Earnings	1,997,137.21
Total Income 5/31/2024	369,730.03
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$2,587,386.37
Total Revenues	\$ 439,380.50
Total Expenses	122,787.10
Total Income	\$ 316,593.40

The Borough Manager presented the Treasurer’s Report, for the period ending May 31, 2024.

<u>Treasurer's Report of Fund Balances as of May 31, 2024</u>	
Capital Improvement Fund – General	\$195,253.73
Liquid Fuels Fund	249,321.69
Capital Improvement Fund - P & P	29,899.70
Fire Equipment & Apparatus	24,161.67
Act 13 Fund	29,565.43
Cemetery Fund	10,266.69
Perpetual Care Fund	6,244.17
Perpetual Care – C.D.	6,043.21
Perpetual Care – C.D.	12,984.50
C.D.-Mellon Bank	4,025.08
Playground Fund	6,423.37
ARPA Fund	299,985.42

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTORS

The Borough Manager distributed the report from Kenneth W. Reger for the period ended April 30, 2024, for real estate tax collection \$276,513.78 and May 31, 2024, for real estate tax collection \$13,482.32. She distributed the report from Berkheimer Tax Administrator for month ending May 31, 2024, Earned Income Tax, \$65,305.11; Local Service Tax, \$11,143.30.

Report of permits issued May 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024.

Report on Realty Transfer Fees from May 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024, \$2,815.00 was received.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

The secretary presented Bills for Approval dated July 1, 2024, List 07-2024, General Fund \$100,246.96.

Motion by Mr. Crago, seconded by Mr. Hajdukiewicz, to approve Bills for Approval List 06-2024, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Crago	- Yes	Mr. Hajdukiewicz	- Yes
Mr. Peoria	- Yes	Mrs. Wojtseck-Carty	- Absent
Mr. Cowherd	- Yes	Mr. Palmquist	- Yes
Mr. Lutz	- Yes		

6 – Yes 0 – No

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Received deposit in the amount of \$804.54 from Crown Communications for June rent.
2. Received deposit in the amount of \$4,675.30 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for 2023 Act 13 funding. Council will have to allocate how it is to be spent.
3. Received donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 from the Genard Family in memory of Matt Genard. Letter was read.
4. Received audit of Magisterial District Judge Scott A. Fanchalsky for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 as submitted by Westmoreland County Controller Jeffrey Balzer.
5. Received check in the amount of \$6,416.96 for 2nd Quarter 2024 Delinquent Taxes.
6. Received check in the amount of \$40,000.00 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the reimbursement of the Green Light Go Route 119 Detector Upgrade.
7. Received thank you from Mutual Aid for the Borough's donation to their EMS week.
8. Thanked the Youngwood Volunteer Fire Department for completing the list of proposed Red X properties. Five properties have been identified and seven additional properties have been identified pending inside conditions.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Long reported the new parklet sign looks great.

Reminded residents that there are regulations for setting off fireworks please adhere to them.

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

Finance/Personnel – Mr. Cowherd

2023 Annual Audit

Motion by Mr. Cowherd, seconded by Mr. Peoria, to approve the 2023 Annual Audit submitted by DeBlasio & DeBlasio.

Motion carried.

Request for Proposals for Engineering and Solicitor Services

Motion by Mr. Cowherd, seconded by Mr. Lutz, to seek request for proposals for Engineering and Solicitor services.

Motion carried.

Public Works/Equipment/Buildings & Grounds – Mr. Lutz

Intermunicipal Agreement

Motion by Mr. Lutz, seconded by Mr. Crago, to approve the Intermunicipal Agreement with New Stanton Borough to permit usage of the Borough's repeater system.

Motion carried.

Columbia Gas Proposed Project

Motion by Mr. Lutz, seconded by Mr. Cowherd, to approve the agreement with Columbia Gas for the Fall 2025/2026 south end proposed gas line project.

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

President Palmquist announced the following dates:

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| July 4 | - Independence Day, Holiday, Office Closed |
| July 15 | - 125 th Committee Meeting @ 6:30 PM |
| July 29 th | - Agenda Meeting @ 7:00 PM |
| August 3 rd | - Community Picnic 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM |
| August 5 th | - Council Meeting @ 7:00 PM |

Motion by Mr. Lutz, seconded Mr. Cowherd, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Diane M. Schaefer
Borough Manager

Scott Palmquist, President
YOUNGWOOD BOROUGH COUNCIL