

Summit Hill Borough Council
August 8, 2023, 7:00 p.m. Borough Hall

The regular scheduled meeting of the Summit Hill Borough Council was held at the above time and place with Vice President William O’Gurek presiding.

Roll Call – Vice President William O’Gurek, Gino DeGiosio, Karen Ruzicka, Alan Kruslicky, Joseph Weber, David Wargo and Mayor Jeffrey Szczecina were in attendance. President Michael Kokinda and Solicitor Robert Frycklund were absent.

Floor –

1. Nancy Kerestus, 314 West White Bear Drive, expressed her concerns about the garbage laying on the sides of the roads and on top of the storm grates when traveling up the hill into town. She contacted Representative Knowles, Representative Heffley, County Commissioners, Senator Argall and PennDOT and got nowhere. She asked Council if there is anything they can do to help. She understands that it is not a borough roadway but feels if they reach out to these offices, they will get better results. Vice President O’Gurek asked Ms. Kerestus to drop off the information to the borough office and they will reach out to the same offices to see what they can do.
2. Kathy Gieniec, President of the Recreation Commission, mentioned that the date for Movie in the Park was changed to Tuesday, August 15, 2023 starting at dusk. She also said that they will be having an Adult Paint & Sip on September 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center and will be starting the gardening program with Sheree Grant on Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 10-11:00 a.m. in the Community Center then they will walk over to the garden at the Heritage Center. The gardening program will be every Saturday from October until March. Ms. Gieniec asked if there is something booked in the center, can they use the fire company training room. She also mentioned that the electrical work in Ludlow Park has been started and thank Karen Ruzicka for getting the grant to upgrade the electricity.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to amend the agenda to include the approval of the events for the Summit Hill Recreation Commission. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to approve the request from the Summit Hill Recreation Commission to change the date of the Movie in the Park to August 15, 2023, to hold an Adult Paint and Sip in the Community Center on September 19, 2023 starting at 6 p.m. and to hold a gardening program every Saturday starting October 7, 2023 until March 2024 from 10-11:00 a.m. in the Community Center and finishing at the Heritage Center. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

3. Sandy Dellicker, 99 West Mountaintop Road, was following up on a complaint that was given to the borough months ago regarding the first two lots on West Mountaintop Road. The second lot isn’t as bad as the first lot. They had submitted letter that was signed by the whole neighborhood, and it was given to the Zoning Officer. Since there is no longer a Zoning Officer, the garbage is starting to accumulate again, and she would like to know what is going to be done about it. Mayor Szczecina explained that Officer Bell issued citations to both property owners. One of the property owners requested a hearing but he never showed up for the hearing. The magistrate fined that person \$200, which is pending. The other property owner has not responded to the citation. Both property owners were issued a second citation, which is also pending. Chief Woodward is doing the initial follow up, since Officer Bell is no longer with us. He did have a discussion with Councilman Wargo about the properties and are in agreement with her concerns about the properties. It is something that is being addressed but they cannot go onto the property to clean it up, but they are going through the legal process and citations were issued. He suggested that the property owners be notified when the hearings were going to be held and it was not done by the arresting officer,

the property owner did not show up and was found guilty of the violations. The District Magistrate said that if additional citations are filed, the fines will increase.

4. Vice President O’Gurek read a statement prepared by Solicitor Frycklund regarding Officer Jason Bell. Following a brief executive session, Summit Hill Borough Council reconvened its public meeting on Monday, July 17, 2023, at which a majority of the members of Council voted in the affirmative on a motion to terminate the Borough’s employment of Jason Bell prior to the expiration of his probationary employment period. Ordinarily, Borough Council would not publicly comment on the involuntary termination of a Borough employee except as strictly required by statute or order of court. However, because Mr. Bell has chosen to publicly disparage the Borough and its elected officials by representing that the Borough has acted in a manner which he describes as “illegal”, the Borough will formally respond as follows:

The Borough categorically denies Mr. Bell’s unspecified and unfounded allegations of illegality, and if necessary, will vigorously defend against any such claims should they formally arise in any other forum at another time, either at law or in equity. During his time with the Borough, certain issues relating to aspects of Mr. Bell’s job performance arose and were specifically discussed with Mr. Bell. Unfortunately, Mr. Bell did not satisfactorily resolve those issues prior to the conclusion of his probationary employment period, which resulted in his termination. Ultimately, just as we all have unique strengths and experiences, it appears that Mr. Bell’s provisional employment as a Summit Hill Borough Police Officer and as the Borough Zoning Officer was not a good fit for his particular skills and abilities. Nevertheless, the Borough regards Mr. Bell as an intelligent, personable, and capable individual who will no doubt go on to have a successful career elsewhere with another employer, or in another field of his choosing. In that regard, we, the members of Summit Hill Borough Council, sincerely wish Mr. Bell the best of luck in all of his future endeavors.

Upon the advice of the Borough solicitor, no follow-up questions will be answered, and no further comments will be offered by the Borough of Summit Hill at this time.

5. Joanie Morana, 104 East Ludlow Street, expressed her thoughts about how they handled the situation with Officer Bell.

Minutes – Motion was made by Karen Ruzicka and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to approve the meeting minutes from the July 17, 2023 Council meetings. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Szczecina reported the total collected from the District Justice was \$655.48, nothing was received from Carbon of Schuylkill County. He also mentioned the following:

- He mentioned the 3 on 3 basketball tournament was held this past weekend and a pretty successful event.
- August 19, 2023 will be the annual Cornhole Tournament at the Community Center.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to accept the mayor’s report for the month of July 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Police Report – Mary Ann Szczecina asked if they were going to give a report. Mayor Szczecina said the report was given to Council. Kira Steber said that she does have packets to give to the public after the meeting, as per the policy that was written and approved at last month’s meeting. **Motion was made by Alan Kruslicky and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to accept the Police report for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Planning and Zoning – No report was given in the absence of a zoning officer. Kira Steber did mention that Solicitor Frycklund suggested appointing a temporary Zoning Officer until someone is hired and also appointing an Alternate Zoning Officer so if we ever have another situation like now, we have an alternate to fall back on. Ms. Morana asked what happened to the complaints that were being handled by Officer Bell. Mayor Szczecina said that the police will follow up on it and if there are any questions, call Chief Woodward. Council asked Kira Steber to put it on social media that they are looking for a temporary Zoning Officer and an Alternate Zoning Officer. If anyone is interested, they can drop a letter of interest off at the borough office.

UCC and Code Enforcement Report – Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to accept the UCC and Code Enforcement report for the month of July 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Work Leader Report – Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to accept the Work Leader report for the month of July 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Tax Collector Report - Nathan Halenar submitted his Tax Collector Report for the month of July 2023. Total collected was \$43,187.15 with a commission of \$1,295.61. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to accept the Tax Collector Report for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report – Portnoff submitted their Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report for the month of July 2023. Total collected was \$661.49; the monthly expense reimbursement was \$275.59 for April, May and June. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to accept the Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council. Vice President O’Gurek said there is information from Portnoff regarding House Bill 291. David Wargo said his understanding of the bill is if the borough has a lien on a property, it diverts the lien and puts it below other creditors so when it is cleared the borough ends up on the short end of the stick and everyone gets paid before them. Gino DeGiosio said there has to be a modification to the loan in order to trigger it. **Motion was made by Karen Ruzicka and seconded by David Wargo to contact the state representative to oppose House Bill 291.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion was carried by majority vote with Gino DeGiosio abstaining due to being a bank employee.

Wage Tax Report – Berkheimer submitted their Wage Tax Report for the month of July 2023. Total EIT submitted was \$16,614.65 with a commission of \$287.43 and postage charges of \$20.11. Total LST submitted was \$14.80 with no commission or postage charges. Total DLT submitted was \$79.75 in delinquent Occupation Tax and \$33.00 in delinquent Per Capita Tax. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to accept the Wage Tax report for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Delinquent Garbage Collection Report – Central Credit Audit submitted their Delinquent Garbage Collection Report for the month of July 2023. Total collected from Central Credit was \$294.49 and total collected from the Borough was \$360.00. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to accept the Delinquent Garbage Collection Report for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Receipts – Total receipts received for the month of July 2023 were \$98,396.59. **Motion was made by Gino DeGiosio and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to accept the Receipts for the month of July 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Committee Reports

Police - Councilman Wargo said the deadline for applications was today, with three applications being received. He asked that Council move forward with testing for a full-time police officer. Marlene Basiago asked why they are hiring three additional officers when only one needs to be replaced. Vice President O’Gurek explained that there is one position opened and three applicants that applied for the position. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to start the testing process for the full-time police officer position.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Recreation - Councilwoman Ruzicka said the only thing she has to add is that they are working on getting the electric replaced in Ludlow Park. Kira Steber asked Ms. Gieniec if she could talk to the people who play Pickleball and ask them to put the nets away when they are finished. The last time the cleaning person went into the building the nets were still up and she didn’t want to move them.

Buildings - Kira Steber updated Council on the progress of the HVAC project. They are done with the unit for the borough office. They are just about done with the unit for the Council Chambers but ran into some additional problems with the electrical and getting parts to finish the project. The next step is to start the unit at the Community Center, which has not been scheduled just yet.

Emergency Services - Councilman Weber stated he had a brief meeting with a few officers of the Fire Co. regarding the new tanker that will be completed within a month or so. It is currently on its way to being built. The borough needs to send a payment request form in for the grant money, so it is received by the time the truck is delivered in mid to late September. Vice President O’Gurek commended the Fire Co. for a very successful golf tournament. Chief Hoben thanked all the sponsors and stated that there were about 126 golfers.

Economic Development – Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to amend the agenda to discuss applying for a LSA grant for a project through the Summit Hill Historical Society. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Councilman Wargo has talked to several state representatives, members of the borough and had a meeting in July, with the Historical Society being gracious enough to host a meeting for him. He is looking to start a heritage attraction in Summit Hill and put the town on the map due to our history. He is asking to have a motion made to apply for the grant to begin the planning process to build the attraction with the Historical Society being their advisory partner. There is a cost of \$100 for the application fee, which he is hoping Council will be kind enough to pay. He will abstain from any action with this project since he is the principal of the project. **Motion was made by Alan Kruslicky and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to have the borough apply for a LSA grant for a heritage attraction, with the Historical Society being the advisory partner for the project, at a cost of \$100.00 for the application fee.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried by majority vote with David Wargo abstaining due to his involvement with the project. Mr. Wargo added that he is working with Sara Ruch, who is a former partnership director, and Brad Hurley from David Argall’s office to apply for the grant. It is being done as a team.

Councilman DeGiosio acknowledged Dave’s involvement in the time and effort that he put into the presentation. For those that were not able to attend, it was very enlightening and gave him a good feeling about moving forward with the project. Vice President O’Gurek added that is has been on of Dave’s visions for a long time and is a little too modest to take credit for it. Mr. Wargo thanked everyone who supported him.

Councilman Wargo gave a brief explanation about the heritage attraction that he is looking to bring to the borough.

Motion was made by Karen Ruzicka and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to accept the Committee Reports for the month of July 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Communications –

1. Request from Tatum O'Brien to use the Community Center and parking lot for a cornhole tournament and basket auction on August 19, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. until the end of the event. Also asking for permission to close off Iron Street between Walnut and Market Streets for placement of a food truck. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to grant permission to Tatum O'Brien to hold the annual cornhole tournament on August 19, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. until the event is over at the Hill Top Community Center and to allow her to close off Iron Street from Walnut to Market for the food truck.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
2. Request received from Mary Ann Szczecina, Jayne Turner, and Nancy Kerestus to use Ludlow Park on Monday, September 18, 2023 starting at 6:00 p.m. for a Meet and Greet by the candidates running for Council. Rain date will be Tuesday, September 19, 2023. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to give conditional approval for the Meet and Greet on September 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Ludlow Park, with a rain date of September 19th pending the approval of the Borough Solicitor.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
3. Request from Summit Hill Historical Society for permission to have Jay Smart play in the gazebo in Ludlow Park on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 from 6-7:00 p.m. and to use the electricity. **Motion was made by Karen Ruzicka and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to grant permission to the Summit Hill Historical Society to have Jay Smart play in the gazebo in Ludlow Park on August 16, 2023 from 6-7:00 p.m. and use the electricity.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried by majority vote with David Wargo abstaining due to being a member of the Historical Society.

Communications for the Month of July 2023:

1. Request from Tatum O'Brien to use the Community Center parking lot on August 19, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. until the end of the event and would like approval to close Iron Street between Walnut and Market Street for placement of the food truck.
2. Request from Mary Ann Szczecina, Jayne Turner, and Nancy Kerestus to use Ludlow Park for a Meet and Greet by the candidates running for Council on Monday, September 18, 2023 starting at 6:00 p.m., with a rain date of Tuesday, September 19, 2023.
3. Request from Summit Hill Historical Society for permission to have Jay Smar play in the gazebo in Ludlow Park on Wednesday, August 16, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. also to use the electricity.
4. Notice of Property Assessment from the Carbon County Board of Assessment and Revision of Taxes
5. Email from Tammy Anthony, Community Manager of the Lansford Townhouses, about a Community Service Give Back Day on Friday, October 13, 2023
6. December 31, 2022 audit of the District Court #56-3-03 from the Carbon County Controller

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to accept communications for the month of July 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Bills – General Fund \$196,474.36, Community Center \$667.88, Sanitation Account \$28,184.15, Street Account \$43,072.44 and Capital Improvement Fund - Borough Building \$42,650. **Motion was made by Alan Kruslicky and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to pay the bills from July 18 - August 8, 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

New Business –

1. Vice President O’Gurek said they received the annual service agreement from H.T. Lyons at a cost of \$2,908, which is \$140 increase from last year. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to enter into a service agreement with H.T. Lyons at a cost of \$2,908.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
2. Request from Kira Steber to sign up for a five-part series webinar for Municipal Budgeting at a cost of \$100. **Motion was made by Karen Ruzicka and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to grant permission to Kira Steber to take the five-part series webinar for Municipal Budgeting from 10-11:00 a.m. on 8/24, 8/31, 9/7, 9/14 and 9/21/23 at a cost of \$100.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
3. Kira Steber asked if Council would consider paying Mary Ann Eickhoff, previous assistant secretary, for assisting the office staff with the quarterly garbage billing. She spent 4 1/2 hours assisting Ms. Watto with the process. In the past, Council hired people as a consultant for the borough. She is asking for her to be paid \$23 per hour, which would be a total cost of \$103.50. She very much appreciated Mary Ann taking the time to come and train Jillian. **Motion was made by Gino DeGiosio and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to pay Mary Ann Eickhoff \$23 per hour for time spent training the new Assistant Secretary.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
4. Kira Steber has a request to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Sewer Account for funds borrowed for operating expenses in 2022 and 2023. This is done so the borough does not have to take out a Tax Anticipation Note and pay it back with interest. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to transfer \$171,110.17 from the General Fund to the Sewer Account to reimburse the funds borrowed for operating expenses in 2022 and 2023.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
5. Kira Steber also requested making the budget transfer of a total of \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Accounts, as per the breakdown in the 2023 budget. **Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to transfer \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Accounts, as per the 2023 budget.** Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.
6. Councilman Wargo talked about a proposed Comprehensive Quality of Life Abatement Plan that he has been working on. The purpose of the plan is to outline an intensive Quality of Life Enforcement and Abatement initiative as legislated and outlined in Chapter 350, Article 2, Quality of Life code outlined in the Summit Hill Borough Code adopted October 14, 2013 as Ordinance Number Two of 2013 and the Safety and Welfare (Vector Control) Ordinance 5 of 2022.

Justification for the Plan:

WHEREAS Residents of the Borough of Summit Hill deserve the right to live in a healthy and safe environment,

AND WHEREAS the Borough Council of Summit Hill has attempted to provide that healthy and safe environment by citing violators of the Quality-Of-Life regulations one or more times and have been unsuccessful in achieving a property clean up to a state that is safe and healthy for the property residents and their neighbors,

AND WHEREAS the Borough Council has been mandated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Title 8 The Borough Code, Chapter 12, Section 1202, Section 5 allows us “To make regulations as may be

necessary for the health, safety, morals, general welfare and cleanliness and beauty, convenience, comfort and safety of the borough.”,

AND WHEREAS the Borough Council recognizes that there are properties throughout the borough of Summit Hill which are violating these regulations and their owners and residents have consistently refused to bring their property into compliance,

THEREFORE The Borough Council, the Mayor and the Summit Hill Police Department intend to execute an aggressive enforcement and abatement initiative as authorized in the Quality-Of-Life code to address this issue for the purpose of protecting neighboring properties, borough property values and the health and safety of its residents. (Sections 350-7 through 350-24) and Safety and Welfare Ordinance 5 of 2022 as outlined below.

Summary of the Plan is as Follows:

- a. The borough will contract a Quality-of-Life Outdoor Cleaning Service and an exterminator.
- b. The Borough will allocate funding to cover this abatement from available money in the current budget and we will provide an allocation in the 2024 budget minimally to address this program.
- c. At a date to be determined, the borough will provide a two-week grace period for residents to clean up their properties.
- d. At the conclusion of that period, the police will begin issuing tickets and citations to violators of the Quality-of-Life ordinance focusing on outdoor issues.
- e. This ticketing will be executed daily for an undetermined time period of not less than two weeks.
- f. Anyone still in violation will be subject to abatement of the property by the Borough and will be charged with the cleaning and security costs for the abatement.
- g. Failure to pay the bill will result in the borough filing suit to recover the costs and attorney fees in lieu of filing a lien. If necessary we will amend the ordinance to allow this to occur.
- h. This enforcement program may be repeated without notice as often as necessary until compliance is achieved.
- i. This program will continue as long as there are available funds. This fund will be supplemented by all fines and cost surpluses received through this program.

The borough would advise property owners in violation to immediately begin making arrangements to bring their properties into compliance as soon as possible as this program will begin in the fall.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Gino DeGiosio to request that the solicitor review the abatement plan, to have the Borough Secretary look for available funds in the budget and to have permission to work with the Mayor, Solicitor and any member of Council that would like to help put together RFPs for an outside contractor and exterminator to go onto the properties and start cleaning them up. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council. Mr. Wargo thanked Chief Woodward, the Mayor and the members of Council who helped put the plan together. Joanie Morana thanked them for putting this together. Mr. Wargo added that they do care, they do hear what they are saying, and they understand. They know that it is frustrating, and they know they can't share everything with them, but they do care.

Joseph Bohovich, West White Street, asked if this type of plan has been successful in any other town. Councilman Wargo said it is an original idea based on their ordinances.

7. Carbon County and Beyond Regional Tourism Summit - Councilwoman Ruzicka stated that it was a very interesting summit. They did homework, divided into groups, discussed what they would like to see come to our towns, what they would like to see in other towns, what is important and how they can improve the town for tourism. She added that there will be a follow up meeting. Councilman Wargo stated that he learned that tourism is an even larger industry than what he dreamed. There are about a quarter million tourists that come through the Poconos and Jim Thorpe has somewhere between 7,00-40,000 annually. One thing that seemed to come up in all the groups is the No. 9 Mine is underutilized and it can profit from a health boost from the right people and marketing wise. The idea is to capitalize and regionalize off of Jim Thorpe. He felt it was very informative and there are a lot of people interested in tourism in the County. There is a vested interest in the state to build a corridor on tourism from Jim Thorpe through Tamaqua. There is a lot of money being dumped into the area. Having tourism in the area will help improve our property values, make things better and bring a better quality of people to the area.
8. Councilman Wargo discussed a Blueprint Community Project that was presented to a handful of people after the summit. It is a very competitive project and is the project that brought the money into downtown Tamaqua. Grant rounds are opening up again in Pennsylvania. Summit Hill, along with several other communities, were personally selected by Dave Argall's office to talk to them about applying for the grants. There is a bank in Pittsburgh that does lending and helps foster community growth through low interest loans. He got the impression that the Carbon County Economic Development Group, headed by Kathy Henderson, would like them to apply for it but to also consider applying for a Panther Valley regional grant. There are 2,651 municipalities that are eligible to apply but only 7 will be awarded funds.
9. Councilman Wargo also mentioned there will be a Land Bank Summit on August 22, 2023 at Memorial Hall in Jim Thorpe that all of the municipal officials are invited to attend. The meeting is to learn about land banking and how it can benefit combating blight. If anyone would like to attend, they will need to call Dave Argall's office.

Motion was made by Joseph Weber and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to enter into an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and possible litigation at 8:17 p.m. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Karen Ruzicka to enter back into regular session at 9:01 p.m. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Motion was made by Gino DeGiosio and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to amend the agenda to approve the final payment of the Ginder Field Rehabilitation Project to Carbon Engineering, with interest included, contingent on the acceptance of solicitor's payment agreement that has been prepared and sent to Carbon Engineering. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Motion was made by Gino DeGiosio and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to approve the payment to Carbon Engineering for the last phase of the Ginder Field Rehabilitation Project, plus interest, as per the solicitor's payment agreement. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Motion was made by David Wargo and seconded by Alan Kruslicky to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. until the next regular meeting of the Summit Hill Borough on September 12, 2023. Motion was opened for comment; none made. Motion carried unanimously by Council.

Michael Kokinda
Council President

Kira Steber
Secretary/Treasurer