The Regular Monthly Meeting of Dupont Borough Council was called to order at 6:00pm on Tuesday evening, May 14, 2024 by President of Council Stanley Knick.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mr. Knick – Present	Mr. Kowalczyk – Present
Mr. Karkut – Present	Mr. Price – Present
Mr. Jones – Present	Mayor Lello – Present

MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL AND PLACE ON FILE
Motion: Mr. Jones
Second: Mr. Karkut
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED
Motion: Mr. Jones
Second: Mr. Karkut
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT
Motion: Mr. Kowalczyk
Second: Mr. Jones
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

MOTION TO APPOINT THE PART TIME POLICE FROM MAY 14, 2024 TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL (WITH NO GUARANTEE OF WORK): Bryan Besecker, Duane Saunders, Jennifer Polemitis, Christopher Fargione, Michael Sniscak and New Hire: Andrew LaBar.
Motion: Mr. Price
Second: Mr. Jones
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report:

General Fund - $ 71,954.32
Payroll Fund - $ 8,573.27
ARPA Fund - $ 20,012.08
Admin Debit Card - $ 136.55
Police Debit Card - $ 77.95
Refuse Fund - $ 184,223.44
Sewer Maintenance Fund - $ 341,223.67
Liquid Fuels Fund - $ 264,960.42
Police Pension Fund - $ 1,082,758.23
Special Fund - $ 86,677.49
Clock Fund - $ 3,000.00

Tax Collector Report:

Balance Collectable Beginning of April - $ 148,513.85
Less Face Collections for the Month - $109,413.63
Less Exonerations: $35.79
Less Discounts: $2,168.82
Received check #226 in the amount of $107,244.81 which was deposited into the General Fund.

Mayor: No Report
Solicitor: No Report

Police Report: Chief Doran read the April statistical report as follows: criminal arrests-3; traffic citations-58; non traffic citations-3; appearances in county court-6; appearances in magisterial court-24; motor vehicle accidents-14; assist to ems/fire-5; assist to other police dept.-18; alarms-6; thefts-3; vandalism-3; disorderly conduct-3; PFA violations-4; domestic reports-10; suspicious activity-9; DUI arrest-3; assault/harassment-6; drug offense-1; miscellaneous calls-43; building checks-31; code enforcement/rental inspections-8; Vehicle Mileage: Car#1 F150 – 56,222; Car # 2 Explorer – 25,502; Car # 3 Explorer – 23,489. Magistrate Fines Collected - $3,871.97.

Fire Dept. Report: Submitted by Donald Hudzinski Jr., Fire Chief. Total Incidents: 11. Paid Staff Responses-2; Volunteer Responses-9: Incident Type: Fire Alarm-2; Motor Vehicle Accident-5; Vehicle Fire-2; Investigation-1; Wires Down-1; Jurisdiction: Dupont Borough-7; Hughestown Borough-1; Avoca Borough-1; Laflin Borough-1; PA Turnpike-1.

Engineer's Report: (1) Our office did mark outs for PA One Calls (2) Liquid Fuels Project ready to be advertised and bids due June 11th. (3) Garage Grant – We no longer have a costars dealer so that changes the conversation. We are looking into alternatives. (4) Basketball Court Project – We were able to get some professional courtesy from the surveyor for the high rise. We have to modify for our format. That saved thousands of dollars. (5) Multimodal Paving project – we may have to reach out to Ron Ralston, we are ready to go and still waiting on Penn DOT ok to bid (6) Stell plans to be back in to pave Almond and Everhart at the end of the month. DEP still has to come in and do their closeout. (7) Quail Hill – the

shoulder paving was approved via change order and then it came up about street lights for quail hill drive. We talked to PennDOT it is approved through the grant. We talked to PP&L who will install if we dig the trench. I am waiting for a price from the contractor. There is $95,000 left in the grant. Once we get the price we can just work with PP&L for the workorder. PP&L will drop the pole on whatever side the borough chooses. Our initial thought is put it on the left side. But we are open to change. They should be back in the end of the month as well. (8) Hose Company grant - They dropped the ball, they did not realize they had the go ahead. They did check their email and we are meeting with them tomorrow at 1pm.

Code Enforcement Report: Joey Jones reported the following: 2 notice of violations issued, 9 rental inspections completed, 2 cases closed, and 16 citations filed at the magistrate office for miscellaneous violations and 9 work permits from BHW.

Crime Watch Report: Meeting last month included a discussion with the officer on issues happening in town. The next meeting is May 28th at 7 pm.

Council President Report: Stan reported the following: 74.69 tons trash, 5.03 tons of comingle, and 7.82 tons paper. Packer mileage is 4,806 and F550 mileage is 51,370. (1) Complaint on Commerce Road, no yellow lines. There is a proposal on the agenda tonight from Universal for $3750 from Suscon to Freeport. (2) We have about $18,000 left in the ARPA grant. We have a proposal to repair the front steps and a proposal for new council chairs. The steps is $4,452 and the chairs are $4,712. (3) There is a wedding scheduled at the Borough Building on June 13th. (4) Census updates – In 2010 the population was 2704, in 2020 the population was 2539. (5) The pump station electric bill went from $175.00 to $649.00. We called PP&L and they said call the maintenance guy. Called Environmental Services and they said call PP&L.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORTS PRESENTED.
Motion: Mr. Karkut
Second: Mr. Jones
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

1. Universal Line Painting – Double Yellow Center Line Commerce from Suscon to Freeport $3750.00 from Liquid Fuels
   Motion: Mr. Kowalczyk double yellow center line only
   Second: Mr. Price

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

2. HJD Enterprises – Concrete add on repairs to front steps for ADA compliance - $4452.00 from ARPA monies
   Motion: Mr. Kowalczyk
   Second: Mr. Jones

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

3. BMC Office Furniture (Global)– Chairs for Council Chambers - $4712.00 from ARPA monies
   Motion: Mr. Karkut
   Second: Mr. Jones

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

Hold off on quote from Medico for broom attachment for skidsteer $7200.00
Hold off on quote from IWDA for proposal for management and implementation of boroughs pave cut ordinance and marking out pa one calls.

MOTION TO BID OUT THE FOLLOWING STREETS FOR PAVING UNDER LIQUID FUELS FOR 2024: Serling, Jackson, Sunset from Lidy to Chapel, and 200 block of Holden from Walnut to Spruce as per specs. Bids will be opened and read and awarded at the June 11th meeting.
Motion: Mr. Price
Second: Mr. Kowalczyk
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

MOTION TO MOVE FORWARD TO COMPLETE STREET LIGHT INSTALLATION IN THE QH DEVELOPMENT FROM THE BYPASS TO CAMBRIDGE CIRCLE WORKING WITH PP&L USING REMAINING FUNDS FROM THE QH GRANT FOR TRENCHING COSTS AND OTHER COSTS APPROVED THROUGH PENNDOT
Motion: Mr. Jones
Second: Mr. Karkut
Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, yes; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes; Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Jones, yes.
Motion Carried 5/0.

Matters from Residents:

Joe Cigan – (1) 124 Main Street Violations - Read the letter from the State. Also asked council to send another letter to the State when it comes time in 2025 for the car sales license to be renewed since they are renewed every two years. (2) Blasting Permit for the work near Quail Hill at Stell's property. That permit should be renewed every two years. Along with council sending a letter, Joe will also send a personal letter along with others to the State.

Lou Posly thanked Mark Kowalczyk for the great job with the project out front.

Matters from Council and Mayor:

All council spoke about the upcoming Memorial Day Parade and Services reminding everyone to keep in mind the meaning of Memorial Day. Mayor Lello also added the food drive reminder and Stan Knick thanked everyone for working together, the good job they do and the love they show for Dupont. A special thank you to Mark Kowalczyk for the work on the Veteran Monument project in front of the building. Mark noted the project will be complete for Memorial Day.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia McDonald
Borough Secretary

Adopted and Approved

Stanley Knick Jr.
Council President