

DUBOISTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY JANUARY 9, 2025
6:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

The General Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Harry Rogers, Council President.

Present were, Harry Rogers, Marc Drier, Mayor Richard Knecht, Patrick Melloy, Norman J Cowden, Dori Rankinen, John McCormick, Ann Marie Baker Borough Manager,

Absent Kate Weaver, Mike Rodgers, Shawn Millard

The Borough Manager asked to make an adjustment to the agenda for the financials since treasurer was absent to have financial reports in the January 23rd meeting- council asked to have the December and January Financials reported in the February 13th meeting.

Motion #1 was moved and seconded (John McCormick/Norman Cowden) to approve the minutes from previous meeting December 5, 2024.

Motion #1 carries by a Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Name	Nomination	Motion	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
John McCormick		X		X			
Patrick Melloy				X			
Harry Rogers				X			
Dori Rankinen				X			
Mike Rodgers							X
Norman Cowden			X	X			
Shawn Millard							X
Mayor Knecht							

Public Comment – None

The Police Report – Detective Thompson gave report out – follow up for Borough Manager is to get contact information to Detective Thompson for the JSSB and VFW to get permission for Officer Grant to use the parking lots in the event he needed to have a space for the oversized trucks during a traffic stop.

Fire Department – Reports given; total calls For December 31

Total for the year 298 of those 82 calls were dispatched but then cancelled en route

Sewer Report – Report was distributed to all the council.

Property Maintenances & Building Code Report – was read

Community Events – Report given on Christmas Brunch

Motion #2 was moved and seconded (Dori Rankinen/Norman Cowden) to approve the amendment to the sidewalk ordinance.

Discussion – This will assist the codes to start to enforce the sidewalk ordinance and act upon the complaints for sidewalks that need repair.

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Motion #2 carries by a Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Name	Nomination	Motion	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
John McCormick				X			
Patrick Melloy				X			
Harry Rogers				X			
Dori Rankinen		X		X			
Mike Rodgers							X
Norman Cowden			X	X			
Shawn Millard							X
Mayor Knecht							

Borough Manager – Report was distributed to all the council.

MOU discussion between the Storymobile, Fire Department, and the Borough was discussed and will need formal motion to approve at the February meeting.

Discussion on the process for the liability insurance that the borough pays for the Fire Department vehicles. This renewal has been done however the borough Manager is still waiting for all the drivers' licenses who drives in Department from Fire Department. Craig Kropp Treasurer of Fire Department stated that only the Fire Chief and President of the Department are permitted to talk to the Borough Manager on Fire Department business. Borough Manager advised that email had been sent to entire board but would follow up with Chief and President.

Tax Collector – nothing new to report

Presidents Report – Nothing New to report

New Business discussion for the second meeting on what topic to discuss. Decision was made to work on the Noise ordinance.

Public Comment #2 None

Motion #3 was moved and seconded (John McCormick/Dori Rankinen) to adjourn at 7:45pm

Motion #3 carries by a Unanimous Vote (5-0)

Name	Nomination	Motion	2 nd	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
John McCormick		X		X			
Patrick Melloy				X			
Harry Rogers				X			
Dori Rankinen			X	X			
Mike Rodgers							X
Norman Cowden				X			
Shawn Millard							X
Mayor Knecht							

Approved: Norman Cowden Date: FEB 13, 2025
 Motion: Norman Cowden Second: John McCormick Date: FEB 13, 2025