

**BOROUGH OF WILMERDING
NOTES FROM JULY 7, 2020 WORKSHOP**

L. KIRK: Glick replaced the battery, the breaks and rotors are ordered, the brow light is being looked at, and they are going to do an alignment. They also ordered a gage for the coolant. They are still going to get a quote for repairs.

A. HUSSEY: 318 Middle building permits were approved today and construction should start within a week.

ENGINEER – A. PRINCE: PA Rock & Soil has not gotten a report and recommendation over to us yet. Alcosan approved the filing of the application Ice Plant road drainage project, final approval is expected this fall. The Herman Avenue sewer separation project has been completed. 2019 Storm inlet project should be starting sometime in July. The manhole exposure and raising in the Community Center parking lot has been completed. We will have the resolution for the DCED Blight Grant that needs to be passed tonight.

L. KIRK: on the 1000 Middle Avenue complaint, was that resolved?

A. PRINCE: Dave wrote a letter on it saying that there was nothing under that road but it is showing some damage. If it is something off of that building then it will be the building owners' problem if they are improperly draining.

K. MAXWELL: the tree behind the salt bin will come down this weekend. He will also be giving us a price on the tree on Westinghouse.

J. THOMAS: EIT is down about \$1000.00, LST is down \$4000.00, and real estate taxes are normal from what we collected in 2019. July RAD wasn't that bad but was down from last year.

S. SHURGOT: with the changes in the COVID situation the Department of Health put out some recommendations that I have shared. When they are in the fire truck or the borough truck, with someone in the cab, they must have masks on. When at the station they need to sign in, unless they are going on a call whereas they have a list of that, all visitors to the building must sign in. I have asked the fire department not to do any in person meetings. There is also guidance for travelers; if you are going to a hot spot you should do quarantine for 14 days on your own dime. There are several guidelines we can follow; you can have the person quarantine for the 14 days, you can have them get tested twice, although the results would be longer than 14 days, or we can return to work, wear a mask and see if you have any symptoms. I had Caroline send out the AHN policy that asks a few questions for the employee to fill out and if you answer no to the question you can return and if symptoms show you would go into the quarantine system. We will need to determine what we want to do as a Borough.

G. EVASHAVIK: all of these policies are legal it is completely up to the Borough as long as we are in compliance with all the laws including the Families First Coronavirus Act which states that if an employee does have symptom and is required to quarantine then they get time off benefits. It is a little different if an employee comes back from a hot spot, they may be rendered ineligible for the benefits. It will be up to council to vote on the policy that you think is best for the borough. You don't have the right to tell your employer where they can go on vacation but you do have the right to determine if they can come back or not.