

Approved minutes – Regular Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

Approved minutes – Special Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

Approved minutes – Special/Workshop Meeting 4/26/2023

A Special/Workshop Meeting was held on April 26, 2023. This was an informal workshop held to get together with school officials to discuss the future of the Community Center building. The formalities of opening with the roll call and adjourning the meeting were foregone.

Present from Meyersdale Borough:

Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Folk, Mrs. Gnagey, Mrs. Knieriem and Mr. Parisi.  
Mr. Baer, Mr. Baker, Mayor Smith and Solicitor Valentine were absent.

Present from the Meyersdale Area School District:

Dr. Tracey Karlie, Superintendent, Mrs. Shannon Brant – Business Manager, and  
Mr. Ron Donaldson, Chairman School Board Buildings Committee.

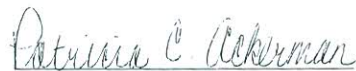
Others in attendance:

Mr. Jeffrey Christner

It was reported that the building is in need of extensive repairs and the utilities, especially heating expense is becoming a huge problem for the Borough. Council has been entertaining the idea of vacating the building and acquiring a smaller, energy efficient facility. The main concern in taking this route is that the building will revert back to the school after it is no longer being used as a community building per deed dated October 1, 1974 (see attached) and State code. The Borough does not want to burden the school with the vacate property. It was pointed out that in order to renovate the building and bring it into compliance would cost an estimated \$500,000.00.

The Vietnam/Korean Memorial that is located in the front of the building is also a concern. Everyone in attendance was in agreement that the memorial is a sacred structure that should be preserved and the first priority would be to find a solution to make sure that it can remain in this location. The Borough Solicitor will be instructed to research the possibility of having the memorial area surveyed and conveyed to the Vietnam/Korean Memorial Committee and to work with Mr. Donaldson through e-mail communications. After a productive discussion both parties agreed that the Solicitor for the Borough and the Solicitor for the School would be instructed to consult with one another to work out a solution that would be best for both parties and the community.

Everyone was in agreement that whatever is decided to do with the building, it would require public meetings, engineering and at least a five year plan. Both parties are willing to work together for the betterment of the tax payers and the community.



Patricia C. Ackerman  
Borough Secretary

SOMERSET COUNTY  
DEED BOOK

THIS DEED,

MADE THE 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-four (1974);

BETWEEN MEYERSDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, a union school district, situate in Somerset County, Pennsylvania,

GRANTOR,

and

BOROUGH OF MEYERSDALE, a Municipal Corporation, situate in Somerset County aforesaid,

GRANTEE:

WITNESSETH, that in consideration of ONE (\$1.00) DOLLAR and other good and valuable consideration, in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said grantor does hereby grant and convey to the said grantee, its successors and assigns,

ALL the following described parcels or tracts of land situate in Meyersdale Borough, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, to wit:

PARCEL NO. 1: A parcel of ground situate in Meyersdale Borough aforesaid at the west end of Clay Street in said Borough, marked and bounded as follows: BEGINNING at the northeast corner of the brick school house, South 19° East 61 feet along alley to a stone; thence along Clay Street, North 73° East 66 feet to a stone; South 19° East 53-1/2 feet to a stone; South 82° West 183 feet to a stone; North 7-1/2° West 100 feet to a stone west of school house; North 73° East 97-1/2 feet to the place of beginning, CONTAINING 55 perches.

BEING the same premises which M. D. Miller, surviving Trustee of the Meyersdale School House, conveyed to the Meyersdale School District, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated November 16, 1878 and recorded in the office for recording deeds at Somerset, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book Volume 59, page 183.

PARCEL NO. 2: BEGINNING on the south side of Main Street at the northwest corner of the Lutheran Church lot; thence South 73-1/2° West 47 feet to grounds of said Scott and by the same South 15-1/2° East 117 feet to a point near the corner of school ground; thence by same and north wall of school house, North 73-1/2° East 87 feet to alley at northeast corner of school house; thence along said alley, North 15-1/2° West 52 feet to corner of said Church lot and by the same South 73-1/2° West 40 feet and North 15-1/2° West 65 feet to the place of beginning, CONTAINING 7,579 square feet strict measure.

BEING the same premises which Arthur Scott and Mary Jane, his wife, conveyed to the Meyersdale Borough School Board, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated January 12, 1880, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 59, page 184.

PARCEL NO. 3: COMMENCING at a corner on Main Street, where the School property adjoins that formerly of Arthur Scott and running West, and fronting on Main Street 105 feet; thence southeast along the old state road (or Grant Street) 162 feet to corner of School ground; thence North by line of School ground 18 feet; thence East 11 feet; thence North 118 feet to Main Street.

BEING the same premises which Arthur Scott and Jennie, his wife, conveyed to the Board of School Directors of Meyersdale Borough, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated February 20, 1882, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 78, page 437.

PARCEL NO. 4: ALL that certain lot of ground situate in Meyersdale Borough aforesaid and located on the South side of Main Street in said Borough, having a frontage of 40 feet on Main Street, and extending back along an alley a distance of 65 feet of equal width, bounded on the North by Main Street, on the South by Meyersdale Borough School, on the East by an alley and on the West by Meyersdale Borough School Lot.

BEING the same premises which Henry J. Wilmoth and Jennie E. Wilmoth, his wife, conveyed to the Meyersdale Borough School District, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated August 11, 1905, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 134, page 312.

PARCEL NO. 5: ALL that certain lot of ground situate in Meyersdale Borough aforesaid, located on the South side of Main Street in said Borough, having a frontage of 66 feet on Main Street, and extending back of equal width a distance of 165 feet to Clay Street, is bounded on the North by Main Street, on the South by Clay Street and a parcel of ground of P. J. Cover, and on the East by lot of Catherine Dill, and formerly lot of Dr. S. S. Good, and on the West by an alley.

BEING the same premises which Charles H. Kemp and Dora B. Kemp, his wife, conveyed to School District of the Borough of Meyersdale, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated May 4, 1906, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 143, page 169.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING from this grant, so much of said described lot of ground as was conveyed to P. J. Cover by deed dated May 21st, 1894, and recorded at Somerset, Penna. in record book of deeds in Vol. 83, page 474. Catharine Beal and William Beal being the grantors, said parcel of ground is 24 x 31 feet and runs along Clay Street 31 feet by 24 feet along line of lot of Catherine Dill.

PARCEL NO. 6: ALL that certain lot of ground situate in the Borough of Meyersdale aforesaid, being a square parcel of land fronting 31 feet on Clay Street in said borough and extending back of equal width a distance of 24 feet and being more fully described by courses and distances as follows to-wit: BEGINNING at a point, a corner of the land hereby conveyed and adjoining lands of the present grantor, said corner being on Clay Street; thence North 71° 22' East 31 feet; thence North 18° 50' West 24 feet; thence South 71° 22' West 31 feet; thence South 18° 50' East 24 feet to the point of beginning, bounded on the South by Clay Street, on the East by other land of John N. Cover and on the West and North by land of the present grantor.

BEING the same premises which John N. Cover and Annie Cover, his wife, conveyed to the Meyersdale Borough School District, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated May 29, 1923, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 260, page 8.

PARCEL NO. 7: ALL that certain lot of ground situate in the Borough of Meyersdale aforesaid, BEGINNING at a point on the South side of Grant Street in said Borough, said starting point being on the South line of Grant Street and lying South 55° 26' East a distance of 200 feet from the Southwest corner of the intersection of Grant Street and Dale Street; thence from said starting point running along residue of land now or formerly of C. A. Phillips, et al, on a line parallel with Dale Street, South 72° 47' West to Plougherty Creek; thence running along the North bank of the Plougherty Creek in an Easterly direction to the West line of Casselman Street; thence running along

the West line of Casselman Street in a Northeasterly direction to the South line of Grant Street; thence running along the South line of Grant Street in a Northwesterly direction to the point of beginning, said parcel of ground hereby conveyed including Lots Nos. 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, and the portion of Lots 283, 284, and 285, and including all of Lots Nos. 286, 287, 288, 289, 290 and 291, and a portion of Lots Nos. 292, 293, 294 and 295, as known and numbered in the Olinger Addition to said Meyersdale Borough.

BEING the same premises which C. A. Phillips, et al, Trustees, conveyed to the School District of Meyersdale Borough, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated October 18, 1949, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 407, page 197.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING, however, a parcel of land heretofore conveyed to Isaac Bradburn, Sr., by deed dated December 18, 1916, and recorded as aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 202, page 112.

The above described tract of land, Parcel No. 7 herein, is commonly known as the playground property in Meyersdale Borough, and the same was conveyed to the present grantor or its predecessor in title in trust nevertheless to be used for a public playground or athletic field by the school children of Meyersdale Borough and other citizens of the Borough, and this conveyance is subject to said condition and restriction as contained and set forth in prior deeds of conveyance.

UNDER AND SUBJECT to all other terms and conditions relative to said parcel of land as mentioned in the deed last above recited and also subject to the terms and conditions of a Consent Line Agreement between C. A. Phillips, Trustee, et al, and the School District of the Borough of Meyersdale, dated October 3, 1952, and recorded in the office for recording deeds aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 450, page 18.

PARCEL NO. 8: ALL those certain lots and a part of a lot of ground situate in the Borough of Meyersdale aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the intersection of the South line of Grant Street with the West line of Salisbury Street; thence by the said South line of Grant Street, North 55° 26' West 120 feet to a corner; thence by what was laid out on the Olinger Survey as Casselman Street, but never opened, South 28° 25' West 100 feet to a corner; thence by Lot No. 267 now or formerly owned by Jennie E. Wilmoth, South 55° 26' East 120 feet to a corner on the West side of Salisbury Street; thence along the West side of Salisbury Street, North 28° 25' East 100 feet to the place of beginning, and being Lots Nos. 265 and 266 in the Olinger Survey of the Borough of Meyersdale.

BEING the same premises which Vivian M. Donges, widow, conveyed to the School District of the Borough of Meyersdale, et al, operating as Meyersdale Joint Schools, predecessor in title to the present grantor, by deed dated August 30, 1956, and recorded in the office for recording deeds aforesaid in Deed Book Volume 498, page 97.

HAVING thereon erected a frame and brick building and heating plant.

TOGETHER WITH all rights and privileges granted and conveyed by said deed last above recited and subject to all terms, conditions and covenants contained in said deed.

PARCEL NO. 9: ALL that certain parcel or lot of ground situate in the Borough of Meyersdale aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the north side of Main Street, a common corner to said Main Street, lot herein described and lot occupied by what was formerly known as the William Penn Garage; thence from said starting point running along the

William Penn Garage lot, North 17° 41' 30" West 166 feet to a point on the south side of Dale Street; thence by Dale Street, South 72° 4' West 275.25 feet to a point where Dale Street intersects with Grant Street; thence by Grant Street, South 55° 55' East 213.90 feet to a point where Grant Street intersects with Main Street; thence by Main Street, North 71° 36' East 142.75 feet to the place of beginning.

BEING the same premises which the School District of Meyersdale Borough acquired by condemnation proceedings by virtue of Resolution to condemn said property made on August 13, 1935, and in accordance with proceedings filed in the office of the Prothonotary of Somerset County in No. 176 December Term 1935, as by reference thereto will more fully and at large appear.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING, also, from this conveyance, a portion of Parcel No. 1 hereinabove described heretofore conveyed by the Meyersdale Borough School District to John N. Cover, by deed dated May 29, 1923, and recorded in the office for recording deeds aforesaid, in Deed Book Volume 250, page 436.

UNDER AND SUBJECT, also, to the following conditions, to-wit:

1. That the ~~No. 2 Building~~ on the north side of Main Street with ~~auditorium or gymnasium~~ therein, be kept and maintained by the Borough as a community building for the use and benefit of all proper persons and organizations within the geographical area of the Meyersdale Area School District and that any charges for use of any part of said building be fair, reasonable and equitable for all persons and organizations in the School District.
2. That the auditorium or gymnasium be kept and maintained as an auditorium or gymnasium and the playground be used for recreational purposes for the benefit of all persons in the Meyersdale Area and in accordance with the provisions of former deeds which dedicated the playground property for such purposes.
3. That the School District be permitted ~~to use the locker rooms~~ and adjacent storage rooms in said No. 2 Building and the playground property for school athletic purposes ~~without charge so long as the School District has need of said facilities.~~
4. That the property hereby conveyed will be properly kept and maintained for community and civic purposes for the general use and benefit of all residents of the area comprising the Meyersdale Area School District and for the use and benefit of all proper community and civic organizations therein.

This conveyance is made pursuant to Section 707 of the Public School Code of 1949 and in accordance with the requirements of said School Code, this conveyance is under and subject to the specific condition that the lands and buildings hereby conveyed will revert to the Meyersdale Area School District if and when they are no longer being used for municipal or authority purposes as herein provided.

The undersigned officers of the Meyersdale Area School District by the execution and delivery hereof, do hereby certify that this conveyance has been duly authorized by proper vote of the members of the Board of School Directors of the Meyersdale Area School District at a regular meeting thereof at which a quorum was present and that two-thirds of the members of the Board of School Directors of said School District gave approval to the conveyance of the real estate herein described to the Borough of Meyersdale.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Meyersdale Area School District has caused

this deed to be duly signed by the President of the Board of School Directors of said School District, duly attested by the Secretary of said School Board and the official seal of the School District affixed hereto.

MEYERSDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Harold E. Nicholson  
President

ATTEST  
Robert J. Bunker  
Secretary

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA )  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET ) ss:

On this, the 1st day of October, 1974, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared HAROLD E. NICHOLSON, who acknowledged himself to be the President of the MEYERSDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, a union school district, and that he as such President, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the Meyersdale Area School District by himself as President.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Mrs. Louise J. Bender (SEAL)

MRS. LOUISE J. BENDER, NOTARY PUBLIC  
MEYERSDALE-HERR, SOMERSET COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: AUG. 7, 1975  
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE

I do hereby certify that the precise residence and complete post office address of the within named grantee is Meyersdale, Pa.

Oct 7, 1974.

Robert J. Bunker  
Attorney for grantee

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA )  
COUNTY OF SOMERSET ) ss:

RECORDED on this 9th day of OCTOBER, A.D. 1974,  
in the Recorder's Office of said County, in Deed Book  
Vol. 765, Page 777.

Given under my hand and the seal of the said office, the date  
above written.

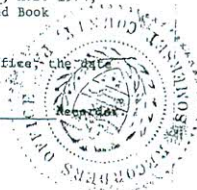
Edwin Holliday  
Recorder

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17387 CERTIFIED TRANSFER TAX FILED  
OCTOBER 9, 1974

Blanche  
attn: Robert J. Bunker  
FEE \$100.00 PAID \$12.50

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2. Vishnu V. Dharmadhikari, representing Neilan Engineers was present to discuss the necessary improvements to the Borough's sewage treatment works as required by Public Law 92-500 as established by the Environmental Protection Agency. These improvements consist of five phases of work at an estimated cost of \$65,000.00, 75% of which is reimbursable from the EPA. Mr. Dharmadhikari requested that the Borough adopt a resolution to execute and file an application with the Environmental Protection Agency for a grant to aid in financing the construction of necessary improvements of the sewage treatment works under the provisions of Public Law 92-500. On a motion by Baer and seconded by Gnagey, Council unanimously decided to adopt such a resolution.

3. On a motion by Baer and seconded by Gnagey, Council unanimously approved to accept the letter of recognition submitted by the Borough Secretary to be effective September 1, 1974.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Louis C. Tuncano*  
Louis C. Tuncano, Secretary

Regular Meeting August 13, 1974

1. Roll Call: The regular meeting of the Meyersdale Borough Council was called to order Tuesday, August 13, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. by President Hay. Roll Call: all councilmen present.

2. Minutes: The minutes of the Preceding special and regular meetings were read and approved.

3. Bills: Bills read as follows: against the General Fund, \$3,323.91; against the Sewer Fund, \$3,505.37; total for the month was \$6,829.28. Motion by Gnagey and seconded by Donges to pay the bills as read. Motion carried.

4. Mayor's Report: The following Mayor's report was submitted: \$411.60 was collected from meters and \$132.80 in fines was collected for a total of \$544.40 collected during the month. Motion by Donges and seconded by D'Amico to accept the Mayor's report. Motion carried.

5. Guests:

a. John Mitchell of the Somerset County YMCA was present to question the possibility of setting up a recreation program in the old elementary gymnasium. Mr. Mitchell stated that a comprehensive recreation plan could be set up at an initial cost of \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00. Council favored the idea but stated that they could take no definite action until the schools are turned over to the Borough.

b. F.R. Brant was present on behalf of Henry Beamer and the Somerset County Development Council. Brant requested that Council help pay the costs necessary to move the new pumping station. The total cost of the move was \$1,950.00. Motion by Gnagey and seconded by Baer to pay the entire amount. Roll call: Murray, no; Donges, yes; D'Amico, yes; Gnagey, yes; Baer, yes; Gauntz, yes; Hay, yes. Motion carried 6-1.

c. Frank Shanholtz was present to discuss the possibility of removing the paving of Water Street from Grant to 3rd Street from the Paving Project and replacing it with Water Street from Grant St. to 4th and 5th St. Much discussion was held on the matter but no definite action was taken.

d. Mr. Harold Nicholson and Mr. David Dupstadt were present on behalf of the local school district. Nicholson stated that the school district was ready to turn over the deeds of the three elementary schools to the Borough pending the Borough's acceptance of an agreement which contained a few minor restrictions pertaining to the use of building 3. Mr. Dupstadt then read the agreement and explained the reasons for the restrictions. Motion by Gnagey and seconded by Baer to accept the agreement as presented. Roll call: unanimous approval. The Borough is to take possession of the buildings October 1, 1974.

6. Old Business:

a. Secretary reported that the next meeting of the Somerset County Borough Assn. would be Sept. 25th in Meyersdale. The meeting will be

**MEYERSDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
 Regular Meeting \_\_\_\_\_ Special Meeting 4/26/2023

**GUEST SIGN IN**

PLEASE PRINT

	NAME	ADDRESS	TOPIC
1	Jeff Christner	201 N. Street	
2	Tracey Kadre	382 Laurel Falls Rd	School
3	Stannan Brant	3320 Rockdale Rd.	School
4	Bon Donaldson	1752 Garret	School
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**GUESTS MUST STAND WHILE SPEAKING**