

Call to Order:

The regular scheduled meeting of July 7th, 2010 was called to order by Ms. McCarthy at 6:35 p.m.

Members present were: Mr. Kissell arriving late, Mr. Vandzura, Mr. Slanoc, Mr. Wozniak, and Mayor Fox. Also present were Robert Koban-Borough Manager; Don Squillario-Public Works; and Chief Miller-Public Safety. Absent were Mrs. Chobany, Mr. Emerick-Borough Solicitor; Mr. Wisor-Engineer; and Michelle Claar-Secretary

For the record: The minutes were taken from the notes of Mr. Squillario.

VISITORS: None

Reports:

Managers Report:

Mr. Koban furnished a written report prior to the meeting. Mr. Koban recapped several items in his report. Ms. McCarthy questioned the borough's insurance coverage being marketed. Mr. Koban explained the process of marketing with other carriers. Mr. Wozniak questioned the recent accidents with the firefighters. Mr. Koban explained that Selective Insurance was in to evaluate the problem. The fire department will install two sets of steps coming down the sidewalk with approval from Mainline National Bank. The expenses incurred for the steps will be paid by the Fire Department.

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Emerick furnished a written report to Council but was absent from the meeting.

Engineers Report:

Mr. Wisor furnished a written report to Council but was absent from the meeting.

Police Report:

Chief Miller furnished a written report prior to the meeting. Chief Miller provided information on the meeting he had with the Engineer concerning the Plummer property on Caldwell Avenue.

Public Works Report:

Mr. Squillario furnished a written report prior to the meeting and volunteered to take notes in absence of the Secretary.

Treasurer's Report:

Ms. Claar furnished a written report prior to the meeting. Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to approve the Treasurer's report, motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence:

Woodland Supply submitted a proposal for salt prices for the 2010-2011 winter season with a price of \$77.50 per ton. Customers that pre-pay for salt prior to August 31, 2010 will receive a \$5.00 per ton discount. Mr. Koban and Mr. Squillario will research with the Cambria Somerset COGs for any upcoming bids.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes from June 7th regular and June 21st committee meetings were distributed prior to the meeting. Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to approve the minutes from the June 7th regular and June 21st committee meeting, motion carried 5-0.

Paying of Bills:

The bills were distributed prior to the meeting. Mr. Slanoc motioned, seconded by Mr. Wozniak to pay the unpaid bills in the amount of \$11,561.38, motion carried 5-0.

Other Reports

The monthly reports were received from the Water Authority for May but pages were missing. Reports were also received from the Sewer Authority for May; the Planning Commission for May, the Joint Recreation Commission for April and May; and Portage Ambulance for April & May. Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to approve the monthly reports as presented, motion carried 6-0.

Unfinished Business:

Mr. Koban advised that he continues to petition for members of the Mainline Heritage Association.

The list of goals for the grant writer was discussed. Mr. Vandzura suggested that any group utilizing the grant writer to pay \$50.00 to the Borough. Mr. Koban commented that there are not enough requests to warrant a \$50.00 charge to the Borough, but will take the suggestion under consideration.

The emergency operations plan to be discussed at the committee meeting.

Update on the grant funding for Gillespie Avenue is still being researched or the possibility of utilizing liquid fuels funds in 2011.

A sponsor for the Halloween Parade was discussed. Mr. Slanoc informed Council that several Elementary School teachers were inquiring on the sponsorship for the parade. Mr. Beck will be able to provide the information and the Secretary has the financial records that Mr. Miller had turned in.

There was no update on the Cambria County SERT Agreement and will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Mr. Koban advised Council that he will continue to proceed with the process on the Plummer property at 1021 Caldwell Avenue.

Mr. Koban informed Council that the Harpo's Building should be scheduled for demolition in October or November.

There was no update on the Rails to Trails grant funding.

Mr. Vandzura informed Council that he is having difficulty in getting an appointment with Allegheny Ridge regarding the Silk Mill property and requested the issue remain on the agenda.

Council held an interview with candidate; Robert Hazlett for the vacant Sewer Authority Board seat. Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to appoint Mr. Robert Hazlett to serve a five year term from July 7th, 2010 through December 31, 2014, motion carried 6-0.

There is no update on the Main Street Streetscape project.

Mr. Koban informed Council that he had several questions for the insurance carriers regarding the part time police officers life insurance coverage package. He would like to compare apples to apples before explaining the figures to Council. The issue will be discussed at the August committee of the whole meeting.

The revision to amending Ordinance 11-2007 concerning the Police Pension Plan was properly advertised in the Dispatch. Mr. Slanoc motioned, seconded by Mr. Kissell to approve Ordinance 5-2010 by amending Ordinance 11-2007 concerning the death benefit of the Police Pension Plan per Act 51 of the Commonwealth, motion carried 6-0.

New Business:

Mayor Fox requested a list of questions from Council that he may ask at the Mayors Convention being held in State College.

Good of the Borough:

Mayor Fox commented on the Jefferson Avenue sign that is missing and provided information on the Farmer's Market. Mr. Kissell commented on the no turn on red at the intersection of Dulancey and Main Street. Mr. Kissell suggested the no turn on red be removed but there was no further action by Council.

Mr. Kissell commented on a clean-up day for hazardous materials to be sponsored by the Borough. Mr. Koban will research for additional information on sponsoring the service for the community. Mayor Fox commented on the upcoming Summerfest Parade. Mr. Wozniak questioned Chief Miller on the quads using public roads. Chief Miller answered Mr. Wozniak's questions. Mr. Kissell commented on community service workers to assist the Public Works Department. Mr. Koban will investigate for any liability issues.

Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to go into executive session for litigation purposes, motion carried 6-0. Mr. Slanoc motioned, seconded by Mr. Wozniak to go out of executive session and into the regular meeting, motion carried 6-0. Mayor Fox motioned, seconded by Mr. Vandzura to appeal District Magistrate Decorts decision to Cambria County Court with the assistance from the Borough Solicitor, Borough Manager, and Chief Miller, motion carried 5-0-1 with Mr. Wozniak not voting.

Adjournment:

Mr. Wozniak motioned, seconded by Mr. Slanoc to adjourn, motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.