

REGULAR SESSION AUGUST 6, 2013

Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT were President C. Ewing, who presided, Moeller, Sweet, Patterson and McLallen. Attorney Douglas was also present. Members absent with prior notice: None. Members absent without prior notice: Mayor Ehrman, McClearn and K. Ewing.

OPENING: President C. Ewing opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and welcomed all in attendance. President C. Ewing took roll call for attendance and then reviewed the monthly reports, correspondence and announcements with the members of Council.

MINUTES: Motion by McLallen, seconded by Sweet to approve the minutes from the July 2nd regular session. The motion was carried unanimously.

VISITORS

The visitors in attendance were: Mr. Harold Smeltz, Mr. Jay Schauer, Mrs. Rina Hart, Mr. Derrick Shaffer and Mr. Perry Jones

MAYOR'S REPORT

President C. Ewing presented to Council, in Mayor Ehrman's absence, that Chief DiMaria's paperwork appears to be in order.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**WATER & SEWER**

- Sweet informed Council that Sam Scott has officially resigned from the Lakeview Joint Sewer Authority Board. Mr. Richard Foust has submitted a letter of interest in filling that vacancy. Motion by McLallen, seconded by Patterson to appoint Mr. Richard Foust to fill the vacancy on the Lakeview Joint Sewer Authority Board. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Sweet updated Council that the Chlorine Building repairs have been completed.
- Sweet updated Council on the Court hearing that was held regarding the Sewer Tap/Connection violation at 2101 Mercer Road. They were granted a continuance until November 1st.

FACILITIES, GROUNDS & SAFETY

- Council reviewed the letter received concerning the passing zone on SR845. Council is in support of writing the letter as requested.
- Council discussed the current zoning issue at 36 Branch Street. Jeff Richardson is currently working with the new owner. According to the Zoning Ordinance, once a property has been vacated for one consecutive year, the property reverts back to the zoning of the area. Moeller questioned what it would take to change the zoning of that area. Attorney Douglas informed Council that changing the zoning would be more costly to the Borough because it would have to be done by Ordinance along with all the advertising requirements. Council decided to wait to see what the new owners plans are as far as applying for a variance.

FINANCE & PROPERTY

- Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report
- Motion by McLallen, seconded by Moeller to approve the payment of bills dated 7/25/13 and 8/7/13 as amended.

PERSONNEL

- Motion by Sweet, seconded by Patterson to adopt Resolution No. 8 of 2013, adopting written procedures setting forth how professional services are chosen for its' pension plans in order to comply with Act 44 of 2009 and the Auditor General's recommendation. The motion was carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council held discussions regarding the possibility of a new Municipal Building. Moeller suggested that he would like to see the location down on the Railroad bed. The Borough already owns that location and it currently has water and sewer available. Moeller suggested the next step should be to get in touch with an Architect or Engineer. McLallen suggested that before a location is set, Council should look at what the plans are for the entire Park, future roadway locations and the Rails to Trails plans. Attorney Douglas suggested holding a special public meeting to gather input. McLallen suggested holding a Committee meeting to have more discussions. President C. Ewing assigned a special committee named Exploratory Committee and the assigned the following members: Moeller, McLallen and C. Ewing.

President C. Ewing called for an Executive Session at 7:28 pm to discuss the possible purchase of property and a personnel issue.....Council reconvened at 7:55 pm.

Moeller requested that the Borough purchase two weeks (80 Hours) of vacation time in place of having to take the time off. Motion by McLallen, seconded by C. Ewing to pay Moeller for the 80 hours of vacation time at his regular hourly rate. The motion was carried unanimously.

No motions or discussions were held regarding the possible purchase of property.

Motion by Moeller, seconded by Patterson to approve the only bid received for the demolition of the structure at 90 Linden Street in the amount of \$7,400 (Ebbert \$6,500 and Heckman \$900). The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Moeller, seconded by Patterson to adjourn this session of Council at 7:59 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



 Secretary