

REGULAR SESSION MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

PRESENT were President Sweet, who presided, Hart, Ehrman, Patterson and Ewing. Chief DiMaria, Maintenance Supervisor Moeller and Part-Time Maintenance Foster were also present. Mr. Phil Rau of The Record Argus represented the press.

OPENING: President Sweet opened the meeting with a salute to the flag and welcomed all in attendance. President Sweet reviewed the announcements and correspondence with Council.

MINUTES: Motion by Ewing, seconded by Ehrman to approve the minutes from the August 11th regular session. Council held discussions. The motion was carried by a majority (4 – 1).

VISITORS

The visitors in attendance were Garnet Wood, Project Inspector, and Vic Staples.

Garnet Wood provided Council with a status report on the Sewer Extension Project.

Vic Staples thanked Council for their hard work in the Sewer Extension Project and also expressed his concerns with the current water supply issues. He asked Council to consider adding an additional water storage tank.

MAYOR'S REPORT

President Sweet provided Council with the Mayor's Report in Mayor Luchansky's absents. President Sweet reported that all of the Chief's records were in order. He also reported that the security cameras are up and running, although there are a few glitches that are actively being worked out.

STONEBORO VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY REPORT

Council reviewed the Stoneboro Volunteer Fire Company report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**WATER & SEWER**

- ⇒ Motion by Ewing, seconded by Hart to authorize President Sweet to sign the Consent Agreement Reporting Violations issued by DEP. The motion was carried unanimously.
- ⇒ Council reviewed the Gallons Report & the Lakeview Joint Sewer Authority Treasurer's Report.
- ⇒ Council reviewed the proposal from Swiftreach Networks. Maintenance Supervisor Moeller discussed with Council the new DEP regulations and that this Company would fulfill the regulations making us compliant. Motion by Hart, seconded by Ewing to enter into the Pay-As-You Go Annual Subscription Plan agreement with Swiftreach Networks. The motion was carried unanimously.

- ⇒ Maintenance Supervisor Moeller provided Council with a status report of the current water supply issue. The reservoir is filling at normal volume, but the water is leaving with the same volume as it is entering. After contact with DEP there was a boil alert activated for the residents that had gone without water at some point when the reservoir was discovered to have an abnormally low level. The Maintenance Department has been searching all over town looking for a possible leak, but had not found any evidence of one. Maintenance Supervisor Moeller will be meeting with a representative from Pennsylvania Rural Water Association and with Borough Engineer Al Wodzianski in the morning. Council also discussed the possibilities of adding and additional water storage tank to the system.

FACILITIES, GROUNDS & SAFETY

- ⇒ Council reviewed the HOME Program information.
- ⇒ Council reviewed the status on the property issues and filed complaints.

FINANCE & PROPERTY

- ⇒ Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report.
- ⇒ Motion by Ewing, seconded by Patterson to approve the payment of the bills dated 8/18/09, 8/28/09, 9/1/09 and 9/9/09 as amended. The motion was carried by a majority (4 – 1), Hart abstained (reason attached).
- ⇒ Motion by Ewing, seconded by Ehrman to approve the 4th payment request from Graziani Construction, Inc., Al Wodzianski and Garnet Wood for work completed on the Sewer Extension project. The motion was carried by a majority (4 – 1), Hart abstained (reason attached).
- ⇒ Motion by Hart, seconded by Patterson to adopt the 2010 MMO using the 5-Year Smoothing figures. Council discussed the Act 205 Relief option and the Secretary was instructed to gather more information on that. The motion was carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

- ⇒ Council reviewed the Monthly Maintenance Report.
- ⇒ Council reviewed the proposed Personnel Policy.
- ⇒ The Committee recommended to Council that Tom Foster be hired to the position of Maintenance Assistant retroactive to September 1, 2009 and that his past employment history for the Borough be considered as his probation period. Council held discussions. Motion by Patterson, seconded by Ewing to hire Tom Foster to the position of Maintenance Assistant retroactive to September 1, 2009 and that his past employment history for the Borough be considered as his probation period and that he receive a starting salary of Ten Dollars and 00/100 (\$10.00) per hour. The motion was carried by a majority (4 – 1).

NEW BUSINESS

Council reviewed the Mercer County Boroughs Association Notice of Fall Meeting.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Patterson to schedule the Halloween Trick-or-Treat festivities on Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 2 PM until 4 PM. The motion was carried unanimously.

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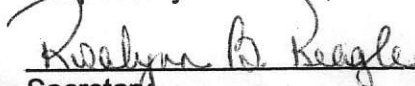
Council discussed project ideas for the donation that was received from Mr. Fred Houser's Trust Fund.

Motion by Hart, seconded by Ewing to grant permission for the use of the Little League fields for the Annual Fall Ball games. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hart, seconded by Ewing to adjourn this session of Council at 9:17 PM. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Secretary

I abstain my vote on this item

PAYMENT OF BILLS 9-8-09

due to a conflict of interest. (Personal property included in the project)

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Hart

I abstain my vote on this item

PAYING CONTRACTOR BILL #4 FOR MLC SB

due to a conflict of interest. (Personal property included in the project)

Respectfully submitted,

9-8-09

