

LAURELDALE BOROUGH

January 11, 2010

The regular meeting of the Laureldale Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Chester Bogacki with the pledge to the flag. The following council members were present: Larry Reber, Susan Grimes, William Baer, Donald Raifsnider Sr., John H. Kahn Sr. and Chester Bogacki. Also present were Mayor Fred Feltenberger, Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher, Street Supervisor Patrick Obrien and Reading Eagle Reporter

Motion by Kathy Spayd and Donald Raifsnider Sr. to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR:

Police mutual aid agreement with Muhlenberg twp – Revised agreement sent to Muhlenberg Township. The revision was refused by Muhlenberg Township. Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. and Larry Reber made not to move forward with the Mutual Aid Agreement. Carried by a roll call vote

Motion by Kathy Spayd and Donald Raifsnider Sr. to maintain existing agreements between Laureldale and Muhlenberg Police Departments regarding assistance. Carried by a roll call vote.

Sidewalks repairs– Solicitor will have submit a proposal. Recommendation to do this by way of Ordinance not Resolution. Solicitor is working with Street and Sidewalk Committee as well as the Code Officer.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Highmark Blue Shield Update

- Municipal Retirement Trust Reports

- Muhlenberg Community Library – Board Minutes

- County of Berks – Board of Elections Results

- Berks County Conservation District – Staffing Update

- RATS Technical Committee - December Minutes and January's Agenda

Motion by John Kahn Sr. and Kathy Spayd to sign Berks County Tax Claim Bureau Certification of uncollected real estate taxes for the year 2009. Carried

Councilor Larry Reber reported on the street department and gave the fuel report for the month of December.

Motion by Larry Reber and John Kahn Sr. to purchase hydraulic filter for backhoe from Hyde Villa Auto Parts, cost \$49.26. Also need to purchase disc brake pads and oil for Police cars from Hyde Villa, cost \$136.48. Total cost \$185.74. Carried

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Motion by Larry Reber and Sue Grimes to send Patrick O' Brien to an Electric Codes update school at Cabela's March 29, 2010 cost \$125.00 Carried

Councilor William Baer gave the Central Fire Company yearly report.

Councilor William Baer reported on the sewer department and total gallons of water through the pump house for the month of December.

Motion by Kathy Spayd and Donald Raifsnider Sr. to have Kleckner Roofing do additional roof repairs at the front of the Borough Hall Building, cost \$400.00

Councilor Kathy Spayd reported that 5 purchase orders totaling \$2427.03 were written for the month of December.

Recreation Board meeting Tuesday January 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall.

Crime Watch meeting Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall.

ENGINEER

Storm Sewer Grant – Elizabeth and Raymond Street Project- SDE and the Borough will discuss possibility of using CDBG money with the Berks County Community Development Office in the near future for this project.

CDBG Funding Application- Chestnut Street Storm Sewer Replacement Project- Borough sent letter to Berks County Community Development requesting funds be made available in 2010. Borough received notification that funds in the amount of \$75,000 should be available in 2010. SDE and Borough will meet with the County in near future to discuss project.

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2010/2011 – SDE received the bonds and insurance certificate from the Contractor, Video Pipe Services, Inc. SDE has assembled the Contract Documents for execution by the Borough. SDE will meet with the Borough Staff in the near future to review the scope of work to be done in 2010.

City of Reading/Chapter 94 Report for 2009- A letter dated 1/6/10 was received from the City of Reading requesting the Chapter 94 Report information be submitted by 2/12/2010. SDE requested authorization to prepare the Chapter 94 Report and associated information for review by the Borough prior to submission to the City.

Motion by William Baer and Donald Raifsnider Sr. authorizing SDE to prepare the Chapter 94 report for 2009. Carried

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- TENANT LANDLORD INSPECTIONS – Completed 1 Rental Inspections, 3 Reinspections, and 4 Home Inspections
- LADIES ROOM AT BOROUGH HALL – PAINT AND REPAIR AND OUTSIDE DOOR AREA
- REPLACE LIGHT FIXTURES IN BOROUGH HALL WITH NEW EFFICIENT FIXTURES
- WATER LEAK AT ROSEDALE PLAYGROUND

Bills in the amount of \$60292.30 from the general fund and \$1420.24 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by John Kahn Sr. and Kathy Spayd. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report read and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. and Kathy Spayd. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Kathy Spayd and Donald Raifsnider. Carried.

Building Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. and William Baer Carried.

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Kathy Spayd and Larry Reber. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 P.M. on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. and John Kahn Sr.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary