

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
December 13, 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: Donald Raifsnider Sr., Kathy Spayd, Larry Reber, William Baer, John Kahn Sr., Susan Grimes and Chester Bogacki. Also present were Mayor Fred Feltenberger, Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher, Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien and Reading Eagle Reporter Karen Feick.

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

Resident Barry Galvin, 3531 Hawthorne St and 3408 Kutztown Rd had concerns regarding the 2011 Budget. He also asked Mayor Fred Feltenberger to veto the budget.

SOLICITOR:

Regarding the Filly Marco Property, 3412 Montclare St, there is a preconstruction meeting with the demolition contractor on Wednesday, December 15. Lien is updated on the property to include demolition costs. The Tax Claim Bureau has agreed to put off the sale of the property until after the building has been torn down.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PSAB Update

Muhlenberg Community Library Minutes

Municipal Retirement Trust

Comcast E-mail Channel Lineup Updates

Comcast E-mail Service and Price Adjustments

Reading Area Transportation Study

Bernhart Park Update E-mail

Berks County Public Safety Radio System Update

Reed Smith Public Sector Labor Group E-mail

HA Thomson Letter regarding personal vehicle use on Borough Business

E-mails from PSAB Discussion Group (3)

Radio System Vendor Recommendation – Gottschall e-mail

PennDot ARLE Transportation Enhancement Grants Program

Muhlenberg School District Letter / Request for Balance of Funds

Thank you letter from Laureldale Area Watch

Employment Law Watch – E-mail

Motion by John Kahn Sr seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to adopt the 2011 Budget. Carried

Motion by John Kahn Sr seconded by Kathy Spayd to adopt a Resolution for pay raise and other benefits for employees for the year 2011. No increase for part-time Police. Carried

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Motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Larry Reber to refund up to \$35,416.16 to Muhlenberg School District and close out the Middle School Improvements account as per Systems Design Engineering. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by John Kahn Sr. to adopt Ordinance for Tax Rate – 4.9 Mills. Carried by a roll call vote.

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr seconded by Kathy Spayd to adopt Ordinance for Police Pension – Remove Killed in Service Benefit. State will take care of this. Carried by a roll call vote.

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Larry Reber to purchase two Tasers for Police Dept @ \$800.00 each. Total cost \$1600.00. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by John Kahn Sr. to purchase a new head for the Enradd System for the Police Department. Total cost \$1800.00. Money will come from the 2011 Budget. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Susan Grimes to purchase (3) Barcode readers and software for the Police Cars to be used in conjunction with the Cody System. Purchase from Scan Technology total cost \$2685.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by John Kahn Sr to order radiator for Leaf Picker from Old Dominion Brush in Virginia. Cost \$900.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Kathy Spayd to adjust the Schedule of Fees change for Commercial and Industrial permits from \$30.00 per thousand of cost or fraction to \$50.00 per thousand of cost. Add Park Rental to Day Care Centers from other municipalities \$150.00 per day. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to purchase two tires for Pick up truck. Tires were slashed in Borough Garage parking lot. Estimated cost \$190 per tire. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to start working on getting restrooms in the Dominic Manzella Park. Carried

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

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

Motion by William Baer seconded by John Kahn Sr. to adopt the Resolution for Trash charges \$54.00 /qtr for 2011. Carried

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Motion by William Baer seconded by Susan Grimes to adopt the Resolution for Sewer charges \$120.00 from 01/01/11 thru 03/31/11. \$130.00 effective 04/01/11. Carried

Councilor Kathy Spayd reported that 2 purchase orders totaling \$404.89 were written for the month of November.

Motion by Kathy Spayd seconded by Larry Reber to pay the contract for Service Mark to service heating and cooling units. Cost \$1640.00/yr. Carried

Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 25th at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall.

Crime Watch Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 12th at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall.

ENGINEER

Storm Sewer Project – Elizabeth and Raymond Street - This project is on hold until funding becomes available.

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2010/2011 – Video Pipe completed the remaining work. SDE has received and reviewed invoices for the work completed and recommends payment in the amount of \$35,300.00 subject to receipt of the Final DVD's and Reports.

Motion by William Baer seconded by John Kahn Sr. approving payment of Invoice Nos. 2 and 3 to Video Pipe Services, Inc. in the amount of \$35,300. Carried

SDE reviewed the need to renew the Sewer Maintenance Contract with Video Pipe Services for 2011 with the costs remaining the same as the 2010 Contract.

Motion by Kathy Spayd seconded by Larry Reber approving the renewal of the Sewer Maintenance Contract with Video Piper Services for 2011.

Storm Sewer Project- Kutztown Road and Grove Street- This project is on hold until funding becomes available.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- TENANT LANDLORD INSPECTIONS – 4 completed rental inspections, 0 reinspections and 4 home inspections
- REPLACE LIGHT FIXTURES IN BOROUGH HALL WITH NEW EFFICIENT FIXTURES
- SEWER CONTRACT WITH CITY – ANOTHER MEETING TO ACCEPT IT
- PUMP HOUSE – READING ELECTRIC NEW GAUGES

Bills in the amount of \$147,240.74 including payroll from the general fund and \$159,102.36 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Kathy Spayd. Carried.

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Mayor's monthly report read and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. Spayd seconded by Larry Reber. Carried.

Building Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Kathy Spayd seconded by Susan Grimes. Carried.

Deputy Code Officials report was received and filed on motion by Kathy Spayd seconded by Larry Reber. Carried.

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by William Baer. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chief Fisher will have a presentation for Council regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement at the next Meeting. He also gave an update on the Cody System.
- Taser guns sent out to be repaired.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M. on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary