

LAURELDALE BOROUGH  
April 11, 2011

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, and Chester Bogacki. Also present were Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher, and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien. Councilor John Kahn Sr, Councilor William Baer and Mayor Fred Feltenberger were absent.

Motion by Kathy Spayd and seconded by Larry Reber to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR:

Reviewed the Police Mutual Aid Agreement with Muhlenberg Township and is in the process of making some changes. Will send a copy to Borough and Solicitor for Muhlenberg Township in time for the next meeting.

Policy for ADA Parking guidelines was reviewed. Working on a Resolution for the Borough of Laureldale that would incorporate the ADA Guidelines.

Solicitor is working on changes for the Ordinance to include No Truck Traffic signs for Rosedale St, Margaret St and Frush Valley Rd. Ready to advertise that draft for passage at the next meeting upon motion of Council.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Kathy Spayd to advertise the ordinance for the no truck traffic signs. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Municipal Retirement Trust Reports  
PSAB Update  
Letter from Resident Barbara McGowan  
Sign Retro reflectivity Requirements  
County of Berks – Planning Commission  
Muhlenberg School District Town Hall Meeting  
County of Berks – Office of the Commissioners Breakfast  
Berks County Assoc of Boroughs Dinner Invitation

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Kathy Spayd to purchase and install 3 volt and 3 amp meters for the Sanitary Pump House Emergency Generator from Reading Electric Total cost \$1345.00 Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to renew the contract with Telco for Traffic Signals in Borough. Current contract expires June, 1, 2011 Carried

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Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to purchase 6 Stop Signs and 4 Handicap Signs with hardware from Miller Supply. Total cost \$417.60 Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to purchase a spray paint gun, paint and lacquer from Kline's Auto supply for repainting Borough Trucks. Total cost \$132.00 Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Kathy Spayd to purchase (12) 28" Safety Cones from Luppold Hardware. 12 cones Total cost \$180.00 Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to have Berks Traffic do the street line painting per their quote of \$5170.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to install (2) No Left Turn signs at the Muhlenberg Middle School exit between Holtry and Fulton Sts. on Bellevue Ave due to school traffic. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Susan Grimes to install (2) No Left Hand Turn signs with a time sign from 7 am to 4 pm at Frush Valley Rd and Kutztown Rd due to school traffic. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to adopt a resolution authorizing the Roadmaster of Laureldale Borough (Patrick O'Brien) to use his discretion on No Parking Sign widths at homeowners drive ways. Carried

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

Councilor William Baer was absent. Amy Beakley, Secretary, reported on the sewer department and total gallons of water through the pump house for the month of March.

Councilor Kathy Spayd reported that 7 purchase orders totaling \$2929.00 were written for the Month of March.

Motion by Kathy Spayd seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to purchase parts for the Sanitary Sewer Pump House. Valves from G & A total cost \$2880.00. Repair work to be done by Street Dept Crew

Motion by Susan Grimes seconded by Larry Reber to adopt a Resolution to upgrade the light fixture in the handicap parking spot in back of Borough Hall by Met-ed. Carried

Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 26th at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall.

Crime Watch Meeting will be Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall.

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**ENGINEER**

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

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2010/2011– SDE met with the Borough Staff to review proposed work for 2011. SDE prepared and sent Work Order No. 1 dated March 29, 2011 to Video Pipe Services outlining the proposed work to be done. Video Pipe Services confirmed receipt of Work Order No. 1 but no start date has been scheduled yet. SDE will coordinate the work with the Borough Staff.

Storm Sewer Project- Kutztown Road and Grove Street- Pat O'Brien contacted PennDOT to review options to resolve drainage issues.

3412 Montclare Street (Filly Marco Property) - Final restoration work remains to be completed. Brice Excavating is expected to start restoration work the week of April 11, 2011.

**Reported Under New Business**

FEMA Flood Plain Ordinance- SDE received a Model Ordinance from the Berks County Conservation District. SDE has prepared a DRAFT Ordinance and copies were provided to the Borough and the Borough Solicitor for review. The Ordinance needs to be adopted by the end of the year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- TENANT LANDLORD INSPECTIONS – 4 home inspections and 3 Rental Inspections
- SEWER CONTRACT WITH CITY – ANOTHER MEETING TO ACCEPT IT
- BARBARA MCGOWAN, 3326 RIDGEWAY ST., WITHDREW HER HANDICAPPED SIGN HER COMMENT WAS THAT SHE COULD NOT STAND THE HARASSMENT.
- FILLY MARCO PROPERTY, 3412 MONTCLARE ST, BRICE EXCAVATING WILL BE WORKING TO FINISH THAT PROJECT THIS WEEK.

Bills in the amount of \$ 174,847.46 including payroll from the general fund and \$ 31,829.60 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read by Chester Bogacki and filed on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Kathy Spayd. Carried.

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

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

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

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

NEW BUSINESS

- FEMA – Flood Plain – See Engineer's Report above.

- Security cameras for Garage and Boro hall – Councillor Kahn is working on this with Pat O'Brien.

Residents Patricia and Gary Kreiser, 3424 Fulton Street, addressed the Council regarding the sewer backup in their basement.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:550 P.M. on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. and Susan Grimes.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary