

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
 3406 Kutztown Road
 Laureldale, Pa 19605
 April 9, 2012

The regular meeting of the Laureldale Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President William Baer with the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members were present: Donald Raifsnider Sr., Jason Glessner, Roy Harrington, Diane Choiniere, John Kahn Sr and Susan Grimes. Mayor Fred Feltenberger was absent. Also present were Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien. Also in attendance was a Reading Eagle reporter Liam Migdail-Smith.

Motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Susan Grimes to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR:

Osmer Deming met with Borough Council President and Systems Design Engineering. The latest draft of the Sanitary Sewer Agreement with the City of Reading was discussed. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the City of Reading's Solicitor Derald Hay asking them to incorporate the issues the Borough of Laureldale had with the agreement. We are now waiting for a response.

COMMUNICATIONS:

County of Berks – Breakfast Meeting invitation
 Newsletter from Senator Judy Schwank
 Excellence in Local Government – Making Your Community Unique Seminar
 DEP Recycling Technical Assistance Seminar
 Excellence in Local Government- Upcoming Workshops
 Excellence in Local Government-GRCCI Invitation
 Muhlenberg Library – Thank You Letter
 PSAB April Update
 Municipal Retirement Trust
 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report
 Assoc. of Mayors Clambake Invitation
 PEMA E-Mail – Urging residents to be ready for floods and other emergencies

Motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Diane Choiniere to adopt the Prevailing Wage resolution. All Councillors' will sign the resolution. Carried

Councillor John Kahn Sr. reported that the 2011 Audit report was received by the Borough of Laureldale and that it would be available for public review after Council has had a chance to review it.

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by John Kahn Sr. to release the Letter of Credit from Wells Fargo on behalf of The Saylor Farms Subdivision project upon receipt of the \$1500.00 cash escrow. Carried

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Councilor Susan Grimes reported on the street department and gave the fuel report for the month of March.

Motion by Susan Grimes seconded by Roy Harrington to adopt the resolution allowing for the disposal of Borough paperwork. Carried

Councillor Susan Grimes reported that there will be a Crime Watch Reorganization meeting at Margherita's on April 18th at 6:30 pm.

Councilor Roy Harrington reported on the Sewer Department and total gallons of water through the pump house for the month of March.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Susan Grimes to establish the Personnel Committee. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Susan Grimes to advertise the 2013-2015 Trash Contract. Carried

Councilor Jason Glessner reported that 3 purchase order totaling \$804.00 were written for the Month of March.

Motion by Jason Glessner to approve the Police Contract. Upon a roll call, the following votes were received. Jason Glessner, Susan Grimes, Roy Harrington, Diane Choiniere, William Baer Voted Yes. Donald Raifsnider Sr and John Kahn Sr. Voted No. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Diane Choiniere to Advertise the Floodplain Ordinance. Carried

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by John Kahn Sr. to purchase mulch for the playground areas from Ridgewood Soils. Estimated cost \$2000.00 to be paid by Recreation Board. Carried

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Susan Grimes to advertise the 2nd Annual Community Wide Yard Sale on May 19th and 20th in the Merchandiser. Carried

- Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 24, 2012 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- 2012/2013 – SDE issued Work Order No. 1 to the Contractor by letter dated 3/14/12. Contractor arrived on March 26, 2012 to perform the work but did not have the hydrant adapter as required by the Contract to obtain water for performing the required work. Contractor has ordered the adapter and is expected to be back within 1-2 weeks to perform the work.

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Storm Sewer Project- Kutztown Road and Grove Street- Final Paving was completed. Final Payment Application was received from Barrasso Excavation requesting an amount of \$6,687.31. SDE has reviewed and recommends payment in the amount of \$6,687.31 to Barrasso Excavation, Inc.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by John Kahn Sr. approving payment application No.2- final to Barrasso Excavation in the amount of \$6,687.31. Carried

Restrooms at Manzella Park - SDE contacted the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to review the possibility of installing a holding tank at the park site for sewage disposal from proposed restroom facilities. Based on the anticipated sewage volume, a holding tank may be permitted for this site provided the Borough has a Holding Tank Ordinance in place.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- TENANT LANDLORD INSPECTIONS – 5 Home Inspections
- SECURITY CAMERAS- LOOKING FOR FUNDING
- GUARD RAILS AT MANZELLA PARK- PAT O'BRIEN IS LOOKING IN TO PRICING
- YOUNG LUNGS AT PLAY ORDINANCE WILL BE PASSED AT THE MAY COUNCIL MEETING

Bills in the amount of \$220,836.53 including payroll from the general fund and \$34,099.64 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read by Chief Ronald Fisher and filed on motion by Susan Grimes seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried. Total taxes collected through March 2012 - \$154,284.84.

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

(9) Permits Issued

Total Estimated Cost \$97,771.00

Total Fees Collected \$2,141.00

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

(6) Ordinance Violation Notices Issued

(5) Completed at time of this report

(0) Citations Issued

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

(4) Permits Issued through March 2012

(3) Licenses Issues through March 2012

Total Amount: \$890.00

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

Council then went in to an Executive Session on personnel issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary