

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
 3406 Kutztown Road
 Laureldale, Pa 19605
 October 8, 2012

The regular meeting of the Laureldale Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President John Kahn Sr. with the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members were present: Donald Raifsnider Sr., Jason Glessner, Roy Harrington, Diane Choiniere, and Larry Reber. Susan Grimes was absent. Also present were Mayor Fred Feltenberger, Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Steve Moyer, Acting Chief Thomas Link and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR:

A meeting between representative from the Deming Law Office, Systems Design and Laureldale Borough regarding the City of Reading Sewer Agreement. Osmer Deming will draft a letter to the City of Reading in response after an analysis is completed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PSAB Municipal Retirement Trust
 PSAB October Update
 Ordinances and Law Library Update from PSAB
 The Municipal Roundtable – Excellence in Local Government
 Municipal Law Forum - Excellence in Local Government
 PA Recreation & Park Society Workshop
 CET Engineering Svcs Newsletter

Councillor Larry Reber reported that the Finance Committee will be meeting on Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 pm to work on the 2013 Budget.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner to order a Mig welder from GTS Welco. Sale Cost \$ 1829.58. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner to adopt resolution for MMO Police pension plan for 2013. Contribution is zero. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to adopt resolution for MMO Non-uniformed employees pension plan for year 2013 is \$47,299.00. Monies are fully funded by state. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Larry Reber to accept the Personnel Committee's changes to the Employee Handbook. Carried

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Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Larry Reber to have Solicitor Osmer Deming obtain a Quit Claim Deed in order to transfer the remaining property on Bellevue Ave to the Ambulance. Transfer tax will be approximately \$120.00. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Diane Choiniere to renew the Energy contract with Constellation Energy. The current contract expires Sept. 2013. Carried

Councillor Diane Choiniere reported on the Street Department and gave the fuel report for the month of September.

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Larry Reber to appoint Chester Bogacki, 3304 Orchard Place, to the Zoning Board. Clarence Warczyglowa has formally given his resignation. Carried

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

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber to transfer \$100,000 from the Sewer Savings acct to a CD with better interest. Leaving a balance of \$25,000. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to have the Civil Service Committee run the test. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to vacate a 255' x 20' alley and a 4' x 15' alley located 120' east of Montrose Avenue. This is between Marjory Street and Bennett Street on the Borough of Laureldale topographical map. The two alleys are to be vacated after the sale of the two properties that are located on this parking lot to Yuasa Battery. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Diane Choiniere to donate \$500.00 to the Berks County Crime Alert. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to purchase two evidence bags for the Police Department. Estimated cost \$ 900.00. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Larry Reber to pay the 2013 Membership Dues of \$60.00 for the PSMA Membership. PA State Mayor's Association. Carried

Councillor Diane Choiniere reported on the Parks and Recreation department for the month of September.

The Laureldale Recreation Board will have its annual Christmas Tree Sale on Friday, December 7th and Saturday December 8th. The tree sale will be moved back to the Borough Hall for 2012

- Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, October 30, 2012 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- 2012/2013 – SDE requested proposals from potential contractors for a total of four (4) dig-up repairs to the sanitary sewer system at two (2) locations in Emerson Avenue between MH 2 and 3 and two (2) locations in King Street between MH 222 and 223. SDE indicated three (3) proposals were received and recommended the Borough award the work to the lowest bid submitted by Barrasso Excavation, Inc. for a total cost of \$18,495.00.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to issue the Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed with the Sanitary Sewer dig-up repair work to Barrasso Excavation, Inc. at a total cost of \$18,495.00. Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (2) Home Inspections
- Guard rails at Manzella Park- Pat O'Brien is looking for better pricing
- One way streets in Laureldale will become a long term project between Pat O'Brien, the Street Committee and the Police Department.

Bills in the amount of \$ 167,499.84 including payroll from the general fund and \$1560.58 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read and filed on motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Larry Reber. Carried. Total taxes collected through September 2012 were \$14.96. Carried

Building Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Diane Choiniere. Carried.

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

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried.

(0) Permits Issued through September 2012.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. October 26th - 7:40 to 10:00 will be the breakfast meeting for Municipal Government officials. The meeting will be held at the Strausstown Fire Co. Please let Amy know by October 16th if you wish to attend.
2. Donald Raifsnider Sr. asked for and received Council's approval to seek grants to fund bathrooms at Dominic Manzella Park.
3. John Kahn Sr. asked for and received Council's approval to get pricing to build two new offices in the large Council room. Estimated cost at this time is \$8500.00

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M. on motion Roy Harrington by seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary