

LAURELDALE BOROUGH  
 3406 Kutztown Road  
 Laureldale, Pa 19605  
 November 12, 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 Keith Showalter, Acting Chief Thomas Link and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien. Reading Eagle Reporter Liam Migdail Smith was in attendance.

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Diane Choiniere to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

Resident Donald Fegley, 3419 Kutztown Road, explained that the chimney on the house next door to him was in bad shape and could fall on to his house. He requested that the Borough of Laureldale talk to the homeowner and get it fixed or removed. Patrick O'Brien will look in to it.

#### SOLICITOR:

City of Reading Sewer Agreement – Deming Law Office sent a letter to the City of Reading and is currently waiting for their reply in writing.

Contract between the Muhlenberg Township Water Authority Contract and the Borough of Laureldale will be updated and submitted to the Borough.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

PSAB Municipal Retirement Trust  
 PSAB Municipal Retirement Trust 2011 Annual Report  
 PSAB November Update  
 Berks Municipal Partnership Brochure  
 Invitation to the Municipal Networking for Conservation Dinner  
 Invitation to the State of the Environment in Berks Breakfast  
 Reading Area Market Value Analysis Memo  
 Costars Autumn Newsletter

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to advertise the 2013 Budget. Carried

Councillor Jason Glessner reported on the Street Department and gave the fuel report for the month of October.

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

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Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. for Pat O'Brien to proceed with the construction of two new offices in the large meeting room. Approximate cost \$8500.00. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Diane Choiniere to approve the request of Mayor Fred Feltenberger to get new name tags and badges for the Police Department. Total cost from Ernst Licht \$2500.00. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Larry Reber to approve a Resolution to update the Emergency Resource Manual. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded Larry Reber to accept Councillor Susan Grimes' letter of resignation. She will be moving out of the Borough of Laureldale in 2013. Carried

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

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

- Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall

### ENGINEER

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2012/2013 – SDE notified Barrasso Excavation, Inc. to proceed with the four (4) dig-up repairs to the sanitary sewer system. SDE reviewed and approved shop drawings submitted by the Barrasso for the work. Barrasso will contact Pat O'Brien prior to start of work and it is anticipated that the work will be completed by the end of the month.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (4) Home Inspections
- Guard rails at Manzella Park- Pat O'Brien is looking for better pricing
- Restrooms at Manzella Park
- 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 \$214,775.43 including payroll from the general fund and \$36,937.87 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried.

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

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Roy Harrington. Carried. Total taxes collected through October 2012 were \$458.11. Carried

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

Deputy Code Officials report was received and filed on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

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

(5) Permits Issued through October 2012. Total \$349.00

Resident Gary Fick, 3305 Fairfield Street, addressed Council. He is a member of the Steelworkers Union at Exide. He explained that the Union was trying to find a buyer for the plant in the hopes of saving the 180 jobs that will be lost.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary