

LAURELDALE BOROUGH  
3406 Kutztown Road  
Laureldale, Pa 19605  
January 14, 2013

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. Also present were Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Acting Chief Thomas Link and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien. Mayor Fred Feltenberger was absent. Reading Eagle Reporter Liam Migdail Smith was in attendance.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to appoint Zachary Kuhn to fill the vacancy on Council. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Roy Harrington to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

#### SOLICITOR:

City of Reading Sewer Agreement – Once signed the Agreement would be effective 12/31/12. Solicitor's recommendation is that the Borough sign the agreement.

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

Newsletter from Highmark

PSAB Newsletter

Muhlenberg Ambulance Thank You Letter

Sprint Correspondence outlining the upcoming changes to their service

Councilman Larry Reber explained that the Finance Committee was planning to meet with Borough Department heads to look at the 2013 Budget. In a Workman's Compensation renewal meeting it was found that the Borough's insurance policy may increase by \$70,000 in August of this year. This increase was not planned for and needs to be discussed.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to adopt the Schedule of Fees Resolution for 2013. Carried

Donald Raifsnider Sr. informed Council of his plans to attend a grant seminar with Patrick O'Brien in February. He is working on getting grant money to build restrooms at the Dominic Manzella Park.

Councillor Zachary Kuhn reported on the Street Department for the month of December.

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

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Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to send Patrick O'Brien to training for Residential Mechanical. This training will be for 24 credits. Total cost \$395.00. Date of training Feb. 4-7, 2013. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Zachary Kuhn to execute the City of Reading Sewer Agreement. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Jason Glessner authorizing the Solicitor to advertise the Sewer Agreement Ordinance for the February 2013 Council Meeting. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Roy Harrington to set up e-mail addresses for Police Department. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Larry Reber to purchase a copier for the Mayor's office. Carried

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

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Larry Reber to adopt the resolution allowing for the disposal of Borough paperwork from 1998 through 2006. Carried

- Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 29, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall

#### ENGINEER

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2012/2013 – SDE notified Tri-State Grouting of the renewal of their Contract for 2013. SDE reported the sanitary sewer dig-up repair work was completed by Barrasso Excavation, Inc. in December. SDE reported additional pipe needed to be replaced as part of the sewer dig-up repair work based on inspection of the existing pipe during the construction. An invoice from Barrasso Excavation, Inc. requesting a total amount of \$24,835.00 was received and reviewed by SDE letter dated 1/8/13.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber approving the payment to Barrasso Excavation, Inc. in the amount of \$24,835.00. Carried

Noble Street Sewage Pumping Station- SDE reported a quotation was received from Envirep, Inc. for upgrading the existing pump station alarm/monitoring system with a new Omni Site system that will allow the Borough to observe the pump station operating conditions 24 hours a days via the Internet. The cost of the new system is \$3,840.00 and this includes 3 years of cellular service.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere accepting Envirep's quotation for the new Omni site Pump Station Monitoring System in the amount of \$3,840.00. Carried

City of Reading/Chapter 94 Report for 2012- The City will be requesting the Chapter 94 Report information for 2012. SDE requested authorization to proceed with preparation of the Chapter 94 Report upon receipt of the request for this information from the City.

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Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner authorizing SDE to prepare the Chapter 94 report for 2012 upon receipt of the request for this information from the City of Reading. 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 \$164,784.24 including payroll from the general fund and \$8,847.34 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried.

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

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried. Total taxes collected through December 2012 were \$9,483.71. Carried

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

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

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried. (3) Permits and (10) License Renewals Issued through December 2012 - \$1029.00. Carried

#### NEW BUSINESS

1-Update Board and Commission Reappointments for February's Council Meeting

2-Council will discuss dates for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Community Wide Yard Sale at February's Council Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M. on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary