

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
3406 Kutztown Road
Laureldale, Pa 19605
October 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: Jason Glessner, Roy Harrington, Diane Choiniere, Zachary Kuhn and Larry Reber. Also present were Mayor Fred Feltenberger, Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher, Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien and Reading Eagle Reporter Karen Feick. Councillor Donald Raifsnider Sr. was absent.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

Resident Barbara McGowan from 3326 Ridgeway Street addressed Council with her concerns regarding the noise and trash from her neighbor. Chief Fisher advised her to call the Police whenever the music was being played. Mayor Feltenberger asked her to come to the Borough Hall to fill out a complaint form.

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Elizabeth Magovern, standing in for Osmer Deming, had nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PSAB September Update
Municipal Retirement Trust
2013 Fall Programs Brochure – Albright College
Muhlenberg Community Library Minutes

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Zachary Kuhn to adopt the 2014 Minimum Municipal Obligation for Non-Uniform Pension, as well as the 2014 MMO for the Police Pension. Possible State Aid for 2014 is \$69,000.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Roy Harrington to adopt Ordinance #483. This Ordinance changes the requirements for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan for new employees. These changes include adding:

- (1) A 10-year service requirement for normal retirement eligibility;
- (2) A 15-year service requirement for early retirement eligibility; and
- (3) A change in the benefit formula to 1.5% of average monthly compensation per year of credited service.

Motion Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Zachary Kuhn authorizing Patrick O'Brien to send Mike O'Brien and Al Correnti to Chain Saw Application training. Total cost \$140.00. Carried

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Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner authorizing Patrick O'Brien to send Billy Kutz to a class on Vehicle Laws of PA and Denny Martin to a class on Playground Maintenance. Total cost \$140.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere requiring all items over \$500.00 be required to get three quotes before purchase. Carried

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

Motion by Zachary Kuhn seconded by Larry Reber to order 12 tires from Temple Tire for two dump trucks. Total cost \$3000.00 Carried

Motion by Zachary Kuhn seconded by Larry Reber to sign the 2014 contract with the Animal Rescue League. Total Cost \$1000.00 Carried

Motion by Zachary Kuhn seconded by Diane Choiniere to purchase the tool to install the street signs from Fisher Rental. Total Cost will be \$4620.00. This money will be paid out of Liquid Fuels. 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 Jason Glessner seconded by Zachary Kuhn authorizing the Borough to join the Drug Free PA program. This will allow the Borough to take advantage of discounts applied to the Worker's Compensation policy. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Larry Reber authorizing Chief Fisher to purchase 8 flashlights from the Officer Store. Total cost \$815.84 Carried

Councilor Diane Choiniere reported on the Parks & Recreation for the month of September.

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Zachary Kuhn to place an ad in the Reading Eagle on Sunday, October 27, 2013 letting the residents know that Halloween will be on Thursday, October 31, 2013. Trick or Treat times will be from 5pm to 9pm.

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

ENGINEER

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2012/2013 – The DRAFT proposed Work Order to be issued to Tri-State Grouting was reviewed with the Borough Staff and Sewer Committee. SDE will issue Work Order No. 1 for 2013 to Tri-State Grouting for an estimated cost of \$57,000.00. SDE will coordinate the Contractor's work schedule with the Borough Staff.

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Sanitary Sewer Flow Metering- SDE reported they reviewed a Quotation received from JS Instrumentation & Calibration, LLC to replace the existing circular chart recorder with a new paperless chart recorder at a total cost of \$2,392.00. A copy of the proposed paperless chart recorder information was sent to the City of Reading for review and approval as this would be used for recording and billing purposes. SDE recommended the Borough accept the quote and purchase the proposed paperless chart recorder at a cost of \$2,392.00 subject to approval being received from the City of Reading.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Zachary Kuhn to purchase a new paperless chart recorder from JS Instrumentation and Calibration, LLC in the amount of \$2,392.00 for installation at the Borough's metering pit, subject to approval by the City of Reading. Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (5) Home Inspections were completed

Bills in the amount of \$189,971.15 including payroll from the general fund and \$213,667.86 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Zachary Kuhn. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read and filed on motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Jason Glessner. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber. Carried. Total taxes collected through September 2013 were \$809.58 Carried

Building Inspector's report was received and filed on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Zachary Kuhn. Carried

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

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Larry Reber. Carried. (5) Permits and (1) License was issued through September 2013 - \$436.00. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Diane Choiniere to adjourn at 7:50. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary