

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
3406 Kutztown Road
Laureldale, Pa 19605
November 11, 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, Donald Raifsnider Sr. 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 Liam Migdail Smith. Councillor Zachary Kuhn was absent.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Diane Choiniere to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Osmer Deming reported that he received a call from the health care worker of one of the Borough's residents and they requested that the water be turned on for their client. This resident on Hawthorne Street had their water shut off due to nonpayment of sewer for several quarters. The Solicitor recommended that Council accept a payment plan offered by the Resident.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to accept the payment plan offered by the resident on Hawthorne Street. Carried

COMMUNICATIONS:

Municipal Retirement Trust
Muhlenberg Community Library Minutes
Reading & Northern Railroad reminder letter to Maintenance Crews and Rail Customers
E-mail – The Rep.Rozzi Report regarding home heating assistance
E-mail – Governor's Center for Local Government Services
Thank you letter from Muhlenberg Area Ambulance Assn.
Fall/Winter 2013 Berks County conservation District Newsletter
Happy Columbus Day card from Ridge Technologies

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere to advertise the Proposed 2014 Budget. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner to reorder 250 Borough Brochures from Ad-Net. Total Cost \$175.00. Carried

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner to switch phone service from Verizon to Comcast. Carried

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Councillor Roy Harrington reported on the Street Department for the month of October.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. to pay the 2013 Membership dues for the Borough's Association. John Kahn Sr. will be the voting delegate. Total Cost \$50.00.
Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber to adopt Resolution #2013-06 accepting the Municipal Hazard Mitigation Plan. Carried

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

Councillor Jason Glessner reported that 4 Purchase Orders were written for the month of October totaling \$492.18.

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Diane Choiniere to approve the Benecon Liability Policies. Carried

Motion by Jason Glessner seconded by Larry Reber to sign a contract with Fraser Information Systems. This will include a server, software, firewall and backups. Carried

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

Motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by Roy Harrington to donate \$500.00 to Berks Crime Alert. Carried

- Recreation Board Meeting will be Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Borough Hall

ENGINEER

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2012/2013 – SDE issued Work Order No. 1 for 2013 to Tri-State Grouting for an estimated cost of \$57,000.00. The Contractor will coordinate his work schedule with Pat O'Brien. The Contract with Tri-State Grouting expires 12/31/13. SDE requested authorization to prepare specifications and advertise for bids to be received at the December 9, 2013 Council Meeting.

Motion by Larry Reber seconded by Roy Harrington authorizing SDE to prepare specifications and advertise for bids for Sanitary Sewer Maintenance for 2014 with option to renew for 2015.
Carried

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Council was asked to go out the week of December 15th to vote on their three favorite houses as part of the 1ST Annual Christmas decorating contest.

- (5) Home Inspections were completed

Bills in the amount of \$180,222.35 including payroll from the general fund and \$33,081.95 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read and filed on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Larry Reber. Carried.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Diane Choiniere. Carried. Total taxes collected through October 2013 were \$2284.84 Carried

Building Inspector's report was received and filed on motion by Larry Reber seconded by Jason Glessner. 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 Diane Choiniere. Carried. (11) Permits were issued through October 2013 - \$1195.00. Carried

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by Jason Glessner to adjourn at 7:45. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary