

LAURELDALE BOROUGH
 3406 Kutztown Road
 Laureldale, Pa 19605
 May 12, 2014

The regular meeting of the Laureldale Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Larry Reber with the pledge to the flag. The following Council Members were present: Jason Glessner, Roy Harrington, Diane Choiniere, Donald Raifsnider Sr., Zachary Kuhn and John Kahn Sr. Also present were Mayor Fred Feltenberger, Solicitor Osmer Deming, Engineer Keith Showalter, Chief Ronald Fisher, and Street Supervisor Patrick O'Brien. Reading Eagle Reporter Valdis Lacis was also in attendance.

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

SOLICITOR:

Solicitor Osmer Deming reported that there were no pending legal issues facing the Borough.

President Larry Reber informed Council that the Comp Time Policy will be discussed further at the June Workshop Meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

PSAB April Update

Municipal Retirement Trust

Minutes of Muhlenberg Community Library Meeting April 14, 2014

Thank you letter from Muhlenberg Area Ambulance Assn.

Police Schedule for April 2014

Governor's Center for Local Govt. Services April 2014 Newsletter

E-mail from Rep. Mark Rozzi – April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Councillor Diane Choiniere made a motion, seconded by Zachary Kuhn to donate \$500.00 to the Berks County Conservation District. Carried

Councillor Zachary Kuhn reported on the Street Department and gave the fuel report for the month of April.

Motion by Zachary Kuhn seconded by John Kahn Sr. to approve the request for a handicapped sign for Resident Deborah Eppenstein, 3628 Montclare Street. Chief Fisher has approved these requests. Carried

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

Councillor Jason Glessner reported that there was one PO for the month of April totaling \$178.00.

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Councillor Jason Glessner, seconded by Diane Choiniere made a motion to adopt Lien Ordinance #486. Carried

Councillor John Kahn Sr. reported on the Parks and Recreation Department for the month of April.

John Kahn Sr. seconded by Zachary Kuhn made a motion to replace the damaged Playground Equipment at Manzella Park. Cost to reorder from George Ely Associates is \$1835.45. Carried

Councillor John Kahn Sr. reminded everyone that the Borough of Laureldale will have its 4th Annual Community Wide Yard Sale on Saturday May 17th and Sunday May 18th from 7:00 am until 5:00 pm each day.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (7) Home Inspections were completed in April 2014.

ENGINEER

Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Contract- 2014/2015 – SDE met with a representative of Tri-State Grouting and the Borough Staff to review the remaining work that was not completed as part of the work order issued in October, 2013. SDE is waiting for the Contractor's schedule to complete this work and will coordinate the work with the Borough.

Laptop Computer for Sewer Department - SDE reviewed the purchase of a laptop computer for the sewer department with the Borough Staff and recommends the Borough purchase a Dell Latitude E6420 XFR rugged type laptop at a cost of \$2,419.00. The laptop will be used for downloading the flow metering data, monitoring of the pump station, along with mapping of the Borough's sanitary sewer and storm sewer system to be used to mark PA One Calls.

Motion by Roy Harrington seconded by John Kahn Sr. authorizing the purchase of a laptop for the Sewer Department. Cost \$2149.00. Carried

Bills in the amount of \$167,138.67 including payroll from the general fund and \$31,178.05 from the sewer revenue account to be paid on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Donald Raifsnider Sr. Carried.

Mayor's monthly report was read and filed on motion by Roy Harrington seconded by John Kahn Sr. Carried.

Mayor Fred Feltenberger asked the status of the proposed bulletin board for the front of the Borough Hall Building. He was informed that it was put on hold due to lack of funds.

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Mayor Fred Feltenberger requested that a key to the Secretary's office be given to Chief Fisher. This will be discussed at the next workshop meeting.

Mayor Fred Feltenberger informed Council that he had received complaints from his Officers regarding the smell of smoke in the building.

Mayor Fred Feltenberger asked if Council would consider paying Chief Fisher the Educational Incentive Pay that is in the Police contract. Council denied this request since the Chief is considered Management, not covered under the contract.

Mayor Fred Feltenberger asked about the status of his request to attend the PA Mayor's Assoc Conference in July of 2014. Council asked for details regarding the conference before making a decision.

Tax Collectors monthly report received and filed on motion by Zachary Kuhn seconded by John Kahn Sr. Carried. Total taxes collected through April 2014 were \$559,769.75. Carried

Building Inspector's report was received and filed on motion by John Kahn Sr. seconded by Zachary Kuhn. Carried

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

Plumbing Inspector's report received and filed on motion by Diane Choiniere seconded by John Kahn Sr. (3) Permits were issued through April 2014- \$372.00. Carried

Motion by Donald Raifsnider Sr. seconded by Roy Harrington to adjourn at 7:55. Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Beakley, Secretary