

President Frank Quattroco called the Regular Meeting of the Kenhorst Borough Council to Order at approximately 6:02 PM. Present: Vice President David Roche and Councilmen Al Correnti, Richard Fritz, Kieran Holland and Edward Mohn, Mayor Nickolas Hatzas, Borough Manager Jeri Diesinger, Solicitor Jill Nagy, Reading Police Chief William Heim, Fire Chief Roger Weidenheimer and Tax Collector Joanna Roche. Borough Secretary/Treasurer, Eileen Becker, recorded minutes of the meeting. Absent: Councilman Jay Ibach. As previously advertised, the regular business meeting was held in the Kenhorst Volunteer Fire Company Social Quarters Hall.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

RESIDENTS - No residents asked to be heard

MEETING MINUTES - President Quattroco asked for a motion to approve the May 5, 2011 meeting minutes which all Council members have had a chance to review. Councilman Roche made said motion. Councilman Holland seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous.

BOROUGH HALL GARAGE DOOR - President Quattroco told Council that he had authorized the Borough Manager to proceed with getting the garage door repaired at the Borough Hall building. One of the large bay doors fell off its track – due to safety and security reasons, it needed to be repaired immediately. The Overhead Door Company quoted an estimated cost for the repair of \$1,200.00. At some point in the near future, the other two overhead garage doors at the Borough also need to be replaced.

MAYOR HATZAS - Submitted report for ticket/fine revenue received in May: Police - \$135.00 and District Justice - \$288.47 for a total of \$423.47.

FIRE CHIEF WEIDENHEIMER - Submitted fire activity report for May – there were 23 calls and no financial loss to the Borough

TAX COLLECTOR JOANNA ROCHE - nothing to report.

FINANCE, COUNCILMAN FRITZ - Councilman Fritz announced the total of the May 2011 bills and made a motion to have them approved. Councilman Mohn seconded the motion and the roll call vote was unanimous.

CODES & EMERGENCY SERVICES, VICE PRESIDENT ROCHE - Kraft Code Services Report - Reviewed Kraft's report for May regarding permits and property transfer inspections.

PARKS & RECREATION, COUNCILMAN HOLLAND

- The Parks and Recreation Committee interviewed seven playground leader candidates and hired four of them. Formal authorization for their hiring to follow in New Business.
- The Borough will be proceeding to replace the windows at the Community Center. Specifics will be covered under New Business.

PROPERTY, COUNCILMAN CORRENTI - Council Correnti stated that Tim Overly provided the lowest of the four bids received by the Borough. He made a motion to proceed with the work

and commented that the funds will come from the remainder of the DCED grant that must be used by the end of June 2011. Councilman Holland seconded the motion. Roll call was unanimous and motion passed.

SANITATION, COUNCILMAN MOHN - Councilman Mohn reported that he will continue to keep a close eye on the trash hauler's service – they have improved since the last council meeting.

STREETS, COUNCILMAN IBACH - In Councilman Ibach's absence, Borough Manager Diesinger reported that she is working with PennDOT on the bids for this year's street projects. Depending upon the bid costs and repair priorities, the following re-paving work is planned: High Blvd. from Liberty to Commonwealth, Haig Blvd. from Fayette to Kenhorst, Commonwealth Blvd. from 2ND Street to Upland and Hancock Blvd from Milford to Quentin. The Borough will do the ADA curb ramp work prior to the street work. The Borough's engineer, McCarthy Engineering, is preparing the bid specs for advertising the curb ramp work. The plan is to have the work done prior to fall if possible.

SOLICITOR NAGY - Solicitor Nagy's items will be covered under the Community Forum Information portion of the meeting.

BOROUGH MANAGER DIESINGER - The Borough Manager's report to Council included a update on the Sewer Arrears Recovery efforts - approximately \$12,000.00 has been collected in May (\$96,000.00 in total).

OLD BUSINESS - There were no old business items.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approval of Ordinance #533** - At the April 7, 2011 Council meeting, Council voted to approve advertising an increase of the Sewer Rate minimum from \$70.00/quarter to \$80.00/quarter to be effective as of 7/1/2011. The draft ordinance was duly advertised. Councilman Roche made a motion to approve Ordinance #533. Councilman Mohn seconded the motion. The roll call vote was unanimous and motion passed
- **Playground/Community Center Repairs/Replacement** – The window replacement and hot water installation at the Community Center, as well as four new infant swings at the playground will be paid out of the \$5,400.00 remaining from the original \$10,000.00 DCED grant. These items need to be completed before June 30, 2011 per the provisions of the grant. Authorization for new windows made earlier.
- **Playground Leaders** – As previously discussed, authorization was requested to formalize hiring of this year's four playground leaders as follows: Audrianna Osorio, Head Leader - \$13.00/hour, Bryce Dutt, Assistant Head Leader - \$12.00/hour and Assistant Leaders Rachel Marra and Tarryn Griffith - \$9.00/hour. Sixteen applications were received and seven interviews were held. Councilman Holland made a motion to formalize the hiring of these four leaders; motion seconded by Councilman Correnti. Roll call vote was unanimous; motion passed.
- **I/I Sewer Lateral Repair** – Mrs. Diesinger reported that out of four bid requests, only two companies responded and Wexcon provided the lowest bid at \$19,075.00. She is looking for Council's authorization to proceed with Wexcon to repair the laterals on Woodcrest Drive and Fern Avenue that are leaking the worst (eight in number). Councilman Roche made said motion. Motion seconded by Councilman Holland. Roll call vote was unanimous and motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

REGULAR MEETING OF KENHORST BOROUGH COUNCIL/COMMUNITY FORUM
June 2, 2011

- It should be noted that according to Section 1402d.(1) – contracts on purchases shall not require advertising bidding or price quotes for maintenance repairs or replacement of public works of the Borough.
- Rental Ordinance Revision – Authorization requested to finalize work with the Solicitor on changes to the Borough's Rental Ordinance for adoption at the July meeting. The changes will include but are not limited to increasing the annual rental permit fee and requiring annual inspections as opposed to every two years on all rental properties. Councilman Roche made said motion and Councilman Mohn seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous and motion passed.

REMARKS – there were no additional remarks.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Vice President Roche and seconded by Councilman Correnti to adjourn the meeting. The business portion of the Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 PM.

PRESENTATION OF CURRENT ISSUES, 6:30 – 7:00 PM - Council proceeded with the next portion of the evening:

- Introduction – Council President Quattroch
- Southern Berks Ambulance Association Request for Funding – Councilman Fritz
- Sewer Rate Increase – Borough Manager Diesinger
- Update on Alvernia Field Lights and Noise – Solicitor Nagy
- Draft Permit Parking Plan – Council Vice President Roche
- FEMA Flood Insurance Map Changes – Borough Manager Diesinger

CHIEF OF POLICE HEIM

Chief Heim submitted his report after the formal Business Meeting was concluded due to his late arrival. Solicitor Nagy said it was not necessary to reopen the official Business Meeting in order to hear the Chief's report.

COMMUNITY FORUM – OPEN HOUSE, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Borough staff members, consultants, Councilmen and resident volunteers manned tables to provide information and answer residents' questions:

Information Stations:

- Administration – Jill Nagy, Erin Searer and Eileen Becker
- Budget and Finance – Jeri Diesinger, Richard Fritz and Joanna Roche
- Buildings and Grounds – Al Correnti and Dieter Stucke
- Codes, Permitting and Zoning – Dave Roche, EJ Walsh, Glenn Kraft
- Emergency Services – Police/Fire – Nickolas Hatzas, Chief Heim, Chief Weidenheimer
- Parks/Playground/Recreation – Kieran Holland and Audrianna Osorio
- Roads/Sanitary Sewer/Stormwater Systems – Frank Quattroch and Dwayne Hart
- Trash and Recycling – Ed Mohn
- Resident Volunteers – Neighborhood Watch: Stacy Hertzog and Bill Lange, Recreation Committee: Jo Ann Gottschall

ATTEST:

Eileen D. Becker – Secretary/Treasurer