

A special meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Sinking Spring was opened on Monday, November 13, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., at the Sinking Spring Borough Hall, by President George Butkus. After the Pledge to the Flag, Regina M. Shade called the roll reflecting the following Council Members present:

George Butkus
James Zerr
Dennis Leiby
Bruce Light
Lawrence S. Schmidt
Stewart Wenrich (absent)
Barbara Kutz

Other officials present were: Clarence Noecker, Mayor; Michael Hart, Public Works Director, Regina Shade, Borough Secretary/ Treasurer who recorded the minutes of the proceedings.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT BUTKUS:

Mr. Butkus stated he Mr. Leiby and Chief Ulrich attended the “Meet the School Board Local Municipality Night.” The School Board will not be taking the \$5.00 out of the \$52.00 we collect for the Emergency Management Tax. Mr. Butkus explained why they won’t be collecting it. He continued to explain some of the plans the school district has for the future. A discussion ensued as to the veto made by the Governor and the fact that it may be enacted some time early next year. A brief discussion ensued. Mr. Leiby stated that they are looking into buying the old Boscov’s building for housing of the school buses. They are also thinking of moving offices to our area as well. Mr. Schmidt stated that would mean lost revenue for us. The problem is they don’t know how they would be able to get the buses out due to the backup of traffic. Wyomissing was there representing the portion of the school district that is located in their municipality.

NEW BUSINESS:

The first item was whether the Borough wants to open the day after Thanksgiving. We have always been open in the past. Mr. Zerr feels we should close it. Mr. Light stated most business places are closed the day after Thanksgiving. Mr. Light made a motion to close the Borough Hall for the day after Thanksgiving; seconded by Mr. Zerr. A discussion ensued as to how the police will paid along with everyone else. Mr. Leiby questioned how it works in the library. Mrs. Shade stated that the library is already closed. He was surprised; he figured that would be a busy day for them. Mrs. Shade stated they often run on the same schedule as the school district; however we do pay them. Mr. Butkus feels that this was a day for the people who had a hectic work schedule to stop in and get permits if needed. Mr. Light stated that for the years he has been around, the day after Thanksgiving, no one comes around. Mrs. Kutz stated that people are going to be going Christmas shopping or if they aren’t going shopping, they don’t want to leave their house cause of the traffic. Mr. Zerr stated most guys are going to be going to hunting camp. AYES - 3 (Mrs. Kutz, Mr. Leiby, Mr. Light), NAYS – 1 (Mr. Butkus), ABSTAIN - 2 (Mr. Zerr and Mr. Schmidt); ABSENT – 1 (Mr. Wenrich); motion carried.

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The next issue was if Borough employees will be getting a Christmas bonus. Mrs. Shade stated that she will need to know as she only has one (1) pay before the Holiday Party. She stated we paid \$75 to full time and \$50 to part time employees. Mr. Light said we gave it in the past; it is good public relations. This would be for full time and part time for year round staff only. Mr. Light made a motion to pay \$75 to the full time employees, and \$50 to the part time employees for Christmas' bonuses; seconded by Mrs. Kutz. AYES – 4, NAYS – 0, ABSTAIN – 2, ABSENT – 1.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into an executive session for a personnel related matter at 7:20 p.m.

RECONVENE:

Council reconvened at 7:28 p.m. No action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

The next item was appointing the negotiating committee for the street department contract. Mr. Butkus stated that at an executive session the street committee was appointed; however he failed to appoint them at a public meeting. He stated it was discussed that it was not practical to have the lawyer at all the meetings as he will have to read the contract at the end. Mr. Zerr questioned if Mr. Hart was going to sit in on the negotiations. Mr. Butkus stated yes. Mr. Zerr feels that Mr. Keller should be involved in the negotiations. He should be there for at least one (1) or two (2) of the meetings. Mr. Zerr feels that it is important that he sits in on the negotiations. Mrs. Kutz stated she feels there will be no real big changes. Mr. Schmidt feels they will be looking for some real big changes. Mrs. Kutz stated that she feels it won't be easy, but she doesn't see why the attorney would need to meet with them. They could meet with the group the following day. Mr. Leiby stated that they will not be meeting the next day. Mr. Gombos (union rep) has other negotiations and will not be able to make it. He will give us dates. Mr. Schmidt agrees with Mr. Zerr, he feels that Mr. Keller should be at the meetings, at least the first one (1) for sure. It would be in our best interest. Mr. Leiby questioned if they will know after the first meeting if there will be a problem. Mr. Zerr said they will have a good idea. Mr. Leiby stated then after the first meeting if we have a problem then we can call the attorney. Mrs. Kutz agrees. Mr. Zerr stated there are a lot of rumors on the street. Mr. Light agrees with Mr. Zerr and Mr. Schmidt. Mr. Keller directs you, Mr. Light said. He will speak up if he sees something that is "not right." Mr. Butkus has no major problem with that. Mr. Leiby stated they are just trying to save money. Mr. Schmidt stated Mr. Keller is very honest; he will tell you if he is needed at the meeting or not. Mr. Schmidt stated we handled the police contract without him. He was in constant contact with him. Mr. Light stated he even said; he doesn't want to take our money. He doesn't want to come down here unless he must as he is from Lancaster. A brief discussion ensued as to certain items that Mr. Keller gave them direction on in regards to adding and removing items from the contract. Mr. Zerr wants to save money as well, but he does feel it is necessary to have him at the first meeting. Mr. Leiby stated that Mr. Keller should set up the meeting with Mr. Gombos as he does not know what his schedule is. Mr. Butkus stated we will have to call him the next day. A discussion ensued. Mr. Hart will be sitting in on the negotiations. A discussion

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ensued as to who will be on the committee. Mr. Light made a motion to appoint Mr. Leiby, Mrs. Kutz, and Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Hart as the negotiation committee and Mr. Keller will sit in on at least the first meeting; seconded by Mr. Leiby. AYES – 5, NAYS – 0, ABSTAIN – 1 (Mr. Zerr), ABSENT – 1; motion carried. Mr. Butkus would like to see the issue of the paid lunch discussed. Mr. Schmidt would also like to see the “seniority” issue be addressed when it pertains to certain issues. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Zerr stated since he was going to be incapacitated for a bit, he wanted Mr. Hart, Mr. Schmidt, or Mr. Light to make contact with Mr. John Schaak and give him the numbers regarding the fire hydrant piggybacking. Our budget was changed to reflect this. Mr. Hart thinks he counted about eighty (80) hydrants. Mr. Zerr stated he was given the number ninety six (96). PA American stated they have about forty eight (48). Mr. Zerr feels we should rely on the data from the fire company. We need to update our hydrants, Mr. Zerr said. Each municipality has different threads. Spring Township is doing theirs. His committee is on board with this. It will cause a tax increase but this must be done. A discussion ensued as to own the fire hydrants. The cost would be \$9,120.00 for all remaining fire hydrants. This is the cost if we piggyback with Spring Township. Currently only seventeen (17) have the adapters on.

Mr. Zerr made a motion to authorize Mrs. Shade to contact Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Perfetto to send a letter to the police department regarding their pension; seconded by Mr. Schmidt. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried.

BUDGET:

Mr. Zerr started with the fire company budget. The budget will be short for the year end protections for 2006 due to unforeseen bills. The income for 2007 will be 126,976.38 which reflect a slight increase from .0005 mils to .00065 mils. Mr. Zerr thanked Mr. Light and Mr. Schmidt for their tireless efforts the night of negotiations with the fire company and the two (2) prior budget meetings. When this budget started out they were about \$40,000 short but between the three (3) member committee and the three (3) new chiefs at the fire company, they came up with this budget. The budget originally was for an increase to .0006 but when the fire hydrant item was brought to the table, the fire company stated they will place it in their budget if we could go to .00065 mils. The budget is self explanatory. The committee is very comfortable with it. Nothing is in the budget that does not need to be replaced. Mr. Zerr gave a brief rundown of all categories. The committee made the recommendation that we pass the budget with the knowledge that we will have to enact a slight tax increase to .00065.

The next item was the police budget. The Chief created his budget. One (1) of the items that the Chief brought up was the fact that under the new Rt. 422 project we will need to put in the pre transmitters for the traffic lights. This won't be in the 2007 but probably in the 2008 budget. Some decisions are going to be made. The police department budget is only about \$6,000 or \$7,000 more than this year's budget. Mr. Zerr stated he does not see anything out of the ordinary. Mr. Leiby asked some questions about the pre transmitters. Mr. Zerr stated they will probably need to sit down

with the engineers and discuss how this will work. He explained how the pre transmitters will work.

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discussion ensued as to how they will work turning them on and off. Mr. Leiby asked if the ambulances will be on the system. Mr. Schmidt stated they are already using them.

Mr. Light discussed the recreation budget. He stated that Mr. Zerr was ill the night the rec board met however he did go over the budget with him. Mr. Zerr stated many of his concerns were taken care of. Mr. Light stated the budget for 2006 was \$62, 500.00. Mr. Light said they were over budget due to two (2) items. The first one (1) being, we went over budget by about \$10,000 on the basketball court. The second item was that the \$13,750.00 we had to pay to Brookfield Manor for the playground shed. The 2007 budget will be \$65,000.00. Mr. Light went over the breakdown for each category. There are no major repairs planned for next year; however they did place \$25,000 in the budget just in case. In addition, some of this money will be used to help purchase some Holiday decorations. Mr. Zerr and Mr. Light both feel that maybe another department will pick up some of the cost as well. Mr. Butkus stated if the money is available he has no problem with that. Mr. Zerr stated we are now taking care to two (2) playgrounds. He reminded Council that we are talking about reseeded Brookfield Manor playground. We are not sure but it could happen. Mr. Butkus stated we will be hosting the Memorial Day Parade this year.

Mr. Butkus asked Mrs. Shade if we put anything in under library for the carpeting. Mr. Leiby stated we did. Mrs. Shade stated she put in \$20,000.00 under the building portion of the budget.

Mr. Butkus asked Mr. Hart to give Council an update on the leaks that were found. Mr. Hart stated there were about twelve (12) leaks found on the roof. The major one (1) was around the conference room. The other area was around the front of the building in the parapet area. Mr. Schmidt stated it was discussed at some point to have a rubber roof placed up there. Mr. Hart agreed that would be the best thing. Mr. Schmidt feels we should put this into the budget over the next few years. Mr. Zerr stated the rubber roof will not come cheap. Mr. Hart agreed. We were also talking about getting rid of the units on the roof and placing them down on the ground for easy access. That is for changing the heating system. Mrs. Shade stated that is in the budget already. She said we have been carrying this over. Mr. Hart feels we should be up on the roof at least three (3) times a year doing maintenance. A brief discussion ensued as to repairing the roof.

Mr. Leiby reminded Council again about the \$20,000.00 that was put into the budget for the carpeting in the library. He also stated that this amount might be on the high side as we really don't know what the cost of the carpeting will be. Mr. Butkus asked Mr. Leiby, his committee, Mr. Hart, and Mr. Ludgate to get together and decided what street projects should be done for next year. Mr. Hart has been walking every street. Vester Place should have been done next year; however we did not apply for CDBG money at the appropriate time. Mr. Schmidt stated that puts Vester into 2008. Mr. Leiby stated he thought Mr. Ludgate was looking into seeing if we could apply late for that money. Mrs. Shade stated she thought Mr. Ludgate did try however he was unsuccessful.

Mr. Schmidt questioned if we were moving ahead with the pole building. Mr. Leiby stated that it was moved into the 2007 budget. The pole building is at the Borough garage. A discussion ensued as where to place the pole building. No heat will go into the building. Mr. Schmidt feels we

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should move ahead with this project. Our equipment should not be sitting outside. Mr. Hart stated they are not hard to build as long as you have enough people.

Mr. Zerr stated we have the opportunity to acquire some fuel tanks. He wondered if this had been discussed. Mr. Leiby stated "no"; he felt his would be a good time to discuss it. Mr. Zerr stated that he was told that the Council President had received some type of letter about this. Mr. Butkus did not tell him about this, so what he heard was all "hearsay." Mr. Zerr said we should do something about this and soon. Mr. Butkus stated the offer came from Leffler. They have two used (2) one thousand gallons tanks that are double lined. They can just be set in place. The price of the tanks is \$10,719.25 less 25% per tank. The price includes electric, pumps, one (1) inch nozzle hose, emergency vents, vent caps, overflow arms, digital gage, and overflow protection. When Mr. Butkus spoke to Mr. Hart the prior week, he felt it would be good to pick up at least one (1). Mr. Zerr stated that this cost was for both tanks. Mr. Light agreed. Mrs. Shade calculated out and the cost would be \$8,039.44. Mr. Zerr stated years ago there were tanks at the garage however they were cramped up there. He wondered if there was room up there for the two (2) tanks. Mr. Zerr wants to see the two (2) tanks as the fire company could also use those tanks for their fuel as well. The fire company always had access to the pumps before. This would be diesel and that is all the fire trucks use. They can go anywhere for gasoline for the cars. Mr. Zerr stated if there is a problem as far as room goes, he has already spoken to the fire company and they are willing to allow the two (2) tanks to be set up on their property. Mr. Zerr would like Council to think about this option as this would give the big trucks the ability to maneuver around there. Mr. Hart was thinking about even the sewer plant as an option as there is a lot of room there. He would like to see one (1) for diesel and the other for gasoline. Mr. Wenrich was going to check into this and see if one (1) can be used for gasoline as both were used for diesel prior. Mr. Zerr stated that gas is more available to us during a storm, if we had to, we could use both tanks for diesel. Mr. Zerr stated he does not believe you can get gasoline above ground anymore. Mr. Hart said you can with a double wall tank. Mr. Schmidt made a motion to purchase the two (2) tanks; seconded by Mr. Light. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried.

Mr. Schmidt questioned if we need to make a motion to change the fire tax from .0005 mils to .0065. Mr. Butkus stated not at this time. Mrs. Shade said that we will need to make this motion as it needs to be put into an ordinance changing the tax rate. Mr. Schmidt questioned when this would need to be passed. Mrs. Shade said she would like to see it passed at the December 7, 2006 Council meeting as it will need to be advertised. Mrs. Shade stated that the budget must be lay open for ten (10) days. Mrs. Kutz made a motion to change our fire tax milage from .0005 to .0065; seconded by Mr. Schmidt. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried.

The last section that needed to go over was the administration portion. Mr. Butkus stated that Mrs. Kutz wanted to go into executive session for a possible personnel matter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council went into executive session at 8:30 p.m. for a personnel matter.

RECONVENE:

Council reconvened at 9:15 p.m. No further action was taken.

ADMINISTRATION:

Mrs. Kutz made a motion to pay (for the office, then was corrected by Mr. Butkus) the Non Uniformed, non-contractual employees, they will receive a COLA raise in the Federal amount of 3.3% and a fixed monetary amount either per hour or per year depending on their evaluation; seconded by Mr. Leiby. At the December meeting we will pass a resolution stating such. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried. Mr. Schmidt explained how COLA worked at his job. A discussion ensued as to who would be getting this type of raise. It was decided that for budget purposes we will leave everyone in at 4.5%. A brief discussion ensued as to how this will work with the raises.

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Mr. Butkus asked Mr. Schmidt to review the 2007 sewer budget. The income will be \$881,200.00. The expenses come to \$816,400.00. Mr. Hillibush and Mr. Schlott are currently working on a five (5) year plan. Mr. Schmidt feels the sewer is completed. Mr. Zerr questioned if we have any Borough sewer workers. He stated nothing was listed under the fringe benefit section so he was just wondering. Mr. Schmidt stated no we don't. Mrs. Shade stated we do not breakout the road crew wages. She continued to explain that they do work for the sewer department, rec work as well as back at the yard waste site. All their salary is "lumped" into the street salary category. A discussion ensued as to the cost of insurance for next year. Mrs. Shade explained that the insurance is paid out of the general fund and then the sewer reimburses us for their portion.

The yard waste/trash/recycling was the next issue. Mr. Schmidt was asked to get a price from Spring Township to use their site. The cost would be about \$4.68 per person based on 3,000 people. Mr. Schmidt explained that we don't have 3000 actual residents based on the 2000 census so the amount might be off a bit. It would be around \$13,195.00. A discussion ensued as to whether it would financially be better to go with Spring Township or keep it in house. Mr. Hart stated he feels the cost of fuel, the cost of the guys to clean up, Zwicky's cost to pick up the dumpsters; it probably would be cheaper to go with Spring Township. A discussion ensued as to how often the dumpsters are emptied. Mr. Schmidt feels we should close up our site and go with Spring Township. The Mayor feels we should keep our site open...we created, we graded it...we trained our people, now we want them to change. Mr. Zerr feels we need to take care of the space we have in regards to where we store our equipment. Mrs. Shade stated we pay \$230 every time a roll off is taken away. She saw it roughly about two times a month, some times more. Another discussion ensued as to how much we pay Zwicky to come in and chip what is back there. It is not monitored either, Mr. Butkus said. Mr. Zerr feels we could put our pole building back there and store our equipment. It is not that far away. Mr. Leiby feels we will save about \$5,000 even if we do nothing back there. Mr. Schmidt does not know how to save the residents anymore on trash. Mr. Butkus had two (2) thoughts on this. Mr.

Zerr made a motion to contract with Spring Township regarding their yard waste site not to exceed a cost of \$5.00 per person and close our current site; seconded by Mr. Schmidt. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carries. Mrs. Shade requested that we keep the amount the same for budgeting **BUDGET (cont'd):**

purposes for 2007. We might be able to adjust if for 2008. Mr. Butkus stated he talked with a Council member at the other end of the County. They bill by trash can. Each year the municipality buys a different color trash can for that year. They bill by trash can. Each year the municipality buys a different color trash can for that year. All residents that have trash collection must have at least one (1). He explained that you buy the trash cans at a cost and that is how you make the income you need. They usually offer two (2) sizes. These trash cans will serve two (2) purposes. Some streets want everyone to use a trash can, and this will provide that. You will need to buy another can if you have more than what fits in that can. You are paying for what you put out. Mr. Butkus would like to find a way to fine people for putting things out too early or not cleaning up what was not picked up. There is no major penalty currently. Mr. Schmidt agrees. Mrs. Shade stated we will not be able to do that. Our contract does not allow this at the current time. We could try to alter the contract but Mr. Butkus feels it would cost us more money at this point. It is roughly \$235,000.00. That includes everything. Mr. Schmidt questioned since that is our cost, how many trash cans will we need to sell to recoup this cost? Mr. Butkus stated that we will need to make the assumption that all households have four (4) people in them. A four (4) person house will require two (2) cans. Based on that, you will establish the cost per can. Mr. Schmidt feels that it will not work the way. A discussion ensued. Mrs. Shade stated it probably will be just like trying to make the residents buy bags. They won't do it. Some people will buy the cans others will just let the trash accumulate in their backyards. Mr. Zerr said we are in a no win situation. The Mayor feels we only have one (1) problem that is the one (1) person that we are charging the \$200.00. No one else is complaining. Mr. Butkus agrees with the Mayor. Mr. Schmidt asked Mrs. Shade when we were looking at changing the way we collected the fees, how many single, elderly people do we had living in the Borough. He was told 61. He asked Mrs. Shade how many people called and complained they were single and over 65. She said too many to count. The Mayor stated bill it on per capita. Mr. Schmidt said that is where it was billed before and it didn't work. Mrs. Kutz stated that is because people come and go; it is hard to keep track of. Mrs. Shade stated that not all the landlords call and inform the Borough when people move in and out. That is why we started the census. The first year that the census was sent out, it netted us about \$20,000 in fees. People at first didn't know why we were doing this, and then they got smart and all of sudden not all the people that were listed on the form the year before showed up the following year. That is what created are shortfall. The forms are not practical anymore, so we don't send them out. Mr. Leiby asked of the 61 that are single and elderly, how many come for relief. Mrs. Shade stated one (1). Mr. Zerr questioned what we charged her. Mrs. Shade stated half (\$100). Mr. Leiby questioned if we could cut those people's cost in half? Mr. Schmidt stated sure, we could. Mrs. Kutz stated that more people are now saying they are single so this might not work. Mr. Light stated Mr. Biggs told him that in the apartment next to him, two (2) people moved in, a week later there are six (6) more living there, the sheet states there are only two (2) people living there. A discussion ensued. Mr. Schmidt stated we do grant them relief, if they can prove it is a hardship. Mr. Leiby wanted to know the hardship "cut" number. It is \$12,500.00, the PACE limit. Mrs. Shade stated what is really odd about this, is that everyone complained, but no one came in and asked for relief, with the exception of one (1). Mr. Butkus stated that others might have tight monies, but don't qualify for PACE, or their pride wouldn't allow them to come in. Mr. Butkus stated some people he knows that live in apartments, were brought up that you are self reliant and you don't ask for help. Mr. Schmidt

stated we bill the landlords not the tenants, if they choose to attach that to their rent that is not are fault. In addition, we would not be able to exonerate her or him as

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their name is not on the bill. Mr. Leiby questioned if the amount will stay the same. Mr. Schmidt said yes. The only thing that will change will be apartments. The \$400.00 charge for the apartment will remain the same, but for each additional apartment over two (2), there will be an additional \$100 charge per apartment. He gave this example, if you have a three (3) unit apartment building you would be paying \$500.00, \$400.00 for the first two (2) apartment units, and \$100.00 for the third unit. Mr. Butkus was questioning if the landlords pay their bills by March 31st. Mr. Butkus then asked if they are getting some type of sewage bill to which Mrs. Shade stated yes. He then was wondering why we would not bill them the same way. Mrs. Shade stated we are treating them as a commercial property, as a business. The tax collector bills all the commercial properties this way. In addition, if an apartment does get a dumpster, it is much easier for them to present all the required information to the tax collector just as a "business" owner would do and she will reimburse them whatever amount is needed instead of asking us to write checks back to residents/landlords, etc. In addition, we get that money in the beginning of the year when we can really use it. Mr. Butkus questioned on how we bill when businesses come in during the year. Mrs. Shade stated they get prorated. He continued what happens if someone sells their property during the year? Mrs. Shade stated it is all handled through the settlement company. They divide up who pays who, and when. The Borough does receive its money. Mrs. Kutz questioned that we don't do this, the settlement company does. Mrs. Shade stated yes, we don't prorate anything; the settlement company handles all of this. Mr. Hart questioned when commercial properties can dumpsters; do we get any money off of that? Mr. Schmidt stated no. Mr. Hart questioned if we charge a fee. Mr. Butkus stated not currently. A brief discussion ensued. Mrs. Kutz questioned what happens to a property that would have a hairdresser on the bottom and apartments on the top. Mrs. Shade stated that is commercial and they are billed by the tax collector at the commercial rate. Mr. Butkus stated that there is no cap on how many bags a commercial property can put out. Mrs. Shade stated that there is a limit; they have the same six (6) bag limit as the residential. Mr. Schmidt agreed. Mr. Butkus wondered where we stood with Mr. Schlessman. Mrs. Shade stated currently everything is working well. He has changed his cans, and Lebanon Farms is picking up the trash. Mr. Schmidt stated can we say we are going to leave it the way it is. Mr. Butkus said with the changes for the apartments. Mr. Schmidt stated yes, he meant that as the number because the budget reflects that change already. Mr. Butkus said we will have to change the resolution to reflect the change for the apartments. Mr. Schmidt agreed. The Mayor questioned, if people come down here and show a hardship will we change the amount they need to pay. Both Mr. Zerr and Mr. Schmidt stated yes. Mr. Schmidt explained we said that last year, this is already in place. They must be single and meet the PACE requirements. Mrs. Shade stated they didn't even have to show us a PACE card as long as their tax return showed no income greater than \$12,500, we would change their amount to \$100.00. Mr. Butkus would like future Councils consider another way of collecting the money...the people that produce more trash, pay more. Mr. Schmidt stated if anyone can figure out to do this, to let him know. He continued that there is one (1) member of Council that is adamant that we get out of the trash business. Mr. Butkus feels that this is a necessity of life. Mr. Schmidt stated they voted against it in the City of Reading. A discussion ensued.

BUSINESS:

Mr. Zerr stated that since Mr. Hart has come on board, there are several things he is going to

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need access to. Mr. Zerr has a form to join the member services of the NFPA. He would like to see Mr. Hart join this as he will receive information from them. Mr. Zerr made a motion to have Mr. Hart join any groups; purchase any books he might need without duplication; seconded by Mr. Light. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried.

Mr. Hart requested if he would be able to attend a class for \$95.00 regarding building and code issues. Mr. Schmidt made a motion to allow Mr. Hart to attend the class; seconded by Mr. Zerr. AYES – 6, NAYS – 0, ABSENT – 1; motion carried.

The next budget meeting will be held on Monday, December 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Zerr made a motion to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina M. Shade
Borough Secretary/Treasurer