

August 5th, 2013

The regular meeting of the Cleona Borough Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order by Jim O'Connor with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer. Members attending were Bill Bechtel, Ellen Burke, Richard Fields, and Elizabeth Lindsay. Also attending were Mayor Jack Hartman, Solicitor Colleen Gallo and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Larry Minnich
Sam Wengert

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for July 1st, 2013. **A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Ellen Burke to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for July 1st, 2013. Motion carried 5-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for July 2013. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer's report for July 2013. Motion carried 5-0.**

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Ellen Burke read Chief Bob Moyer's Report

In July the Fire Company responded to 46 calls, 21 in the Borough, 5 in Annville, and 3 in South Annville. Average turnout was 5.

Merger/Consolidation talks continue. Committee is currently compiling data as far as insurance costs, current municipal contributions, and future planning (apparatus replacement, equipment needs, etc.).

Fire Engine replacement cost has been provided to Bill Bechtel for future consideration by Borough Council.

Annville and Cleona Fire Companies will participate in National Night Out.

POLICE DEPARTMENT –Mayor Hartman

Police Chief's Report was submitted.

In follow-up to Brad Bowman's request at the last meeting, the Mayor reported that Officer Barta and Kerry had obtained information about the crosswalk and will be able to make some improvements. Kerry has made arrangements with Annville Township to paint the lines (piano keys) in August. Two portable crosswalk signs will be placed on the side of the streets and police will cover the area when Bowman's employees cross 422 for a couple of days.

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CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Larry Werner, 208 East Maple Street expressed his concerns with the siren behind the old Borough Hall. The siren is located behind his property and he has been dealing with it over the last 27 years. Mr. Werner asked Council to resolve the issue.

Kathy Bentz, 204 East Maple Street noted the last 6 times the siren went off the fire trucks were already on the road to their destination. She also had measured the decibel level of the siren with a reading of 100 decibels.

Nicholas Nowack, 25 North Garfield mentioned that his 16 year old son struggles when the siren goes off. Mr. Nowack was not aware of the siren when he bought his house.

David Bennett, Sr., 224 East Penn Avenue mentioned the siren pole is leaning on an angle and is prone to fall. Mr. Bennett also mentioned that the siren cannot be heard at Giant.

Matt Ditzler 122 West Union mentioned this topic has been presented to Council before with no resolution.

Ellen Burke will present this issue at the next Fire Company meeting. The Mayor and Ellen will coordinate a meeting between the Fire Company, the residents, the Mayor, and Ellen.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Larry Minnich absent

No report

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Borough Manager's Report was submitted by Kerry.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

Union negotiations have slowed. Ellen and the negotiations team waiting for the police union to respond to latest proposal.

Ellen had provided 5 questions to the Council members regarding the Fire Companies merger. She asked for feedback in time for the August 18th meeting. The Fire Companies are examining the financial cost.

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Richard Fields

Everything is working well.

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Dawn Heim of 7 East Penn Avenue expressed concern about condition of 11 East Penn Avenue. Property has been mowed by the neighbors and trash removed in attempt to keep the property presentable. Mrs. Heim reported that teens are entering the garage. The property will be given to Chris Miller, Code Enforcement Officer for inspection.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert absent

No Report

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Jim O'Connor

There are two movie nights left; August 9th – Despicable Me and August 16th – Rise of the Guardians.

Beth mentioned about National Night Out being held at the Park on August 6th from 6 to 8 pm. Activities and events are as follows: Life Lion will make an appearance, bounce house, candy scramble, emergence vehicles, etc. National Night is an opportunity for the community getting together.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay

Beth attended the monthly IPMC meeting. Activity has been a little busier during the summer months. The committee expects to see money owed to the Borough money returned when the vacant properties are sold.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – William Bechtel

Bill presented and reviewed the Financial Variance Report including a year to date comparison to last year.

Bill mentioned that last year Council had passed a Non-Uniform Pension provision. Because of changes in who will be administering the program, there has been a delay on actual final passage by Council. The agreement will be sent out to Council before the next meeting for their review and comments so Council can authorize Colleen to advertise at the next meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Colleen provided Council with a Solicitor's Report.

Colleen needed an executive session on a personnel matter.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, seconded by Richard Fields to adopt Ordinance #291- an ordinance of the Borough of Cleona, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, providing the Amendment of the Codified Ordinances of the Borough of Cleona. Motion carried 5-0.

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A motion was made by Richard Fields, seconded by Elizabeth Lindsay to adopt Ordinance #301 – and Intergovernmental Agreement of Cooperation to create a Regional Comprehensive Planning Committee. Motion carried 3-2 (Bill Bechtel and Ellen Burke No vote).

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay, approving the Sharon A. Young subdivision plan located along the south side of Hill Church Road, east of Mill Street in Cleona Borough, Lebanon County. Subdivision is a proposed conveyance of a lot addition containing 441 sq ft from Sharon Young to Dale E. Ebersole. Motion carried 5-0.

2014 Budget Worksheets were provided to Council. Preliminary numbers are due to the Borough office by August 30th.

2014 MMO for the Borough of Cleona Police Pension Plan is \$42, 365. This was presented to Council to meet the September 30th deadline. Changes (employee contributions) to the 2014 MMO can be made until the Final 2014 Budget is adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Cost Sharing Addendum to the fully executed Cooperative Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the SR-0422 Multi-jurisdictional Signal System (MJSS). There was no feedback from Council. The goal is to have all municipalities adopted the Cost Sharing Addendum by the end of October 2013.

Review of the Capital Projects minimum twice a year. No updates. Kerry will provide a copy to Council in August for their review. Colleen recommended two specific months be selected for review.

Council recessed into Executive Session on a personnel issue at 8:26 pm.

Council returned to General Session at 8:32 pm.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Christopher Miller and Brad Douple d/b/a, BCI Code Enforcement, 1995 S. Lincoln Avenue, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania 17042. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Ellen Burke to pay the bills for July. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Ellen Burke to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager