

June 2, 2014

The regular meeting of the Cleona Borough Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order by President Larry Minnich with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Lord's Prayer. Members attending were Ellen Burke, Don Hopple, Elizabeth Lindsay, and Jim O'Connor. Also attending were Mayor Jack Hartman, Attorney Corey Lamoureux filling in for Colleen Gallo and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Bill Bechtel and Sam Wengert

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for May 5th, 2014. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for May 5th, 2014. Motion carried 5-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for May 2014. **A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Ellen Burke to approve the Treasurer's report for May 2014. Motion carried 5-0.**

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Robert Moyer (absent)

No Report

Ellen shared with Council that merger meetings will begin again in September. The state is preparing combined financials.

POLICE DEPARTMENT –Mayor Hartman

Report submitted.

Mayor reported the last Aggressive Driving detail was done on Mill Street. There were 13 citations issued for speeding.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No Comments

3MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMP) – Josh Weaber, Steckbeck Engineer

Josh reported that he change the number of street sweepings to 4. He also changed the tree planting from 2 acres to 1 acres with trees 12 feet on center. The green practices stayed the same as originally presented. Jim expressed his concern of the dense planting of trees since the playground is one of the few open spaces in Cleona. Josh will change the wording for the tree planting as a riparian buffer along the stream at the Cleona Park,

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Municipal Building or Private Property Owners. Josh will make the changes and provide a copy for Kerry to distribute to the Council Members for their comments.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Larry Minnich

Larry shared with Council an invite to an informal drop-in for Richard “Shorty” Fields 90th birthday on June 22 starting at 2:00 pm.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted and reviewed.

Larry will talk to Lynne Fields on a location to plant a tree with a plaque in recognition of Richard Fields 40 years of service on Council.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Jim O’Connor to reimburse Officer Matt Bartal up to \$500 for travel expenses incurred for the Top Cop Festivities in Washington, DC. Motion carried 5-0.

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Don Hopple

Don is continuing to look into a free standing building, and has contacted Chris Miller on specs for storage of flammables and equipment.

To alleviate the lack of proper cooling in the police department, Don and Kerry are exploring a split system. Prices have been obtained from 2 out of the 3 vendors. **A motion was made by Don Hopple, second by Ellen Burke to proceed with the purchase of a split system not to exceed \$4,500 (Capital Fund). Motion carried 5-0.**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert absent

Larry shared with Council that Sam is working with the vendors to develop a systematic plan for the streets. He is also looking into where to utilize the money received from the County.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Jim O’Connor

Jim reported that Lori Yeich, DCNR had recommended applying for the DCED Grant. The DCED grant has a larger cap (\$250,000) and lesser match (15%).

Park opens June 16th with Megan Hammer returning as Park Director. Her hours will be 9:00 am to noon, Monday through Friday.

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First movie night is June 20th, *Despicable Me 2*

Jim reported that the green tube

slide has been repaired.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay

With arrival of Spring, code enforcement will be monitoring for high weeds and grass. She also reminded everyone that when mowing grass, not to blow the clippings on to the street.

Chris has been working on the vacant properties. There were 3 new vacant properties this month.

Street Sweeping will be done June 16th through the 19th.

Ellen complimented the vendor that mowed the grass at 29 W. Chestnut for keeping the grass clippings out of the street and the alley. The grass was waist high.

Mayor raised the question that since the Borough is mowing bank own properties, why the Borough does not go after the banks like we would with a private individual? Larry responded that the banks should receive the bills and a lien placed against the property.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel absent

No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Corey Lamoureux for Colleen Gallo

Report submitted by Colleen and reviewed by Corey.

A motion was made by Jim O'Connor, second by Ellen Burke to adopt Ordinance 304 to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with North Annville Township and execute the Agreement for police services. Motion carried 5-0.

Corey requested an Executive Session.

Mayor will be meeting with North Annville to work through some of the details. Officer Matt Bartal will attend the Township meetings.

The Chief, Mayor, and Ellen will meet to review the type of police vehicle to purchase, replacing the Ford Crown Vic.

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NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of honoring Richard Fields for his 40 years of service was done under Borough Manager's Report.

The stop sign at Liberty Alley and North Lincoln Street – Since motorists on Liberty Alley are failing to yield at this intersection, a resident on North Lincoln had requested that a stop sign should be considered. The Mayor would not be opposed to placing a sign at that location.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The MS4 proposed Best Management Practices (BMP) was discussed earlier.

There were no updates in reviewing the Capital Projects a minimum of twice a year.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:16 pm to discuss options on Chief's early retirement.

Council was back in General Session at 8:24 pm.

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

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager