

September 8th, 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 and Sam Wengert. Also attending were Mayor Jack Hartman, Attorney Colleen Gallo and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Elizabeth Lindsay, Bill Bechtel and Jim O'Connor.

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for August 4th, 2014. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for August 4th, 2014. Motion carried 4-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for August 2014. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Don Hopple to approve the Treasurer's report for August 2014. Motion carried 4-0.**

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Robert Moyer (absent)

No Report

Ellen informed Council the merger meetings will resume September 18th. She reported that over the summer finances were worked on by the companies.

POLICE DEPARTMENT –Mayor Hartman

Report submitted by Chief Barry.

The Mayor reported a stabbing occurred on Route 422.

Things are going well with North Annville Township. The Mayor is reviewing the cost of fuel compared to last year and may have to factor the wear and tear on tires for the 2015 Agreement. Ellen and the Mayor will be meeting with North Annville Township at the end of October to discuss the 2015 Agreement. With the Mayor patrolling Cleona, he also has had the opportunity to do the same for North Annville Township. Mayor commented that North Annville Township is a beautiful township.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Joe Auman of 202 South Mill Street stated, based on previous meetings, he supported the idea of the Borough securing a low interest loan for the streets. Joe also provide Kerry a book recording trees planted at the Park to start meeting MS4 requirements (Best Management Practices).

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Larry Minnich

Larry had received a call from Doctor Morasco, who expressed his concern with Comcast. Larry was hoping Dr. Morasco would have appeared before Council. Colleen gave an update about the Cohen Group and Comcast Franchise under her report.

The issue of the sign addressed in an email was resolved.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted and reviewed.

Special Budget Meetings were scheduled for October 27th @ 7:00pm and November 17 @ 7:00pm.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

The Ford Interceptor is due to arrive at Hondru Ford between October 1st and October 10th.

Due to the age of equipment and the operating system, quotes for laptops (notebooks) and desktops were obtained. Rather than use the old equipment from the Crown Vic and transfer it to the new Interceptor, **a motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert that \$3,125 of the Drug Forfeiture Monies be moved from the General Fund to the Capital Fund for the computer upgrade for the new vehicle. Motion carried 4-0.**

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert to move \$25,000 received from North Annville for Police Services from the General Fund to the Capital Fund to cover the purchase of the new vehicle (Interceptor). Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Don Hopple to use the remaining Drug Forfeiture Money of \$1,875 and the money collected by the Chief of \$1,086.25 for the purchase of two Tasers for the police department and for Officer Bartal to obtain instructor training. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert that \$3,400 be transferred from the North Annville money received in 2015 for the improvements, and upgrade of the computer in the Chevy. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen, second by Sam Wengert that \$42,000 of the monies received from North Annville in 2015, contingent on the contract being renewed, be moved from the General Fund to the Capital Fund to cover and offset the cost of a new vehicle. Motion carried 3-1 (Sam Wengert being the no vote).

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PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Don Hopple

Don reported that there is a break in the ramp on the west side of the parking lot. Estimates are being obtained to repair it. Snow stakes will be purchased to mark the edge of ramps and sidewalks.

The brick facing on the exterior wall, and the exterior window sill at the east side of the District Justice Office is deteriorating. Don would like to get it repaired before winter.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert

A motion was made by Sam Wengert, second by Ellen Burke to approve the contracts for Fogleman Enterprises and Geesaman Construction for the bids of snow removal submitted. Motion carried 4-0.

Sam reported that the curb cuts done over 15 years do not meet current code and will need to be re-done on the streets that were tentatively being planned for repaving. Sam would like to get the curb cuts done before the paving. Sam is hoping to get curb cuts done next spring.

The Mayor mentioned to Sam that the area sealed by Hoffer last year has grass and weeds growing up through it. Sam will mention something to Hoffer.

The Mayor mentioned that Chris was going to cite the church for weeds between the street and the curb at their parking lot. The Mayor believes the Borough would be responsible for the removal of weeds. Council and Colleen concurred that the Borough is responsible for maintaining the area between the street and curb.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Jim O'Connor (absent)

Larry shared the following from an email sent by Jim; Fall Festival date has been set for October 25th, from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay (absent)

No Report. International Property Maintenance Code information in Colleen's report.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel (absent)

No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Report submitted by Colleen.

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Colleen presented Council Ordinance #305 allowing the Cleona Borough Authority to amend its' Articles of Incorporation, essentially allowing them to take over the storm water issues, related to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). An amendment to Municipal Authority Act in 2012 would allow them to do this type of activity. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Don Hopple to adopt Ordinance #305. Motion carried 4-0.**

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert to increase the billing rate for Cleona Borough Counsel from \$135 to \$145 beginning January 1, 2015, and retain the services of Colleen Gallo for 1 year. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Don Hopple to approve and sign the Glenn A. & Ruth A. Firestone lot addition containing 4,129 sq. ft. in area from Glenn A. & Ruth A. Firestone (Deed #21899251 Tract 2) to adjacent lands also of Firestone (Deed #21899251 Tract 1). Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert to sign the Engagement Letter for the Borough of Cleona with Stanilla, Siegel, and Masser LLC for Auditing Services in the amount of \$6,050 for the audited year 2014. Borough can exercise an option to renew for 2015 and 2016 for \$6,200 and \$6,200 respectively. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Don Hopple to accept the Cohen Law Group Proposal to perform Cable Franchise Renewal Services for Cleona Borough, Swatara Township and North Lebanon Township. Motion carried 4-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reviewing the Capital Projects a minimum of twice a year. – There were no updates.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Sam Wengert to pay the bills for August. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke to adjourn at 8:28 pm.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager