

March 2nd, 2015

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

Absent: Sam Wengert

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for February 2nd, 2015. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for February 2nd. Motion carried 6-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for February 2015. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer's report for February 2015. Motion carried 6-0.**

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Robert Moyer

No Report

Ellen shared with Council that the Fire Company obtained a \$14,000 State Grant for hose and safety harness belts.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich

Due to a surgical procedure Sergeant Matt Rager is working limited hours.

Matt Bartel is back to work fulltime after a medical issue.

The computer in the Police Department needs to be replaced. Motion under new business.

The number of North Annville calls (9) was down for the month.

While patrolling North Annville with the Chief during the month, Larry experience the impact of snow has on their roadways, especially drifting across them.

A Memorial Dinner for Mayor Hartman was held at the Quentin Riding Club.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Larry Beam of 120 West Penn Avenue asked about a safety siren and shared his view on the importance of community policing (getting to know people). Ellen Burke explained she will be sharing information about the siren under her report. Mayor Minnich

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explained that he patrol's with the Chief one day a week and emphasized they normally stop to talk with residents in Cleona and North Annville. National Night Out held on the first Tuesday of August was an event for the community to meet the officers, but was cancelled last year due to lack of volunteers. National Night was not scheduled to be held this year for the same reason. Don Hopple will look into getting volunteers so the event could be held this year.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim O'Connor

Jim had requested an executive session to discuss findings on the hiring of a Chief.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted by Kerry.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

Ellen inquired about how many people have completed National Incident Management System (NIMS) training.

The price to install the siren on the roof at Meyer Oil was obtained. The cost was \$4,685. To defray some of the cost, Ellen is pursuing a possible grant

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Don Hopple

Don said the painting will be done when weather permits.

Don is doing some preliminary work on cost for the heating system.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert absent

No Report.

Mayor Minnich commended the snow removal contractors for a job well done during this snow season..

Kerry presented to Council a draft letter to be sent to residents living on streets proposed to be paved.

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RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley

Pat received the DCNR Grant Packet and forwarded a copy to Ann Yost, our designer/consultant and to Colleen Gallo. A meeting will be scheduled to review the information.

Pat provided a rough draft of the storage facility for Council to review. There is a need for more storage due to expansion of the Fall Festival and additional programs being considered. There was discussion on whether to go with a concrete floor or wooden floor on compacted stone.

Movie Nights as follows: 6/17 – Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day; 7/17 – Box Trolls; and 8/14 – Big Heroes 6.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay

Due to the cold weather, code enforcement has been slow, except for one trash and rubbish issue.

Signs are being removed from the vacant properties illegally.

Joe Auman of 202 South Mill Street, referencing Beth's earlier proposal on trash pick-up to save on wear and tear on the streets, shared with Council that he read in the newspaper where Myerstown is proposing an ordinance to have residents trash collected only on the main streets.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel

Bill thanked everyone for their patience as he dealt with personal issues, and will provide updated reports and review of capital items at the next meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Report submitted by Colleen.

Colleen reported that a meeting is scheduled to review Comcast response to proposed changes for the franchise agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Don Hopple to adopt Ordinance #307 – Amending the existing Codified Ordinance located at Chapter #1, Part 4B, S411, of the Code of Ordinances to allow for a window for early retirement and to eliminate the “Killed in Service Survivor Benefit” and signing the associated joinder agreement. Motion carried 6-0.

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A motion was made by Pat Haley, second by Ellen Burke to authorize the purchase of a 24' x 28' two story storage garage for the Park and Baseball including installation, not to exceed \$18,500 from Loysville Structures. Motion carried 6-0. The Budget for the building was \$24,000.

A motion was made by Pat Haley, second by Don Hopple to award the 2015-2016 mowing contract for the Cleona Park to Cutting Edge Lawn Service at \$275.00 per mowing, and 2015-2016 mowing contract for the Borough Hall to Fred Siebecker Property Management at \$55.00 per mowing. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to appoint Jon Wentling to temporarily fill Zachary Teisher seat on the Park and Recreation Board, while Zachary is deployed. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Ellen Burke to purchase a Tower Server including Server Configuration from In-Synch Systems for \$3,595.00. Motion carried 6-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to authorize Colleen to prepare the Ordinance and advertise for Leaf Waste and Weed Control Services from Annville Township. Motion carried 6-0.

Reviewing the Capital Projects a minimum of twice a year. No report.

Council Recessed into Executive Session at 8:06 pm to discuss the replacement of the Chief.

Council returned to General Session at 9:14 pm.

The Executive Session was extended and will be continued on March 5, 2015 at 7:00pm..

A motion was made by Elizabeth Lindsay, second by Bill Bechtel to pay the bills for February. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay for Council to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm.

Respectively Submitted

Kerry L Rohland

Borough Manager