

REGULAR SESSION ** ECONOMY BOROUGH COUNCIL ** JUNE 12, 2012

Council President Larry J. Googins called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of the Economy Municipal Building to conduct business of general purposes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Googins introduced Michael P. Kohlman, CPE, IFAS, Chief County Assessor. Mr. Kohlman presented a brief overview and fielded questions on the interim tax process.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: RJ Burns (7:32 PM), Courtney B. Barthelemy, Esq., Donald Sivy, Michelle Sovich-Lapinski, Dr. Gregory T. Trecha, Larry Googins

ABSENT: Gary Bucuren-Out of Town

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor David N. Poling, Dale M. Fouse, Esq., Scott Shoup, P.E., P.L.S., Randy S. Kunkle, Borough Manager

HEAR THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Googins opened the meeting to the public; give name and address for the record; restricted to borough business; try to be 3-5 minutes; directed to Council.

7:32 PM – Mr. Burns enters the meeting.

Sonya Kopchick, 299 Amsler Road, discussed the 2012 Budget bar chart in the Summer 2012 Economy Connection; shows where money is being spent; reported the Community Day was magnificent; reported she felt the Public Works Department did a marvelous job plowing snow on Amsler.

JoAnn Borato, 2001 Conway Wallrose Road, discussed the 2012 Budget chart in the Summer 2012 Economy Connection. Mr. Burns reported he felt the chart was skewed. Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski reported she will get with Mr. Burns regarding the chart.

Steve Yurkovac, 1010 Conway Wallrose Road, discussed how nice the Community Day was; reported Walmart are blood suckers; reported a sewage smell coming from the property of Adam Klimkowski, 960 Conway Wallrose Road; does not want another summer of this smell; feels there is an illegal tap in for the rebuilt garage. Mr. Kunkle reported the SEO, Daniel Baker, has been notified of Mr. Yurkovac's complaint. Mr. Googins advised we will have to wait for the report from Baker.

Dave Thielman, 550 Conway Wallrose Road, discussed the demolition of a house on 550 CWR in December, 2010, and getting his real estate taxes straighten out for 2011 showing the house removed and the sewer pipe being capped. Mr. Burns will provide the contractors demolition letter to Beaver County. Mr. Googins advised Mr. Thielman to contact the Economy Borough Municipal Authority regarding the sewer tap and future use of same.

Bill Raymer, 2834 Ridge Road Extension, discussed the capped sewer tap. Mr. Googins advised Mr. Thielman should contact the Economy Borough Municipal Authority regarding the sewer tap and future use of same.

Ray McClellan, 196 Shaffer Road, discussed the Economy Connection not having a picture of the Memorial as previously discussed. Mr. Kunkle will add Mr. McClellan to the list for input for the newsletter.

MINUTES:

MOTION by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski, seconded by Dr. Trecha – to approve the Minutes of the May 22, 2012, Regular Session of Council, as written. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS and OTHER BUSINESS:

PARKS & RECREATION:

Mrs. Barthelemy reported the Karate Camp has been cancelled.

PUBLIC UTILITIES: No Report

PROPERTY and BUILDING: No Report

PUBLIC SAFETY: No Report

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski asked that \$9,038.88 listed for line item 01.403.310 not be paid until further review.

MOTION by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski, seconded by Mr. Sivy - to pay the list of bills as stated from May 9, 2012, to June 12, 2012, with the exception of \$9,038.88 listed for line item 01.403.310 not be paid until further review. - CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

Dr. Trecha discussed the 2012 paving program.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Poling reported attending Community Day; had a blast; stayed all day.

Mayor Poling read the Mayor's Report for the Police Department for the month of May, 2012 as prepared by Chief Harrington, which will be on file for review in the borough secretary's office.

Mayor Poling discussed the Veterans Memorial and Memorial Day Services issues; this is a community event. Mr. Googins reported he is a veteran and if Mayor Poling needs help with the Memorial Day Service they can get together.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Ordinance No. 435-Planning Commission: Mr. Kunkle reported this is changing the Planning Commission to seven members.

MOTION by Mr. Sivy, seconded by Dr. Trecha – to adopt Ordinance No. 435 establishing the Economy Borough Planning Commission as discussed in the past.

Yes – Mrs. Barthelemy, Mr. Burns, Mr. Sivy, Dr. Trecha, Mr. Googins

No – Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski

Absent – Mr. Bucuren

Motion carried by a 5 Yes, 1 No, 1 Absent vote.

2. Recreation Board: Mr. Kunkle reported receiving a resignation from Renee Raymer from the Recreation Board due to a new job commitment and a letter of interest from David M. Hershberger to be a Recreation Board member.

MOTION by Dr. Trecha, seconded by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski – to accept the resignation of Renee Raymer from the Recreation Board with regrets. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Mrs. Barthelemy, seconded by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski – to appoint David M. Hershberger to fill the unexpired term of Renee Raymer on the Recreation Board; term expiring 12/31/2014. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Conditional Statement for the HOP: Mr. Fouse explained this is an agreement regarding the maintenance of the retaining wall in conjunction with the SR65 turning lane improvements.

MOTION by Mr. Sivy, seconded by Dr. Trecha – to authorize Council President to execute the Highway Occupancy Permit Condition Statement. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS:

ENGINEER:

Mr. Shoup reported the specification and bid documents for the milling are out and will be ready for Council action at the June 26th meeting.

Mr. Shoup reported on the review of the intersection of McGuire and Friel Roads; it is lacking sight distance. Mr. Kunkle will forward this to the CEO.

SECRETARY: No Report

SOLICITOR:

Mr. Fouse reported he needed an Executive Session to discuss the Ambridge Water Authority litigation; the Police DROP Plan and a personnel matter.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Sivy discussed the newsletter delivery issue; perhaps Council should get a new printing company. Mr. Kunkle reported the printer delivered the newsletter presorted and banded to the post office Monday morning; it went from Philadelphia to the North Side and was received at the locals in a mess. Suggestions and improvements were discussed.

HEAR THE PUBLIC II:

Mr. Googins reported he would open up the Hear the Public Part II at this time for any items discussed during the meeting.

JoAnn Borato, 2001 Conway Wallrose Road, discussed the budget regarding the paving program for 2012 and prior years.

Mark Brooks, 2040 Big Sewickley Creek Road, reported he was here regarding the Gross Plan of Subdivision No. 3 reviewed by Economy Borough Planning Commission on June 4th and waiting for the BC Planning Commission to make review; has a closing scheduled on June 26th.

MOTION by Mr. Sivy, seconded by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski – to approve the Gross Plan of Subdivision No. 3 conditioned upon the following: comply with the BCPC review comments of June 20, 2012, comply with the Planning Consultants recommendations of June 5, 2012, Shoup Engineer’s recommendations of May 21, 2012 and comply with all borough ordinances and regulations. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Steve Yurkovac, 1010 Conway Wallrose Road, suggested Council get with the 21st Century and put the newsletter on the web; CCBC interns could be used and it could be added to up to the deadlines.

Steve Borato, 2001 Conway Wallrose Road, asked if the new truck has been delivered. Mr. Kunkle reported it is currently being undercoated.

Mr. Sivy asked Mr. Kunkle to have the borough car returned to borough property from Smittys.

MOTION by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski, seconded by Mr. Sivy – to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Ambridge Water Authority litigation; the Police DROP Plan and a personnel matter, with no vote to be taken tonight. Time: 9:09 PM CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Mr. Sivy, seconded by Mrs. Sovich-Lapinski – to return to the regular order of business. Time: 9:46 PM CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Mrs. Barthelemy, seconded by Mr. Sivy – to adjourn the meeting. Time: 9:46 PM CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Blum
Borough Secretary
June 13, 2012

List of Bills attached to the Minute Book.