

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for September 19, 2016

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled September 19, 2016 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Treas. Amanda Layton; Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald (4:05 p.m.), William Kory, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher and Bob Morgan; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager; Mayor Mark Yonko (4:10 p.m.); Engineer Todd Banks

Absent: Attorney Michael Carbonara

Bid Opening:

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve opening the Southmont Borough Salt Storage Building Project bids. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

The bid results were as follows: Kretina Builders \$207,400.00; McCoy Construction \$235,100.00; Clark Contractors \$368,000.00; Swede Construction \$245,000.00; Blair Construction \$214,000.00; RT Contracting Inc. \$178,000.00; Mid-State Construction \$182,435.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to table the approval of a bid for the Southmont Borough Salt Storage Building until review by Solicitor Carbonara, Todd Banks and the Administrative Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the council meeting minutes of August 15, 2016 minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the special meeting minutes of August 29, 2016. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Visitors: Allen Higbee (108 Dell Street – new resident); Jacob McCoy (Bid Opening); Jay Patton (Bid Opening)

Visitor Recognition

Mr. Higbee introduced himself and stated he is interested in helping to improve Southmont Borough.

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Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose reported Officers provided traffic control and assisted the people who attended the Log Cabin Arts Festival at the Community Arts Center during the Labor Day Weekend and no serious problems were encountered.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager reported crews trained in a vacant house in Upper Yoder Township noting crews were instructed by Deputy Mike Butler.

Chief Weslager reported crews cleaned up multiple trees in the borough after a rain and wind storm.

Chief Weslager reported the fire company held their first golf outing at Berkeley Hills Gold Course.

Chief Weslager inquired about the water tank on Shady Lane. Mr. Pile stated the Greater Johnstown Water Authority will dismantle the tank and install a bigger water line hopefully by the end of 2016.

The Hilltop Ambulance Report was received and is on file.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Banks reported Kukurin Contracting will be starting the Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project on October 10th noting they will begin on State Street.

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Requisition 1 from PennVest for \$450,248.18 to reimburse the line of credit from First Commonwealth Bank for professional services. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Banks reported the Phase 2 Permits for the Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project were approved and a meeting will be held in mid-November to plan the next steps.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported four building permits approved for 556 Harshberger Road (curb cut), 102 King Street (roof on deck), 67 Gardner Street (roof – new material) and 102 Arlington Street (patio).

Mr. Wargo reported two certificates of compliance approved for 301 Southmont Blvd. (no sump pump) and 529 Bluff Street (no sump pump).

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Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported Kukurin Contracting has set up their staging area near the playground on Diamond Blvd.

Mr. Wargo reported the side of the borough building has been repainted because of weathering and the roof has been repaired after water damage was incurred after a heavy storm.

Mr. Wargo noted brush clean-up has begun and will continue from September 19, 2016 through September 21, 2016.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara absent.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve Ordinance No. 506, prohibiting the use of tobacco products on playgrounds and public property. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Resolution 2016-05, updating the fee schedule. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Nothing to report.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

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H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the Water Authority is working on their website and are reviewing capital improvements.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the ratification of payroll from August 18, 2016 through September 19, 2016 in the amount of \$16,098.50. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the payment of bills from August 17, 2016 through September 20, 2016 in the amount of \$58,483.24. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Roll call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the August 2016 treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the August 2016 tax collector's report in the amount of \$22,382.23. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the September 19, 2016 meeting at 4:37 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer