

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for March 16, 2015

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled March 16, 2015 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Attorney Michael Carbonara; Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Tres. Amanda Layton, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, William Kory, Kevin Pile Bob Morgan and Sheree Speicher; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Absent: Mayor Mark Yonko

Visitors: Tyler Zabrucky and Ben Germ (UPJ, observing); Ron Musselman (Tribune Democrat, observing)

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the council meeting minutes of February 16, 2015. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the special meeting minutes of February 26, 2015. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose reported Officer Watts recently completed his Motor Carrier Enforcement Truck Inspection Recertification.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager stated crews assisted Upper Yoder with a structure fire on Goucher Street and battled a structure fire on Shady Lane. Chief Weslager reported two members completed an exterior firefighting course.

Engineer's Report

Nothing to report.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported one sewage compliance certificate approved for 31 Harding Street. Mr. Wargo stated the next zoning review meeting will be March 17, 2015 to review definitions.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo stated crack sealing should begin the second week of April and the street department has the street sweeper out. Mr. Wargo reported Kline Kimlin has completed the annual audit for 2014 and everything looked good.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported he has filed 15 liens on behalf of the borough in regards to past due sewer maintenance and garbage accounts. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to

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approve signing loan documents regarding the \$2,000,000.00 loan through First Commonwealth Bank required by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role 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. Pile to approve the \$2,000,000.00 loan proposal received from First Commonwealth Bank. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0).

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve council and staff attendance to the Cambria County Borough's Association Annual Spring Dinner on April 21, 2015 in Ebensburg. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Mayor's Report

Mayor Yonko absent.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Mayor Yonko absent.

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

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile stated the annual report has been distributed. Mr. Pile reported the geese issue at North Fork Dam and Dalton Dam is ongoing noting the Water Authority has hired Larry Crespo to treat the eggs and flashing lights are to be installed at Dalton Dam.

I. Open Records: Mr. Kory stated he read an article regarding proposed changes to the Open Records Act regarding who can request information.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from February 19, 2015 through March 18, 2015 in the amount of \$16,476.43. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role 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 payment of bills from February 18, 2015 through March 17, 2015 in the amount of \$45,489.80. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. All in favor, motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve the February

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2015 treasurers report in the amount of \$539,019.63. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Kory to note the receipt of the February 2015 tax collectors report in the amount of \$0.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the March 16, 2015 meeting at 4:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer