

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for June 17, 2013

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled June 17, 2013 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Tres. Amanda Claycomb, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Richard Rodgers, Herb Ewald, Kevin Pile, and Robert Morgan; Solicitor Michael Carbonara, West Hills Police Chief Andrew Havas; Mayor Gregory Paolini

Absent: Council Members William Kory (out of town) and Thomas Strittmatter (out of town); Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Visitors: Michelle Trevorrow and Deb Winterscheidt (West Hills Community Team), Randy Griffith (Tribune Democrat)

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Council Meeting minutes of May 20, 2013. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Special Meeting minutes of May 31, 2013. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Police Chief's Report

Chief Havas stated the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company reported a vehicle that is occasionally parked on Leon Street impedes the ability to drive a fire truck through the area. Chief Havas stated there are no parking restrictions for Leon Street noting officers will watch for the vehicle and speak with the owner to inform them of the issue.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager absent. Nothing to report.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported the sanitary sewer rehabilitation project is expected to begin the week of June 24, 2013.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported two zoning permits issued to 508 Edward Street (deck) and 828 Diamond Blvd. (sign). Mr. Wargo reported four approved sewer compliance certificates to 413 Diamond Blvd., 133 Palliser Street, 92 Thoburn Street, 331 Diamond Blvd.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported a certified letter was sent to 509 State Street regarding garbage and debris on the porch noting the property owner has begun to have the porch cleared. Mr. Wargo reported the sidewalk inspections have begun noting 51 letters have been sent out so far regarding sidewalk repairs. Mr. Wargo stated Council Chambers has been painted and new vanities have been installed in the restrooms.

Solicitor's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve advertising Ordinance No. 495 which provides for animal control laws and prohibiting the harboring of an animal nuisance. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Resolution 2013-02 regarding public use of the municipal building. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). Council agreed to have Solicitor Carbonara draft a resolution to amend the zoning ordinance regarding signs in borough right-of-ways.

Secretary's Report

Ms. Claycomb reported the money market and sewer fund have been transferred from S&T Bank to Somerset Trust noting the general fund will remain open at S&T Bank until all checks have cleared. Ms. Claycomb reported an audit was received from the Cambria County Library Association.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Mayor Paolini stated the health premium has increased by one percent (1%).

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Mr. Strittmatter absent. Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Mr. Morgan reported ~~diseased trees are being removed and~~ the stumps ground out.

G. Recreation Committee: Mr. Ewald reported the Recreation Commission is obtaining quotes for an audit.

H. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Mr. Kory absent. Nothing to report.

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I. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the Ligonier inter-connection has been running with no issues so far.

J. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from May 21, 2013 through June 17, 2013 in the amount of \$11,595.30. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. Motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from May 22, 2013 through June 18, 2013 in the amount of \$48,332.50. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. Motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve the May 2013 treasurer's report in the amount of \$625,659.74. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. Motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to note the receipt of the May 2013 tax collector's report in the amount of \$6,372.67. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. Motion carried (5-0).

An Executive Session was called at 5:00 p.m. regarding legal items. Executive Session ended at 5:20 p.m. and Council resumed its regularly scheduled meeting.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the June 17, 2013 meeting at 5:20 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda D. Claycomb
Secretary/Treasurer