

REVISION II MINUTES  
BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT  
June 20, 2005 7:00 p.m.

The scheduled June Council meeting was called to order by President Pile at 7:00 p.m. After the pledge to the flag the June 20, 2005 meeting of Council convened.

**PRESENT:** President Pile, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Kory, Mr. Graham, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Krupa, Mayor: Gerry Sloat, Solicitor: Daniel R. Lovette, Fire Chief: Chet Borosky, Engineer: Dave Duray, West Hills Police: Detective George Musulin, Borough Manager: Loretta Spak, and Street Commissioner: Jan Bosley.

**ABSENT:** Mr. Danyluk and Zoning Officer: Dyke Orms

**VISITORS:** Mr. Craig & Joni Henry, 108 Leila Street, sewer line; Mr. Daniel P. Wallace, 105 Peden Lane, new resident questions; Kris Cramer, CPA Kline Kimlin, 2004 audit.

President Pile asked for approval of the May 16, 2005 Council Minutes and the Committee Minutes of May 24, 2005. A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to accept the Minutes as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Krupa. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

President Pile informed Council that Ms. Cramer will be late in attending the meeting; President Pile then asked Mr. or Mrs. Henry to address Council. Mrs. Henry's concern is the corrective action plan letter that was sent referencing the downspouts that are connected to the sanitary sewer. This repair was not conveyed to the Henry's during closing; former owner was aware of problem. The Henry's feel this is a Borough problem; Solicitor Lovette stated it is not a Borough problem and their attorney should contact attorney Denver E. Wharton who handles First Commonwealth Bank issues concerning this matter. Mrs. Henry will keep Ms. Spak updated on progress.

President Pile called on Mr. Wallace to address Council. Mr. Wallace is a new Southmont resident and has some general questions. Grass cutting requirements are not to exceed ten inches (10") and there is no burning in Southmont Borough with the exception of cook outs. Discussion ensued concerning a right of way which is known in the Borough as Weir Way. Solicitor Lovette stated Weir Way was never accepted or vacated and should not be blocked off if it is a right away.

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:**

West Hill Police report records revenue for April in the amount of \$566.54 and the May report in the amount of \$248.97. President Pile asked Detective George Musulin and Fire Chief Chet Borosky to check a fence Johnstown Brewing Company has put up, is there room for emergency vehicles to get through?

**ZONING OFFICERS REPORT**

Mr. Orms report was received. Report records activity as of 6/14/05; nine (9) permits and a total construction of \$44,982.

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT**

Chief Borosky's written report records nine (9) responses during the month of May. There was one (1) call between the hours of 10 PM to 7 AM. The 911 siren tone has been corrected. Fire Chief Borosky stated they are still working on the final profit/loss figures for the Jubilee, when all invoices are submitted and final figure is reached Council will be updated. A committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>; the fire company income will be discussed at that time. Fire Chief Borosky thanked the Borough and Mr. Bosley for all their cooperation. The Hilltop Ambulance report was received and is on file.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Duray's written Engineer's report for June was received and discussed. A flow metering report will be forwarded to Council after an area is completed, will need to wait for rain events. Mr. Strittmatter made a motion to accept the Quaker Sales change order for an \$8.25 increase to the 2005 paving. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent. Mr. Duray has met with Mr. Bosley on his recommendations for monitoring the sewer lines at night. Mr. Bosley will be monitoring during dry and during rain events when lines are not normally being used. Mr. Bosley will contact Mr. Duray when he will be addressing the water leakage problem on Olive for his recommendations.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**STREET COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

Received Mr. Bosley's written report. The fire company shed is ready for the painters; Mr. Bosley will contact Covenant Properties to start the painting. Mr. Rodgers made a motion to approve Mr. Bosley to get bids for line painting equipment. Seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent. Mr. Rodgers made a motion on Mr. Bosley's recommendation to approve the PennDot Agility Agreement. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent. If anyone knows of a house that is vacant in the Borough, please contact Ms. Spak so we can have Mr. Orms inspect the outside condition of the residence.

**STREET COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Danyluk absent. President Pile mentioned Westmont Borough is doing work on Mill Creek Road, work was not budgeted. If an invoice is received Ms. Spak will hold to discuss with Council.

**ADMNS. & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Mr. Krupa would like to have an executive session after meeting to discuss personnel issues.

**POLICE COMMITTEE**

Mayor Sloat has nothing new to report.



**RECYCLING COMMITTEE**

Recycling report was received and is on file. Mr. Kory is for the recycling program, it protects the environment for the future, and he feels it is his civic duty to support recycling. It is a shame the actions of a few will ruin for all. Mr. Graham made a motion to close the trailer for one and a half months (1 ½), see response of residents. Seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Graham made an amendment to his motion to place a sign stating, "Closed due to abuse of program. Please go to the Roxbury facility." Seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Five (5) years and one (1) day, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

**INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Rodgers has nothing new to report.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Mr. Strittmatter has nothing new to report.

**SHADE TREE REPORT**

Mr. Krupa mentioned Lichtenfels Nursery is one-third (1/3) completed on planting of trees. Ms. Spak will leave Mr. Krupa know who has paid for the trees. Mr. Krupa is still waiting to hear about the grant request that was submitted, will keep Council informed.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The minutes for the April meeting were received. Mr. Pile will not be able to attend the meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup>; Mr. Kory will be attending.

**BUILDING/GROUNDS REPORT**

Mr. Kory has nothing new to report.

**COG REPORT**

Nothing new to report.

**GRANDVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mr. Kory has nothing new to report.

**GREATER JOHNSTOWN WATER AUTHORITY**

The minutes from the June 9, 2005 meeting were received. The resume from John H. Follansbee will be tabled until July meeting when Mr. Danyluk is present.

**Lower State Street Committee**

The traffic counters were placed on State Street and on Southmont Blvd. June 10<sup>th</sup>. The counters will be pulled June 27<sup>th</sup>, readings downloaded and counters replaced for another two weeks. The readings/results will be placed on the agenda for the July 12<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. A quality assurance check will be noted on results, Mr. Bosley is keeping track of when tubes had to be readjusted. Ms. Spak will e-mail Tom Grey, P.C. Rizzo, traffic counter results.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Sloat has nothing new to report. Mayor Sloat did present to Ms. Spak two certificates of completion for attending introduction to disaster services and damage reporting and assessment.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Solicitor Lovette discussed a solicitation ordinance which will be placed on agenda for July 12<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. Horizon Foods has obtained a solicitation permit at the cost of \$100 (one hundred dollars) for 2005. Solicitor Lovette will be conducting more research concerning the Grandview Cemetery/parking lot agreement; this will also be placed on the agenda for July 12<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. Mr. Rodgers made a motion to approve Ordinance #457 to assess and collect user fees for the employment of public safety services for motor vehicle accidents, fires and emergency incidents. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent. Ms. Spak will contact Solicitor Lovette concerning a letter to Grandview Monument on Mercantile tax.

President Pile called on Kris Cramer, CPA Kline Kimlin, to discuss the 2004 audit. Mrs. Cramer discussed the audit and the GASB implementation; Southmont Borough uses the cash basis of accounting which is acceptable. Southmont Borough received a clean opinion audit. Mr. Strittmatter made a motion to accept the audited financial statements and supplementary information for 2004; noting everything is in order. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to accept the May manager's report. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to approve the May Treasurer Report in the amount of \$436,861.23. Seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to note the May tax collector's report was received. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Krupa made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$94,776.20 as presented. Seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. Roll Call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Graham, Mr. Kory, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Krupa and Mr. Pile all in favor, opposed none. Mr. Danyluk absent. Mr. Strittmatter made a motion to note that \$50,000 was paid out of Motor License Fund (Liquid Fuels) leaving balance of \$1,872.78 in account as of May 31, 2005. Seconded by Mr. Graham. Roll Call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Graham,

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Mr. Kory, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Krupa and Mr. Pile all in favor, opposed none. Mr. Danyluk absent. Ms. Spak will note amount paid from motor license fund (liquid fuels) on future treasure reports.

**OLD BUSINESS**

President Pile discussed the "Tickler List", nothing to remove or add at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Please review the information for the community map and information guide, let Ms. Spak know your ideas by June 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Strittmatter is to check the street light at 483 Edwards Street.

At 9:00 p.m. an Executive Session was called. Council discussed Personnel issues.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Krupa for adjournment of the June 20, 2005 meeting at 9:25 P.M. Seconded by Mr. Graham. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Danyluk absent.

Respectfully submitted,

***Loretta Spak***, Borough Manager

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