

**BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT**  
**148 Wonder Street**  
**Johnstown, PA 15905**

**Minutes for July 16, 2012**

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The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled July 16, 2012 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Attorney Michael Carbonara, Manager Richard Wargo, Sec./Tres. Amanda Claycomb, President Ed Danyluk, Council Members; Richard Rodgers, Herb Ewald, Thomas Strittmatter and Robert Morgan, Mayor Gregory Paolini, Police Chief Andrew Havas

**Absent:** Council Members William Kory (out of town), and Kevin Pile (out of town); Fire Chief Mike Leckey

**Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the June 18, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve ratification of payroll from June 19, 2012 through July 16, 2012 in the amount of \$14,251.79. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve payment of bills from June 20, 2012 through July 17, 2012 in the amount of \$44,275.43. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve the June 2012 treasurer's report in the amount of \$659,119.63. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to note the receipt of the June 2012 tax collector's report in the amount of \$17,441.32. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

**Police Chief's Report**

Chief Havas reported Officer West handed out bike safety literature and talked to children about bike safety at the Westmont Presbyterian Church's Farmers Market on June 16 noting bike helmets were also available to anyone in need.

**Fire Company's Report**

Chief Leckey absent. The Hilltop Ambulance Report was received and is on file.

**Engineer's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported State Pipe Service has begun the sanitary sewer rehabilitation project. Mr. Wargo reported a revised cost proposal was received from The EADS Group authorized them to prepare the MS4 renewal application. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the cost proposal received from The EADS Group in the amount of

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\$4,100.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

### **Zoning Officer's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported one zoning permit issued to 131 Violet Street for a chain link fence and one refused sign permit for 942 Pine Grove Lane noting it did not comply with Borough Ordinance 359. Mr. Wargo reported four approved sewer compliance certificates to 15 Harding Street, 334 Gardner Street, 111/113 Wonder Street and 480 Southmont Blvd. Mr. Wargo reported a citation has been filed with the District Magistrate regarding a damaged chimney at 13 Cox Street. Mr. Wargo reported he reviewed 52 high grass letters sent out and only 8 required a second notice. Mr. Wargo reported 102 sidewalk letters have been sent out noting 7 repairs have been completed and 57 have responded with a timeline of when repairs will be made.

### **Mayor's Report**

Nothing to report.

### **Manager's Report**

Mr. Wargo reported he reviewed paving Potato Alley, Carrot Alley, Beet Alley, Kale Alley and a portion of Court Alley with Mike Bowser of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve advertising for the paving of Potato Alley, Carrot Alley, Beet Alley, Kale Alley and a portion of Court Alley with bids to be opened August 2, 2012. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kory and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). Mr. Wargo reported the West Hills Recreation soap box derby has been postponed until spring. Mr. Wargo reported the summer youth program will be back for one more week to paint and cut brush.

### **Solicitor's Report**

Nothing to report.

### **Secretary's Report**

Ms. Claycomb reported Kris Cramer of Kline Kimlin stated line item "395:00 Refund of Previous Year Expenditures" needed to be created for the money received from Wessel & Company. Ms. Claycomb reported the garbage and sewer maintenance bills have been mailed out and approximately one-third of the payments have been received so far.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Ewald stated he would like to have Langhorne Avenue researched as a possible one-way street from Harding Street to Southmont Blvd. Chief Havas will look into it.

## **1) COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Streets:** Nothing to report.

**B. Administration:** Nothing to report.

**C. Personnel:** Mr. Pile absent.



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**D. Police Committee:** Mr. Morgan reported a meeting was planned for members to discuss fee payment methods. Mr. Morgan stated a resolution was passed to omit the \$25.00 fee and test for police applicants. Mr. Morgan reported part-time wages were raised by \$1.00 per hour to help retain officers and the committee approved purchasing a new car using a CD for payment.

**E. Fire Company Committee:** Nothing to report.

**F. Budget & Tax Collection Committee:** Nothing to report.

**G. Shade Tree Committee:** Nothing to report.

**H. Recreation Committee:** Mr. Kory absent.

**I. Buildings & Grounds Committee:** Mr. Pile absent.

**J. Greater Johnstown Water Authority:** Mr. Pile sent a report stating the Water Authority real estate committee is meeting on July 31, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss and resolve three complaints regarding the water construction project. The inter-connection between Ligonier and Johnstown is approximately 70% complete and work between Johnstown and the water tank should be ready for water testing approximately August 15, 2012.

**K. Open Records:** Mr. Kory absent. No open records requests received.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Rodgers for adjournment of the July 16, 2012 meeting at 7:38 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Kory, and Mr. Pile absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,

*Amanda D. Claycomb*

Secretary/Treasurer