

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for April 19, 2010

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled April 19, 2010 Council meeting was called to order by President Rodgers at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Attorney Dan Lovette, Manager Richard Wargo, Sec. /Tres. Judith A. Czymnik, Clerk-Amanda Claycomb, President Richard Rodgers, Council Members; Mr. Ed Danyluk, Mr. Herb Ewald, Mr. William Kory, Mr. Kevin Pile, Mr. Tom Strittmatter and Mr. Robert Morgan, Mayor Gregory Paolini, West Hills Police Sgt. George Musulin, Fire Chief Mike Leckey

Absent: West Hills Police Chief Andy Havas

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Kory to open the 2010 Street Paving, 2010 Grass Cutting and 2010 Shade Tree Bids. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried. The bid results were as follows: 2010 Street Paving – Quaker Sales, \$53,278.25; HRI, Inc., \$56,621.95. 2010 Grass Cutting – A100 Property Maintenance, \$462.00 per cut; Damico Landscaping – incomplete bid. 2010 Shade Tree – Lichtenfels Nursery, 2” trees \$3,486.00, 2 1/2” trees \$4,370.00, 3” trees \$5,586.00. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve the Quaker Sales bid of \$53,278.25 for 2010 Street Paving pending reviews and approval by Solicitor Lovette and Engineer Scott Rugh. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the A-100 Property Maintenance bid of \$462.00 per cut for 2010 Grass Cutting pending review and approval by Solicitor Lovette. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Lichtenfels Nursery bid for 3 inch caliber trees totaling \$5,586.00 pending review and approval by Solicitor Lovette. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the March 15, 2010 Council Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Special Bid Opening Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes of April 13, 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Strittmatter to approve ratification of payroll for March 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the bills for March 17, 2010 through April 20,

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2010 in the amount of \$91,794.82. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Danyluk, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the March 2010 Treasurers Report. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to note the receipt of the March 2010 Tax Collectors Report in the amount of \$62,153.28. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Havas absent. Sgt. Musulin had nothing to report.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Leckey reported storm damage done during heavy winds. Chief Leckey stated the Fire Company has been denied for both federal grants but is moving along with plans to refurbish the fire engine. Chief Leckey requested use of the dump trucks for the Jubilee. A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve allowing the Fire Company to use the dump trucks and police assistance for the Jubilee. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. All in favor, motion carried. The Hilltop Ambulance Report was received and is on file.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Rugh submitted recommendations to the Fire Company for repairing a crack in the wall of the garage. Mr. Rugh reported State Pipe Services, Inc. was awarded the State Street sanitary sewer bid and Robinson Pipe Cleaning was awarded the sanitary sewer cleaning and televising bid at the Special Bid Opening Meeting on April 12, 2010.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported five zoning permits issued and three approved sewer compliance certificates. Mr. Wargo noted several property maintenance issues that are being monitored.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported audit reports requests have been submitted to the various agencies the Borough contributes money noting most reports have been received. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve changing the PLGIT Account to First Commonwealth with an interest rate of 1.55%. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve making a Resolution required for the reimbursement of emergency funds from February storms. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried. Mr. Wargo stated lighting for the Borough building may be purchased from The Hite Company and a rebate is available for the lighting through First Energy. Mr. Wargo stated the original cost of the lighting is \$5,664.00 and the rebate is \$3,046.00 noting the total cost for the Borough would be \$2,618.00. Mr.

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Wargo stated the new fixtures would allow a savings of \$1,718.00 per year in electricity. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve purchasing lighting from The Hite Company. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

Solicitor's Report

An Executive Session was called at 7:40 p.m. regarding legal matters. Council resumed its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:55 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the cost rates submitted by Wessel & Co. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the County Aid Request in the amount of \$5,600.00 for 2010 Street Paving. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Kline Kimlin 2009 Audit of Borough and Tax Collector funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Strittmatter. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Danyluk to approve Resolution 2010-01 which provides for the disposition of past records. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to allow Mr. Ewald, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Wargo to attend the Cambria County Borough Association Annual Spring Dinner Meeting on April 22, 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. All in favor, motion carried.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Mr. Ewald reported crack sealing has been started and dye testing will resume shortly.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Mayor Paolini stated the pension investment was discussed at the meeting regarding what should be done with it.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Mr. Pile discussed various line items and the budget status for the first quarter.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Mr. Morgan reported the Shade Tree Ordinance will be revised. Mr. Morgan stated a regular monthly meeting for the Shade Tree Advisory Board has been set for the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Morgan noted Arbor Day is scheduled for May 1, 2010. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve Mary Ann Kory, Judy Kelly and Jennifer Drummey to a three year term retroactive January 1, 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried.

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G. Recreation Committee: Mr. Kory reported health care for Ms. Robin Gates was discussed at the previous meeting and a new tenant has moved into the apartment at the Ridge.

H. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Mr. Kory stated he will inspect the Borough with Mr. Wargo in July.

I. COG Report: Nothing to report.

J. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the cash situation has improved and the Water Authority is negotiating with Amfire Mining regarding mining at the Carstensen Dam.

K. Open Records: Ms. Czynnik reported one open records request noting a resident requested a list of the positive dye test results for properties within the Borough.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Kory for adjournment of the April 19, 2010 meeting at 8:25 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Danyluk. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Claycomb
Borough Clerk