

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for January 21, 2013

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled January 21, 2013 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: Council Member Thomas Strittmatter

Visitors: Mike Butler (Southmont Volunteer Fire Company)

Visitor Recognition

Mr. Butler addressed rumors regarding Southmont Volunteer Fire Company going under since the consolidation did not go through. Mr. Butler stated the rumor is not true noting the department has members and is still responding to emergency calls as usual. Mr. Butler stated Mr. Danyluk requested a list of active members stating the list was provided at the beginning of January and of the 22 members, 17 are qualified to fight fires.

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2012. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of December 20, 2012. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve ratification of payroll from December 13, 2012 through January 23, 2013 in the amount of \$20,708.28. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Strittmatter absent. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve the bills from December 11, 2012 through January 22, 2013 in the amount of \$68,078.65. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. . Strittmatter absent. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 2012 treasurer's report in the amount of \$405,499.31. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the December 2012 tax collector's report in the amount of \$5,517.07. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Police Chief's Report

The police report noted the West Hills Regional Police Officers recovered two stolen vehicles in Lower Yoder Township that were stolen from Lower Yoder Township.

Fire Company's Report

The Fire Chief's report noted two members attended and completed eight sessions of a Delmar Part II (Fireground support) on various dates throughout December 2012.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported EADS has started preparing the construction drawings and specifications for the 2013 sanitary sewer rehabilitation work. EADS has prepared and submitted the semi-annual Corrective Action Plan Report and Schedule to the Department of Environmental Protection. EADS has also prepared and submitted a 2012 Annual Wasteload Management Report to the Johnstown Redevelopment Authority. Mr. Wargo reported a meeting needs to be set up with EADS to discuss a remedy to excessive flow through the Southmont Boulevard flow meter.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported one approved sanitary sewer compliance for 318 Leila Street. Mr. Wargo stated a snow plow damaged a fence on Christine Court. Mr. Wargo reported the permit for the fence was approved by former Zoning Officer Ryan Adams noting the fence does not meet the fence requirements as it is a solid fence and is too close to the alley. Mr. Wargo stated the Borough insurance company (H.A. Thomson) will handle the issue in spring, but an agreement must be signed stating if the new fence does not meet requirements the Borough will not be held liable for any future damage.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported four additional surveillance cameras have been ordered to be installed inside the Borough building. A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to allow Mr. Wargo to shop for six month rates for the \$154,992.01 CD. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve painting Council chambers. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Mr. Strittmatter absent. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory and Mr. Morgan in favor. Mr. Pile and Mr. Danyluk opposed. Motion carried (4-2). Mr. Wargo reported a proposed change in voting precincts noting precinct one and precinct three will now be combined in Council chambers.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported Berkheimer Tax Associates has sent copies of signed agreements for 511 tax collection. Solicitor Carbonara has drafted an ordinance regarding notification of residents moving into and from the Borough of Southmont to be reviewed and approved at the February 2013 meeting.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approved Resolution 2013-01, updating the Emergency Operation Plan signatures. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve advertising Ordinance No. 493 modifying the language of the Flood Plain Ordinance.

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Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Strittmatter absent. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (6-0).

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: Nothing to report.

D. Police Committee: Nothing to report.

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. Wargo stated the Recreation Commission has requested the use of Council chambers to hold a meeting in April which Mr. Wargo has permitted.

I. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

J. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Nothing to report.

K. Open Records: An open records request was received from David Meinhart of Duncansville, PA for Ordinance No. 491 regarding signs.

An Executive Session was called at 7:50 p.m. Executive Session ended at 7:57 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 January 21, 2013 meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Strittmatter absent. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda D. Claycomb

Secretary/Treasurer