

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for June 15, 2015

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled June 15, 2015 council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Attorney Michael Carbonara; Borough Manager Richard Wargo; Sec./Tres. Amanda Layton, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher and Robert Morgan; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager; Engineer Todd Banks

Absent: Council Member William Kory (out of town) and Herb Ewald; Mayor Mark Yonko

Visitors: Susan Lee, Dalton Wood, Art Austin and Michael Bellvia (Garbage Bid Opening)

Bid Opening

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to open the 2015 garbage bids. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0). The 2016 garbage bids were as follows: Waste Management 1 year \$152,853.12, 2 year \$318,044.16, 3 year \$496,258.56; Advanced Disposal Services Somerset, Inc. 1 year \$125,092.80, 2 year \$251,442.24, 3 year \$379,048.32; Burgmeier's Hauling, Inc. 1 year \$113,668.80, 2 year \$229,051.20, 3 year \$345,004.80; Pro Disposal 1 year \$102,701.74, 2 year \$205,403.48, 3 year \$308,105.22; Lee's Disposal Service 1 year \$114,240.00, 2 year \$231,907.20, 3 year \$353,001.60. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the bid from Pro Disposal for 3 years of garbage service for \$308,105.22 upon review by Solicitor Carbonara. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the council meeting minutes of May 18, 2015. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose reported the West Hills Regional Police Officers participated in the funeral details and processions for both PA State Police Trooper Patrick Stewart and Ligonier Twp. Lieutenant Eric Eslary.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager expressed interest in putting a temporary storage shed at the soccer field along State Street to use for storage and during the annual Jubilee stating he will discuss it with the

school district to obtain their permission first. The Hilltop Ambulance Report was received and is on file.

Engineer’s Report

Mr. Banks updated Council noting the Phase 1 preliminary designs are completed, permits are to be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection in July and the abatement plans needs to be submitted by July 30th. Council discussed the pros and cons of including laterals in the abatement plan. A motion was made by Mrs. Speicher to approve inclusion of laterals in the Southmont Borough abatement plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

Zoning Officer’s Report

Mr. Wargo reported three zoning permits issued to 141 Arlington Street (retaining wall), 345 Orchard Street (porch enclosure) and 115 Arlington Street (addition) noting one permit was denied for 1067 Menoher Blvd. (office renovations). Mr. Wargo reported seven approved sewage compliance certificates for 133 Palliser Street, 129 Helen Street, 137 Arlington Street, 804 Goucher Street, 227 Mabel Street, 1042 Luzerne Street and 1067 Menoher Blvd. Mr. Wargo noted a zoning appeal hearing will be held June 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the denied application for renovations at 1067 Menoher Blvd.

Manager’s Report

Mr. Wargo stated repairs to the salt storage bin have been completed. Mr. Wargo reported paving proposals for Court Alley will be opened at the July 20, 2015 monthly meeting.

Solicitor’s Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported a hearing will be held August 5, 2015 regarding the Lamar Advertising appeal.

Secretary’s Report

Mrs. Layton reported a review of the liquid fuels fund is scheduled for June 16th.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Yonko absent.

New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Ordinance No. 500, approving the revised contract for the borough’s municipal employees pension plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Mr. Ewald absent.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: A motion was made by Mr. Pile to hire Patrick Dailey as a part-time laborer at \$7.25 per hour. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (5-0).

D. Police Committee: Mayor Yonko absent.

E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Mr. Morgan stated a few trees will need to be taken care of because they are safety hazards.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Mr. Kory absent.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the repairs to Central Avenue have begun.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from May 19, 2015 through June 15, 2015 in the amount of \$15,153.93. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from May 20, 2015 through June 16, 2015 in the amount of \$69,899.84. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (5-0). A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the May 2015 treasurers report in the amount of \$671,787.86. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Ewald and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Ewald for adjournment of the May 18, 2015 meeting at 4:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Mr. Danyluk and Mr. Kory absent. All in favor, motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer