

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for April 21, 2014

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled April 21, 2014 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 Claycomb, Council President Ed Danyluk; Council Members; Gregory Paolini, Herb Ewald, William Kory, Kevin Pile, Sheree Speicher, and Robert Morgan; Det. Sgt. George Musulin; Mayor Mark Yonko; Fire Chief Joel Weslager

Visitors: Randy Griffith, Tribune Democrat

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the March 17, 2014 Council Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried

Police Chief's Report

Det. Sgt. Musulin and Officer West attended the Conference on Crimes Against Women that was presented by the Dallas Police Department in Dallas, Texas from March 31 through April 2. There was absolutely no cost to the Police Department for their attendance at this Conference.

Fire Company's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve use of borough trucks, installation of signs throughout the borough and payment of one-half (1/2) of police protection for the 2014 Southmont Volunteer Fire Dept. Jubilee. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. The Hilltop Ambulance report was received and is on file.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported Stiffler McGraw received rain fall date from the flow meters throughout the borough and will move three flow meters to isolate questionable areas that impact inflow and infiltration.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported one zoning permit issued to 201 Leila Street for a retaining wall. Mr. Wargo reported six approved sewer compliance certificates for 719 Diamond Blvd., 165 State Street, 147 Arlington Street, 103 Edward Street, 103 Floyd Street and 494 Edward Street.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported spring clean-up will be May 13th and May 14th noting Pro Disposal will place a dumpster in the rear parking area of the municipal building for residents to dispose of television sets.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported Westmont Hilltop Recreation Commission has filed legal action against Southmont Borough and the Westmont Hilltop School District. An Executive Session was called at 4:17 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. Executive Session ended at 4:56 p.m. and Council resumed its regularly scheduled meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve a press release addressing recent issues with the Westmont Hilltop Recreation Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to authorize Solicitor Carbonara to take any and all appropriate actions regarding the lawsuit filed by Westmont Hilltop Recreation Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report

Ms. Claycomb reported the website is back online and first quarter taxes have been completed and mailed out. Ms. Claycomb also reported on past due garbage and sewer maintenance accounts noting the amount of unpaid balances is normal and should decrease significantly after the next round of past due notices is sent out.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve 2014 paving on Carrot Alley, Thoburn Street (State Street to Wonder Street), Southmont Blvd., Celery Alley and Mushroom Alley in the amount of \$74,440.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried.

1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Streets: Nothing to report.

B. Administration: Nothing to report.

C. Personnel: A motion was made by Mr. Pile to hire Matt Smith as a full time street supervisor at \$11.25 per hour with a 6 month probation period. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried.

D. Police Committee: Nothing to report.

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

F. Shade Tree Committee: Mr. Morgan reported trees will be planted in the areas they were removed last year. Mr. Morgan noted Arbor Day activities will be held May 3, 2014

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at 10:00 a.m. at Diamond Blvd. Playground noting two trees will be planted in honor of former council members Richard Rodgers and Tom Strittmatter.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the Water Authority is going out for bids on numerous items and things will be moving along shortly.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from March 20, 2014 through April 21, 2014 in the amount of \$14,126.42. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from March 19, 2014 through April 22, 2014 in the amount of \$56,142.57. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mrs. Speicher, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the March 2014 treasurers report. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the March 2014 tax collectors report. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the April 21, 2014 meeting at 5:20 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Claycomb
Secretary/Treasurer