

BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT
148 Wonder Street
Johnstown, PA 15905

Minutes for January 19, 2015

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled January 19, 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, William Kory, Kevin Pile Bob Morgan and Sheree Speicher; Police Chief Michael Lose; Fire Chief Joel Weslager; Mayor Mark Yonko

Visitors: Randy Griffith (Tribune Democrat), Amy Rocco (207 Violet Street, Property Maintenance)

Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2014. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2015. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

Visitors

Mrs. Rocco stated she was concerned with the property located at 211 Violet Street as it is poorly maintained and recently flooded due to burst pipes. Mr. Wargo stated he has been in contact with the property owner and has given him two weeks to make arrangements to stabilize the property and if nothing is done he will be forced to condemn it and go from there. Mr. Wargo stated he would keep Mrs. Rocco updated on the progress.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Lose stated the monthly reports now contain more details as requested by Council. It was noted that the December 2014 report was not received by the Borough Office and Chief Lose stated he would have one faxed over in the morning.

Fire Company's Report

Chief Weslager reported the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company was awarded a grant to replace all hoses on the fire engine. The October 2014 and November 2014 Hilltop Ambulance Reports were received and are on file.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported the line crews from Stiffler McGraw are out pulling manholes and taking elevations.

Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported three approved sewer compliance certificates for 460 Southmont Blvd., 120 Wonder Street and 106 Leila Street. Mr. Wargo stated the Cambria County

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Planning Commission has requested Southmont Borough's participation in a regional comprehensive plan update.

Manager's Report

Mr. Wargo reported Ford has discontinued using yellow paint only for 2015 vehicles, but Suppes Ford has stated they can get a 2016 dump truck in yellow by June 2015 for a very minimal price difference.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Carbonara reported Lamar Advertising, LLC has filed an appeal to the Court of Common Pleas stating the hearing was set for early January 2015, but had to be rescheduled due to Lamar Advertising's attorney being out of town and the hearing has not been rescheduled yet. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve the Legal Services Agreement presented by Solicitor Michael Carbonara regarding legal services during the 2015 DEP Sanitary Sewer Projects. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Speicher and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Kory to approve Resolution 2015-02, appointing Rich Wargo as Deputy Tax Collector to Jill Magistro. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary's Report

Mrs. Layton reported American Rock Salt has begun a new procedure where customers now have 30 days to pay an invoice and if not paid, a freeze is put on the account until payment is received. A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve paying American Rock Salt invoices as they arrive to avoid delays in salt orders. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Speicher and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve Resolution 2013-03 (Disposition of Records). Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

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. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.

F. Shade Tree Committee: Nothing to report.

G. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.

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H. Greater Johnstown Water Authority: Mr. Pile reported the Election of Officials was January 15, 2015 and all officers have been retained. Mr. Pile reported Salt Lick Dam is having issues with dirt bike riders.

I. Open Records: Nothing to report.

Business Items

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from December 11, 2014 through January 21, 2015 in the amount of \$17,274.35. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Speicher and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve payment of bills from December 10, 2014 through January 20, 2015 in the amount of \$49,239.28. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. Role call: Mr. Paolini, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Speicher and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the December 2014 treasurer's report in the amount of \$493,315.63. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to note the receipt of the November 2014 tax collectors report in the amount of \$518.94 and the December 2014 tax collectors report in the amount of \$5,165.10. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Morgan for adjournment of the January 19, 2015 meeting at 4:30 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Paolini. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda D. Layton
Secretary/Treasurer