# BOROUGH OF SOUTHMONT 148 Wonder Street Johnstown, PA 15905

# Minutes for April 15, 2013

The pledge of allegiance was conducted and the scheduled April 15, 2013 Council meeting was called to order by President Danyluk at 7:00 p.m.

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

#### **Bid Opening**

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve opening the 2013 sanitary sewer rehabilitation bids. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried. The bids were as follows: State Pipe Services, Inc. \$138,072.00 and Terra Works, Inc. \$149,499.00. A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to accept the bid received from State Pipe Services, Inc. in the amount of \$138,072.00. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor.

## Police Chief's Report

Chief Havas reported he and Det. Sgt. Musulin recently attended a meeting in Ebensburg regarding the Central Booking of prisoners noting Officers were advised that Central Booking will begin in June 2013, and all persons arrested by police departments in Cambria County for felonies or misdemeanors must be processed at the Cambria County Prison.

# Fire Company's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to give the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company permission to use Borough vehicles for the 2013 Jubilee. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to give the Southmont Volunteer Fire Company permission to put up signs around the Borough announcing the 2013 Jubilee. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to pay for one-half of the police protection for the 2013 Jubilee. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried. Chief Weslager reported Corporate Security has been hired to provide security for the 2013 Jubilee during off hours overnight. Chief Weslager stated an audit is scheduled to be completed in May.

# **Engineer's Report**

Nothing to report.

# Zoning Officer's Report

Mr. Wargo reported two zoning permits issued to 909 Menoher Blvd. (sign) and 155 Helen Street (driveway material change). Mr. Wargo stated four sewer compliance

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certificates were approved for 207 Diamond Blvd., 945 Menoher Blvd., 101 Diamond Blvd., and 304 State Street. Mr. Wargo reported a citation was filed with the District Magistrate regarding 509 State Street noting that condemnation is a possibility.

## Mayor's Report

Nothing to report.

#### Manager's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve advertising the 2013 street paving. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried. Mr. Wargo stated crack sealing has begun and the street sweeper has been out on an initial skid clean up.

#### Solicitor's Report

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve Ordinance No. 494 which requires landlords/owners to register rental properties and their tenants. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

## Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

#### **New Business**

Mr. Wargo stated requests for a copy of a yearly audit were sent out to Southmont Volunteer Fire Company, Westmont Recreation, Cambria County Library System and the Community Arts Council. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to send donations to Southmont Volunteer Fire Company, Westmont Recreation, Cambria County Library System and the Community Arts Council only after an independent audit is received. Motion seconded by Mr. Pile. All in favor, motion carried.

# 1) COMMITTEE REPORTS

**A. Streets:** Nothing to report.

- **B. Administration:** Mr. Rodgers reported an Administrative Committee meeting was held April 10, 2013 noting they discussed the Union Contract being up at the end of 2013, implementing a daily public works activity log and a monthly vacation and sick day log, and including more details on the monthly bill sheet.
- **C. Personnel:** A motion was made by Mr. Pile to approve hiring Scott Buck as a part time public works employee at \$7.25 per hour. Motion seconded by Mr. Ewald. All in favor, motion carried.
- **D. Police Committee:** Mayor Paolini reported the audit has been completed and the pensions have been approved.

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- E. Budget & Tax Collection Committee: Nothing to report.
- **F. Shade Tree Committee:** Mr. Morgan reported Arbor Day activities will be held on May 11, 2013 noting the time and place will be announced at a later date. Mr. Morgan stated a tree will be planted honoring the late William Carstensen.
- **G. Recreation Committee:** Mr. Ewald reported two batting cages have been installed at The Grove.
- H. Buildings & Grounds Committee: Nothing to report.
- **I. Greater Johnstown Water Authority:** Mr. Pile reminded Council of a dinner at Surf n Turf on May 9, 2013.
- J. Open Records: Nothing to report.

#### **Business Items**

A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve the March 18, 2013 Council Meeting Minutes with minor changes. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve ratification of payroll from March 21, 2013 through April 17, 2013 in the amount of \$13,113.78. Motion seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Ewald to approve payment of the bills from March 22, 2013 through April 16, 2013 in the amount of \$63,308.88. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. Role call: Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Ewald, Mr. Kory, Mr. Pile, Mr. Strittmatter, Mr. Morgan and Mr. Danyluk in favor. Motion carried (7-0). A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to approve the March 2013 treasurers report in the amount of \$448,453.60. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried. A motion was made by Mr. Rodgers to note the receipt of the March 2013 tax collectors report in the amount of \$59,133.92. Motion seconded by Mr. Morgan. All in favor, motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Rodgers for adjournment of the April 15, 2013 meeting at 8:10 P.M. Motion seconded by Mr. Kory. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, *Amanda D. Claycomb* Secretary/Treasurer