

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
February 2, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young

Marian Russell

Maxine Smith

Larry Barnes

Brad Hackett

Mansel O'Dell

Gordon Chilson – absent

Mayor:

Diana Barnes – absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Martha Baker

Visitors:

Bev & Bill Shoup

Jerry W. Jones

Howard Six

Police Chief Corey Mosher

Marty Burrows

Walt Beach

Cindy Burrows

Bill Dincher

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Marian Russell made a Motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 2015, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted aye.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – No comments.

COMMUNICATIONS – Council Members received an invitation to the next Tioga County Association of Boroughs dinner meeting in Tioga on February 19.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Maxine Smith made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted aye.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 9,532.87, seconded by Brad Hackett. All members present voted aye.

MAYOR'S REPORT – No report.

POLICE REPORT – Police Chief Mosher read the monthly report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library – none

- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Bill Dincher reported that he has received no complaints nor has he issued any zoning permits in the past month. He received a letter from the District Attorney's Office regarding the appeal of the case of parking in the front yard: the conviction was upheld.**

Bill Dincher sent a letter to the Borough Council regarding the Glover lot on Mechanic Street. According to him, the lot cannot be built upon due to the lack of setback space. The property owner or the Borough Council could amend the ordinance (called a curative amendment) in order to permit the lot to be developed. It was decided to wait to see how far a potential owner would want to go to develop the property before taking any action regarding the ordinance.

- C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes – There is DEP 100% grant money available this year for the video inspection of the levee culverts. The inspection is not due until 2018; however, if we did it this year with grant money, the next inspection would not be due for six years. Maxine Smith made a Motion to apply for the DEP grant fund for the dike video inspections at a cost of \$3400.00; Brad Hackett seconded. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting aye.**

Maxine Smith stated she had spoken with Jody Fisher regarding street cleaning; the company the Borough employed for the last two years did not use water while sweeping, creating a large dust cloud. Jody suggested we could rent a broom and a skid steer from Wilson Rental or Monroe Tractor and do it ourselves; the cost of a week's rental is \$923.09, plus \$150 delivery and \$100 refundable deposit. Much discussion followed; no decision was reached.

- D. Personnel and Appointment – Council went into Executive Session at 7:35p.m. to discuss personnel issues; the meeting resumed at 7:45p.m. It was announced that Judy Anne Woythal has tendered her resignation as Borough Secretary/Treasurer, effective April 1, and that Martha Baker would be her successor; she began training today.**

Also, Bob Kenyon of the Water Authority Board is due for reappointment: Marian Russell made a Motion that Bob Kenyon be reappointed for a term of 5 years; Mansel O'Dell seconded. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting aye.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

The Current Lawrenceville Borough Flood Plain Ordinance is not up to standard for the Commonwealth of PA and FEMA; it needs to be re-written by July. There is a large meeting in Wellsboro regarding flood plain ordinances with FEMA from Washington DC, the Commissioners, Business managers, and others. Jim Weaver is helping us to hold a public meeting with FEMA representatives, to answer questions we might have. This meeting will be in the May-June timeframe.

Attorney Chris Lantz is drawing up the paperwork for the loan to the Authority.

Krieger Grant applications due February 14, 2015 –

Judy Anne Woythal contacted Joe Penner for a quote for the stone to be used in the driveway of the ball field; he will get back to her this week. Kayla Peterson would like to apply for Story Hour and some new shelving for the library.

Marian Russell left the meeting at 7:50p.m.

Maxine Smith made a Motion to add shelving for the library to the grant request for the Krieger Foundation. The total project cost for Story Hour and shelving is \$1000, \$500 from the Borough and \$500 from the Krieger Foundation. Brad Hackett seconded; all members present voted aye. That application will be in addition to one for the stone for the Ball Field and the equipment for the basketball court.

Marian Russell returned to the meeting at 7:53p.m.

POLICE CAR FINAL PAYMENT of \$4,843.52 from General Account to Savings Account: Mansel O'Dell made a Motion that the Borough pay the final payment for the Lawrenceville Police car; Maxine Smith seconded. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting aye.

NEW BUSINESS:

Maxine presented “Young Lungs at Play” which was introduced at the Tioga County Association of Boroughs meeting in January in Mansfield. This program provides non-confrontational “no smoking” signs in parks and other public areas. The signs are at no cost to the Borough, and we can get as many as we need. Maxine suggested that signs could be posted at both parks, the ball field, the Senior Housing Center, the Calvary Day Care Center, and perhaps R.B. Walter and Williamson HS. This program also provides a sample policy, sample ordinance, and sample resolution if we choose to use any of them. Lawrenceville already does have an ordinance prohibiting alcohol in the parks, so we would just have to modify it. Maxine Smith moved that Lawrenceville Borough submit a request to “Young Lungs at Play” for signs; Brad Hackett seconded. All members present voted aye.

Brad Hackett distributed a report from the Fire Department; this will be done monthly.

Brad Hackett made a Motion to adjourn; Larry Barnes seconded; all members present voted aye. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Minutes recorded by Judy Woythal; reported by Martha Baker.