

**LAWRENCEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 06, 2002**

CALL TO ORDER

President Marian Russell called the regular meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Mildred Bliss
Melvin Davis
William Dincher
Al Losey
Edward Lockhart
Eugene Pondo, III
Marian Russell

Mayor:

Bryce Taft

Chief of Police:

Walter Beach

Secretary:

Darcy Wood

Visitors:

Lloyd Bieri
Rose Delia
Alex Delia
Fern Deming
Brad Robinson
D.J. Blend

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 01, 2002 meeting were approved as presented.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Rose Delia gave a presentation on outside lighting and she asked for help from council for setting and requiring standards on this matter. Al Losey mentioned this is a good time to bring up the lighting problem as council is reviewing the zoning ordinances and will probably address this. Material was given to secretary to make copies for council to read.

Lloyd Bieri, 10 Cross Street, requested an extension of time to get his property in order. Council wants him to come back in six months and they will review the progress.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were reviewed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gene Pondo made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Al Losey. All in favor, no one was opposed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Additional bills to be approved: Preston's \$10.00, Hall's 2.73 Napa 4.78, Reliable 33.36, Tioga Publishing 141.60, Harry Kittle 2,000 (May & June payment) postage 15.00 total general \$6,181.70. Liquid fuels additions \$2,388.00 Zeiser Wilbert total \$2,425.14 Al Losey made a motion to approve bills with the additions and seconded by Bill Dincher. All in favor, no one was opposed.

Brad Robinson said he got a clean bill of health from DEP for the property at 55 Main Street. He was thankful for the assistance and help he got from the borough and the bill will be paid by June 06, 2002.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Taft read the police report.

Al Losey made a motion to increase Brad Wilson's hours back to ten, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All in favor, no one was opposed.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

A. Library

Mildred Bliss mentioned that the contractor is finished with the work and everything looks good.

B. Building Enforcement/ Zoning Officer

AL Losey spoke with the Mansfield code enforcer and it appears that Mansfield might possibly act as the contractor and sub-contract out to the other boroughs. Shawn Forrest is the current code enforcer for Mansfield and he is willing to sub-contract for Lawrenceville.

C Public Works

Al Losey opened the bids and read the amounts: A.L Blades \$11,795, Heysham 12,999, Hawbacker 19,340 Hakes listed three options; 17,045, 20,943, 22,450. A discussion continued. Al Losey made a motion to accept the bid from Heysham Paving for \$12,999 with the stipulation that they will mill both ends (east & west) of the street to meet the existing pavement and the edges of the street would be finished off with 2RC gravel that was rolled to meet the existing drains. Melvin Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members voting yea except Bill Dincher, Ed Lockhart and Marian Russell. Al Losey will contact Heyshem Paving. In conjunction with this, drains need to be put in along the street and Dennis Deats is willing to do this for \$1,000.

Secretary will call for prices on stop and speed limit signs, and this will be addressed at the June meeting.

After Academy Street is paved and widened, council might want to consider making this street “no parking” and ” two way” as all the residents on this street have off street parking.

Melvin is still finding and filling woodchuck holes.

C. Building and Recreation

Duane Wetmore agreed to do the survey for the Borough property and the cost will be no more than \$300. Ed Lockhart made a motion to have Duane Wetmore survey the borough property, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All were in favor and no one was opposed.

There was a conversation about a property on Mechanic Street and whether or not it was for sale and could possibly be bought by the Borough. Marian asked Ed Lockhart to check into this.

Marian mentioned that Tom Rotsell complained that he is losing tenants due to the foul language at the park. Walt will check it out.

D. Public Safety: Fire and Police

Josh White will be riding with Walt (sometime between May- August) to get in fifteen hours for forensic photography.

E. Personnel and Appointment

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Burrows property- non-jury trial has been set for July 31, 2002

Burton property- Mayor Bryce Taft agreed to talk to George Burton and give a report at the next meeting.

Burket/Johnson property- Marian will contact Bob Burket, again.

Robinson property- it was agreed to let this ride for another month.

Sika property- Mayor Taft said he would speak to Mr. Sika in a few days and get back to the secretary with the results.

Short property- Council members were asked to take a look at the property this month.

Codification- There are still some things pending; council members, that received paperwork on this, should review and get back to Marian with any input.

June Association meeting- date set for June 20, 2002 and menu was decided on. A map for directions should accompany the letter to the boroughs. Al Losey will make arrangements for the speakers.

Bradshaw Park- There was a discussion about selling the property and putting it back on the tax roll.

NEW BUSINESS

1-Secretary to contact Time Warner Cable Co. and request an additional \$500.00 for franchise fee; David Whalen was informed of this increase in December 2001.

2- Glenn Hawbaker, Inc will be working on Main Street for a few weeks and would like permission to park their equipment in the borough parking lot. Secretary will ask if they could do some paving at the sewer plant in exchange for this service.

3- Mildred Bliss made a motion to authorize secretary to participate in the PSAB Borough Management Caucus, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All were in favor and no one was opposed.

4- with having unlimited access to the Internet with Epix we can have five different mailboxes. Marian Russell suggested the LBA could use one of those mailboxes and wouldn't have the monthly charge of \$9.95 each month. Eugene Pondo will address this at the LBA meeting.

5- Pump n Pantry and Dandy Mart have big signs that are obstructing traffic. Marian and Al will address the issue with each of the businesses.

6- there was a complaint about a plugged drain on State Street. Melvin Davis will have Curry clean it out.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:47 PM by Eugene Pondo, and seconded by Al Losey. All were in favor and no one was opposed.

Minutes were taken and prepared by:
Darcy Wood