

**LAWRENCEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2002**

President Marian Russell called the Special 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
Ed Lockhart
Marian Russell

Chief of Police:

Walter Beach

Secretary:

Darcy Wood

Absent:

Eugene Pondo, III
Al Losey

Visitors:

Tom Rotsell

This special meeting was called to work on the budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:13 pm Council President Marian Russell called a recess from the meeting to go into executive session to discuss personnel.

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The meeting reconvened at 8:30 pm.

Ed Lockhart made a motion to increase the secretary salary to \$10.00 an hour, seconded by Melvin Davis. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yea.

Hourly wages for the maintenance will remain the same, however the hours will be cut to 10 hours a week, November through March, and increased to 20 hours a week April through October.

Marian will review salary for the Police Chief and she will have some figures available at the next meeting.

Bill Dincher questioned if a mercantile tax can be collected, as that would ease property taxes. Marian asked him to look into this and give a report at the November meeting.

Marian asked everyone to look the budget over and will discuss the next phase at the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was a discussion on State Street pertaining to the storm sewers.

Tom Rotsell came to see how we have progressed with the land. On the deed the first parcel listed is 39', 116', and 160' and that's what Dwayne Wetmore got his information from. It appears that over the years that 39' got incorporated into one of the other deeds. The secretary will forward a copy of the deeds to Dwayne.

Marian asked Tom if 160' would be enough and he stated that it wouldn't be beneficial for them to pay \$30,000 to have the borough bldg torn down and then not get any of the land. If the borough kept 60' of the 276' that would fit into there plans.

It was decided to not pursue buying the land from the Butler's; as they are asking for \$17,500 and the tax-exempt status will be appealed, as that is incorrect.

A new committee was formed. Marian appointed Bill Dincher as the chairman, Walt Beach, Melvin Davis, and Ed Lockhart for the purpose of suggestions and a drawing for a new borough office, secretary office and police dept.

Marian stated she would call the attorney and see if we can do a new deed and incorporate all the land into one.

A resolution will be drawn up for Academy Street declaring it two ways and no parking; the time frame is no more than 90 days. Walt offered to word the resolution for the secretary and it will be adopted at the November meeting.

Reviewing the building permit process was tabled. Marian asked everyone to read the paperwork and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mildred Bliss made a motion that we approve building permit #198 & 199, seconded by Ed Lockhart. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yea.

Marian asked everyone to review the letter from our solicitor pertaining to the church issues so it can be discussed at the next months meeting. Walt requested a copy of the letter.

Holiday banners- it was suggested we look into this for next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Mildred Bliss spoke of the complaints she received because we don't have a "clean up" day. Marian said SDS will take about everything you put out. If we

decided to have this we should have it policed and make sure only borough residents use it. Secretary will check if SDS takes Christmas trees.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn at 9:38 pm by Mildred Bliss, seconded by Bill Dincher. All were in favor; no one was opposed.

Minutes were taken and prepared by:
Darcy Wood