

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
November 7, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young, President
Larry Barnes, Vice President
Judy Kenyon-ABSENT
Bradley Hackett

Marian Russell,
Diana McCullough
Mansel O'Dell

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Jill Hall

Police Department:

Chief Robert Gee-ABSENT

Visitors:

Bev Shoup	Bill Shoup	Donna Blend	Amy Southard
Maxine Smith	Anna Hoteling	Lee Strange	Robert Penzone
Cleo Russell	Rose Delia	Paul King	Cyndy Burrows
Walt Beach	Koleen Short	Rudy Jakubik	Janet Beach

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bradley Hackett motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes dated October 3, 2016. Diana McCullough seconded the motion. All present were in favor. Larry Barnes motioned to approve the special meeting minutes dated October 26, 2016. Bradley Hackett seconded the motion. Mansell O'Dell opposed, all others were in favor.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

- Rose Delia brought American Medical Association (AMA) recommendations regarding Kelvin ratings and blue light waves for proper sleeping conditions to the Borough Council's attention once again. Rose would like to know these ratings pertaining to the newly installed LED lights in the borough. The borough secretary is still trying to determine this information. The mayor expressed that the AMA may not always be correct and that more research may need to be conducted.
- Anna Hoteling asked "Should a Borough Council member be attending the Water Authority meetings to ensure that the Authority members are adhering to the ordinance?" Cyndy Burrows commented that the minutes reported by the authority are incomplete so the council should not rely on the minutes presented by the Authority members. The council will consider.
- Cyndy Burrows stated that there is a particular vehicle speeding up and down State Street, completing ignoring the stop signs. It is a vehicle with NY plates. Halloween night there were large teenagers that approached Cyndy's home and this made her very nervous. Cyndy would like more of a police presence in the borough. The mayor will set up a meeting with Chief Ge.
- Rudy Jakubik requested an update regarding his desire to purchase property in the borough on Mechanic Street. He was told that he can purchase the property and does not need to change the

zoning requirements to have just a driveway on the property, but he cannot drive on or across the dikes to access NY State. This is an ordinance in the borough and it must be adhered to.

COMMUNICATIONS: No discussion

TREASURER'S REPORT: Diana McCullough moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Marian Russell seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Diana McCullough moved to pay the bills in the amount of \$16,520.68. Larry Barnes seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor reported she is receiving numerous calls regarding inappropriate behavior in the parks after dark. By the time the mayor is able to arrive at the parks, the perpetrators are nowhere to be found. Brad and Diana M said they are also receiving calls regarding this same behavior. Security cameras in the parks were discussed again and the mayor is concerned whether or not having the cameras would actually solve the problems that are occurring. Brad has reached out to several security companies. The biggest issue is line of sight back to the borough office and/or cost.

POLICE REPORT: NONE

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: See Attached-Lee Strange also discussed a Connecticut Ambulance Association run completely by high school students. It is a completely volunteer association and the students are mentored by the adult Ambulance Association in the community. It was brought up as a great way to encourage the younger members in a community to become involved in community service. An EMR (emergency medical responder) class is being considered in Wellsboro. This program would target 16, 17, & 18 year olds. Penn Tech would offer the class and successful participants would receive 3 Penn Tech credits upon completion. This is a first step towards becoming a public servant in the emergency sector of a community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Library:**
- **Zoning Officer:**
- **Public Works/Streets and Dikes:**
 - Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 2:00 the dikes will be inspected.
 - Jack Young will be the contact for Mr. Deats to call for cinderling in the borough.
- **Public Works/Parks & Recreation:**

PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENT:

- It was announced that four planning commission members were still needed.
- A motion was made Larry Barnes to hire Paul King as the new Zoning Officer for the Borough of Lawrenceville, PA. Marian Russell seconded the motion. All present were in favor.
- Paul King was introduced and welcomed to the borough. Paul then explained his desire for the borough to purchase software called ZoneIt. This software was designed by Terrica Erb-Jones and would tie the borough zoning office into Erb Inspections, the tax assessor's office and other state offices. The software would be a paper saving and time saving purchase. A motion was made by Diana McCullough to purchase the ZoneIT software for \$200.00 from Terrica Erb-Jones for the Zoning Office. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows: Larry Barnes-Yes, Marian Russell-Yes, Bradley Hackett-Yes, Mansel O'Dell-Yes, Diana McCullough-Yes, and Jack Young-Yes. The motion carried.
- A resignation from Robert Kenyon stating his desire to resign from the Water Authority Board, effective immediately was presented to the council. Diana McCullough moved to accept Robert

Kenyon's resignation from the Water Authority effective immediately. Larry Barnes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows: Larry Barnes-Yes, Marian Russell-Yes, Bradley Hackett-Yes, Mansel O'Dell-Yes, Diana McCullough-Yes, and Jack Young-Yes. Motion carried.

- Bradley Hackett motioned to appoint Walter Beach to the vacancy on the Lawrenceville Water Authority Board. Larry Barnes seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the results are as follows: Larry Barnes-Yes, Marian Russell-Yes, Bradley Hackett-Yes, Mansel O'Dell-Yes, Diana McCullough-Abstain, and Jack Young-Yes. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Brad is coordinating with Tim Short to fix the connection wires in front of Guaranteed Tire & Auto so the Christmas lights won't blink. They will also hang and wire the snowflakes up Route 49.
- The Time Warner Agreement is expiring at the end of 2016. Time Warner is under new ownership. The council is waiting to see how this will affect the franchise agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A motion was made by Larry Barnes to not pay the Unemployment Compensation Solvency Fee of \$98.99. Diana McCullough seconded the motion. All present were in favor.
- A motion was made by Diana McCullough to accept the proposed 2017 Council meeting dates and allow them to be advertised. Larry Barnes seconded the motion. All present were in favor.
- Amy Southard presented to the Council that Pat Deane is having difficulties with her parking lots flooding. Pat has contacted the borough office requesting to put a drain in her parking lots that will connect to the borough storm drains. This was not looked upon favorably by the council. Bradley Hackett suggested Pat install a personal storm drain. Amy will call Pat with this determination.
- 2017 draft budget was given to each council member for review.
- The current water authority loan rates are 4.5% and 5.75%, respectively. The Lawrenceville Borough has secured a refinancing loan (per Ordinance 254) rate of 2.068%, for the first 7 years, and then .65 over prime for the remainder of the loan. This will provide a conservative, estimated savings to the rate payers/tax payers within the borough of \$50,000-\$75,000.

ADJORN: Diana McCullough motioned to adjourn at 8:21 pm. Bradley Hackett seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Jill S. Hall, Lawrenceville Borough Secretary