

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 2, 2006**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice President Gordon Chilson called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

**Council Members:**

Ed Lockhart  
Mildred Bliss  
Melvin Davis  
Marian Russell arrived 7:25 PM  
Gordon Chilson  
Brad Robinson-Absent  
Larry Barnes

**Chief of Police:**

Walter Beach

**Mayor:**

Absent

**Secretary:**

Judy Woythal

**Visitors:**

Gene Haley  
Teresa Lockhart

Karen Flynn

Donna Blend

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to approve the minutes of September 5, 2006, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

Theresa Lockhart stated that she didn't really want to resign, but she did submit her resignation as Planning Commission President. Theresa stated that the planning commission was not aware that the house at 67 Main Street was approved to be torn down.

The Council stated that the house at 67 Main Street was in disrepair and that it needed to be torn down.

The Council also received resignations from Janet and Dave Abramson as planning commission members.

Ed Lockhart stated that it was hard for Theresa to hold meetings, because some the planning commission members did not show up. Ed suggested we advertise for members for the planning commission.

Karen Flynn stated that she was not resigning from the planning commission. Karen stated that the planning commission had worked on the rezoning map and the 911 addressing and it stopped at the Council. Karen also reported that the planning commission seminar she attended was for Townships instead of Boroughs.

**Marian Russell stated that she was trying to arrange local training for the planning commission and was waiting for a response from the planning commission on who was interested. Theresa Lockhart stated she only got a couple of responses and they were no.**

**The Council discussed the changing of Main Street from residential to commercial. There are conflicts with the proposed map and the Borough Code Ordinances. There would be no living in the downstairs if rezoned to commercial. The Council stated they would look at the proposed zoning map and work with the planning commission.**

**Marian Russell stated that she spoke with Nancy Beardslee at Williams Oil regarding requirements (including drawing to scale, drainage) needed on the Dandy Mart permit application.**

**COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT-Mildred Bliss made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.**

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Mildred Bliss made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 4,841.10, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.**

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Walt Beach read the police report. Walt stated that a possible rabid raccoon & skunk were reported.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Library-Karen Flynn asked that the air conditioner be removed from the library and also the light timing needs to be changed when daylight savings time ends.**

#### **B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer-**

**Gene Haley reported the following: 1. A permit was issued for Lezlie Richner at 6 Buffard to move in a trailer. 2. The owner of 72 Main Street was contacted regarding an abandoned vehicle and told it must be removed within 30 days. 3. At 48 Main Street the condemned signs had been removed, the owner stated that he did not remove them. New signs will be put up. The Borough is still waiting for proof of ownership and permit fee for the zoning application.**

**The Council asked Gene Haley for his opinion on the sidewalk bid ad regarding 6 inch thickness of the sidewalk in the driveway area at the Borough Office. Gene Haley recommended 8 to 10 inches thick for heavy**

**truck traffic. The Council discussed the bid ad and decided to leave it at 6 inches.**

**The sidewalk bid will be advertised and the bid opening will be on Monday October 23, 2006.**

**C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-**

**Gordon Chilson stated that Melvin Davis and him met with the levee inspector (Matt Wheeler from the Army Corp of Engineers) to look at the levee. Gordon reported that the levee looked good, but there is some brush built up by the flood gates that needs to be trimmed.**

**Gordon Chilson reported that he has met with Hunt Engineers a few times regarding the State Street Project. Hunt Engineers will need to do a survey on the height of the manholes on the catch basins, before the project can be put out for bid.**

**D. Building- The Council discussed removing the trees & brush on the Robinson property line. The Council also discussed only trimming the trees and installing fencing. The Council needs to determine exactly where the property line is, before they proceed. The surveyor needs to be contacted as to the location of a pin that was not placed due to snow at the time of the survey.**

**Marian Russell reported that the basement at the Borough office has been cleaned out with the help of the community service worker and the Borough Secretary. There are some items that the Borough does not need and they will be sold.**

**E. Public Safety: Fire and Police – Walt Beach reported that he has two applications for a Part-time Police Officer and wishes to schedule interviews with the Police Committee.**

**The Council asked about the condition of the Police car. Walt Beach stated that he has problems with the check engine light, the car is 6 years old and has approximately 48,000 miles on it.**

**F. Personnel and Appointment- A member for the Lower Tioga River Valley Planning Commission is still needed. The Council asked Theresa Lockhart and Karen Flynn if they wanted the members of the planning commission reduced from 7 to 5. They agreed.**

**Ed Lockhart made a Motion to adopt the Resolution # 334 which changes the number of members on the planning commission from 7 to 5, seconded by Marian Russell. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yea.**

**G. Unfinished Business-** Marian Russell requested that all budget worksheets be turned in to the Borough Secretary, so the budget can be discussed at the next meeting.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to adopt the Resolution # 335 Implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS), seconded by Marian Russell. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yea.

The Council asked the secretary to mail out friendly reminders to those who had not paid for their banners.

**H. New Business-**

The Council asked the secretary to contact Fisher Construction to see if he was interested in snow removal for the winter of 2006-2007.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to authorize the secretary to purchase a \$120 shredder, splitting the cost with the Water Authority, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to authorize the secretary to purchase a fire proof file cabinet, splitting the cost with the Water Authority, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea. The secretary will check out prices and notify the Council before purchasing.

Trick or Treat Night will be Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup>, 6 PM to 8 PM.

At 8:30 PM, the Council continued the meeting until October 23 at 7 PM.

October 23, 2006 Meeting

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Marian Russell called the continuation of the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:00 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Council Members:**

Ed Lockhart-absent

Mildred Bliss

Melvin Davis

Marian Russell

Gordon Chilson

Brad Robinson-Absent

Larry Barnes

**Chief of Police:**

Walter Beach

**Mayor:**

Bryce Taft

**Secretary:**

Judy Woythal

**Visitors:** Donna Blend

This meeting was for the opening of the sidewalk bids and NO bids were received.

**The Council discussed the sidewalk and the driveway and agreed that they are two different projects. Council members will contact some contractors to give us a proposal on the sidewalk project and submit them at the November meeting.**

**Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the payment of the following bills: Real Disposal-\$967.20, Electron Monkey-\$68.75 and also to approve the invoice that will come from Ed Penner for delivery of 2 loads of Cinders at \$13 a ton, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.**

#### **Unfinished Business**

**The Council discussed the snow removal quote we received from Fisher Construction. Gordon Chilson had a few questions and will contact Mr. Fisher before our next meeting.**

**Gordon Chilson made a Motion to accept the resignations from David & Janet Abramson from the Planning Commission, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.**

**The Council discussed the resignation from Theresa Lockhart from the Planning Commission and will table it until the November meeting.**

#### **New Business**

**The Council will discuss at the Police Committee Meeting in November the two applications for a Part-time Police Officer.**

**The Council discussed a Complaint that was received regarding 67 Main Street. Gene Haley had spoken with Williams Oil and the equipment that is there is for finishing the cleanup for the building that was torn down, not for any new construction.**

**The Council discussed the many vehicles at 61 Main Street and asked the secretary to contact Gene Haley to check it out.**

**Larry Barnes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 PM, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.**

**Minutes recorded and printed by: Judy Woythal, Secretary**