

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:03 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young
Marian Russell
Maxine Smith
Gordon Chilson
Larry Barnes
Brad Hackett
Mansel O'Dell

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors: David Scrimshaw – West Field Press

Marty Burrows

Walt Beach

Corey Mosher

Bev Shoup

Bill Dincher

Frank Six

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Brad Hackett made a Motion to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2013 meeting, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Frank Six asked about the traffic light being Red a long time when on Route 49. The Council commented that the traffic light timer was set equally, when the light was installed in 2012.

COMMUNICATIONS –

TREASURER'S REPORT- Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Brad Hackett made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 23,436.90, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea. Brad Hackett made a Motion to pay the invoices to Chemung Supply in the amount of \$ 4,038.10 and to Zeiser Wilbert Vault in the amount of \$ 6,069.00 out of the 2012 CDB Grant funds, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- Mayor Diana Barnes reported that she had spoken with the Housing Authority Office and that the tenants using vulgar language had moved out. Diana commented that the children enjoyed the Christmas tree lighting that was held on Sunday.

Tioga County Development Corporation (TCDC) membership-The Council reviewed the letter from Bob Blair, TCDC President, regarding the businesses in Lawrenceville that

benefited from TCDC. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to become a Gold Associate Member at the \$ 250 membership fee, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

POLICE REPORT – Police Chief Corey Mosher read his Police report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library – It was reported that a damaged piece of siding has been replaced.

B. Enforcement/Zoning Officer- No report

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes – Gordon Chilson reported he met with Jody Fisher and the gas company regarding Franklin Street. The Franklin Street Project has been delayed due to the need of relocation of the gas line. The gas company is unable to move the line until the spring of 2014.

D. Personnel and Appointment.

Zoning Hearing Board Member Vacancy– Larry Barnes made a Motion to appoint Linda Giardina to the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Mansel O’Dell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Zoning Hearing Board Member term expiring – Marian Russell made a Motion to re-appoint Linda Kilborn for another term, seconded by Brad Hackett. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Vacancy Board Member is needed, due to the fact that Mansel O’Dell is now a Council Member and he had held that position.

Two terms are expiring on the water authority board (Larry Barnes and Danny Smith) January 1, 2014. Larry Barnes stated he and Danny Smith are interested in being reappointed. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Mansel O’Dell to the water authority board, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Maxine Smith, Brad Hackett, Marian Russell, Gordon Chilson, Jack Young, Mansel O’Dell voting yea and Larry Barnes abstained.

Mansel O’Dell made a Motion to appoint Gordon Chilson to the water authority board, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Marian Russell, Brad Hackett, and Larry Barnes voting NO and Mansel O’Dell, Gordon Chilson, Maxine Smith and Jack Young voting Yes. Motion carried 4 to 3.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Recodification-Updating of Zoning Map and comprehensive plan–The planning commission is working on this. Jack Young stated that Attorney Lantz is available to help the planning commission with the zoning.

TARM agreement – We are waiting for a response from Attorney Luschas on the final agreement.

Budget – the proposed 2014 budget millage (5.3604) will remain the same as 2013 with no tax increase. Marian Russell made a Motion to tentatively adopt the 2014 budget, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Jack Young complimented the Council for getting street projects completed and reinstating the Police Department without increasing taxes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Basketball Court – The Council discussed removing the tennis court and replacing it with basketball hoops. The recreation committee will review what is needed.

Resolution #363 Modification of the fee schedule from July 2006 – permit fees for variance, appeals, special exception, temporary use, demolition, fence, and accessory buildings. This fee schedule will be effective January 1, 2014. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to adopt Resolution # 363, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Tax Collection Committee Voting Delegate Appointment Resolution# 364 – Gordon Chilson made a Motion to adopt Resolution # 364 appointing Wanda Erb, seconded by Mansel O'Dell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Maxine Smith reported that Steven Hoover from DCNR has information regarding a Tree Vitalize grant opportunity. The grant covers street tree pruning and could be used for trimming the cherry trees. Gordon Chilson commented that the street committee could meet with Steven Hoover. The Borough secretary will obtain information to apply for the grant.

Gordon Chilson asked that the folder for overlapping hours that was presented from Auditor Lisa Guthrie regarding the Water Authority Audit, be entered into the minutes. The folder will be on file at the Borough Office with the minute book.

A Council meeting will be held on December 23, 2013 at 6:00 PM to adopt the proposed 2014 budget.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 PM, seconded by Mansel O'Dell.

Minutes reported and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary.