

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
December 3, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 6:56 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young
Marian Russell
Maxine Smith
Gordon Chilson
Larry Barnes
Brad Hackett
Ron Gontarz

Mayor:

Absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Corey Mosher
Walt Beach

Marty Burrows
Bill Dincher

Bev & Bill Shoup

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Marian Russell made a Motion to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2012 meeting, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Bill Dincher reported that no complaints were received and no permits were issued. A court date has been set for January 8, 2012 regarding 43 State Street.

COMMUNICATIONS –The Council reviewed the letter from Annette Harmon, Century 21 Realtor, in regards to the Davis property located north of Route 49 from the diversion ditch to the Borough/Township line asking if this property is or could be zoned industrial. Bill Dincher, zoning officer, stated that the property is currently zoned Commercial B2 and is NOT zoned industrial. The owners could make application for a zoning change.

TREASURER’S REPORT-Marian Russell made a Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Brad Hackett. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS-Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 27,996.50 plus the invoices regarding the Christmas light repairs – Custom Building and Remodeling \$ 420.00 and Hall’s Home & Lumber \$ 141.27, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR’S REPORT-None

POLICE REPORT – Police Chief Corey Mosher read the police report and stated that the police vehicle has been ordered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Library- Ron Gontarz reported that the library building is in need of many exterior repairs, to include repair to the foundation and rain gutters.**
- B. Enforcement/Zoning Officer-**
- C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes –James Street Project Update – Additional materials were purchased from Chemung Supply in the amount of \$ 1,701.88. Invoices were received from Donald Deats and Son in the amount of \$ 20,160.00 and \$ 730.00. Council was pleased with the work that Donald Deats and Son had done on the James Street Project. Marian Russell made a Motion to approve payment of the invoices to Chemung Supply and Donald Deats and Son, seconded by Brad Hackett. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members voting yea.**
- D. Personnel and Appointment – none**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Recodification-Updating of Zoning Ordinance and Map – Attorney Chris Lantz is preparing the Ordinance. A public hearing and stenographer will be required.

FEMA-Levee Report regarding Flood Insurance Rate Map. The Borough Secretary contacted Tim Steed regarding the percentages on the progress report. Information was taken from the normal inspections, low field visits, maintenance of the levee, Dewberry Good Kind freeboard information and the operation and maintenance manuals to calculate the percentages. The cost to accredit the levee could be \$ 100,000 to \$ 200,000. Gordon Chilson presented Levee project information that stated Ownership of facilities: All structures erected and equipment installed by the Commonwealth, remain Commonwealth property, although their maintenance; operation and replacement is the responsibility of the Borough of Lawrenceville. Ron Gontarz made a Motion to authorize Tim Steed to write a letter to FEMA stating that the Borough does not own the levee, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea.

Flood Plain Ordinance-The County will give us a deadline to adopt, once they receive a date from FEMA.

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

Building improvements Borough Office – The Council reviewed the quote from Hunt Engineers in the amount of \$ 6,060 in engineering fees for the basement renovations for a meeting room. The Council agreed that the costs would outweigh the benefits of remodeling the basement and so this topic was tabled.

Non-Profit Corporation- Attorney Owlett’s office is working on the application.

NEW BUSINESS:

Walt Beach reported that he had not asked the water authority about requesting the DUI trailer for their use.

Budget: The proposed budget for 2013 will have the same millage (5.3604) as 2012 with NO tax increase. The Budget includes applying to the Krieger Foundation for story hour, library repairs and a park pavilion. Marian Russell made a Motion to tentatively adopt the 2013 proposed budget, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea, except Gordon Chilson voted NO.

Maxine Smith commented she would work with Lucy Losey on planning a Lawrenceville Borough Community Day for 2013.

At 7:45 PM, the Council Meeting was continued until December 27, 2012 at 6:00 PM, to adopt the budget and any other matter.

December 27, 2012 at 6:00 PM the Council Meeting reconvened.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young

Marian Russell-arrived at 6:15

Maxine Smith-absent

Gordon Chilson

Larry Barnes

Brad Hackett -absent

Ron Gontarz

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitor: Walt Beach

Unfinished Business:

Budget for 2013 – Ordinance # 246. No tax increase. Impact fee of \$ 28,904.48 received to be used for streets (\$ 20,000.) and public safety (\$ 8,904.48). Apply to Krieger Foundation with 3 separate applications: story hour, library building repairs and park pavilion. Funds from DCNR park grant can be used towards the pavilion.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to adopt the 2013 Budget, Ordinance # 246, seconded by Ron Gontarz. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Larry Barnes, Ron Gontarz, Jack Young voting yea and Gordon Chilson voting NO.

Auditor – Larry Barnes made a Motion to re-appoint Lisa Guthrie as the auditor, seconded by Gordon Chilson. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Gordon Chilson, Larry Barnes, Ron Gontarz, and Jack Young voting yea.

Tax Collection Committee Representative Resolution # 359 – Larry Barnes made a Motion to adopt Resolution # 359 to re-appoint Wanda Erb as our Tax Collection Committee Representative, seconded by Ron Gontarz. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Gordon Chilson, Larry Barnes, Ron Gontarz, and Jack Young voting yea.

James Street Project-We received a letter from the Tioga County Housing in regards to the CDBG 2012 application we submitted. We were awarded \$ 53,238.00. Grant checks have been received for payment of the Chemung Supply and Zeiser Vault invoices.

At 6:15 PM Marian Russell arrived.

New Business: Additional light is needed at the library entrance. Kayla Peterson (library volunteer) has requested a motion light. The Council discussed location of the light. Tim Short of Custom Building & Remodeling will be contacted to see what our options are. Larry Barnes made a Motion to have a motion light installed at the library, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea.

Interstate Road Management-invoice regarding intersection striping. The striping was originally done in June and part of the crosswalk striping was coming off. Payment has been withheld until they repainted that section. They have repainted it. Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the Interstate Road Management Invoice, seconded by Ron Gontarz. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30PM, seconded by Marian Russell.

Minutes reported and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary.