

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
December 6, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:04 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Marian Russell

Mildred Bliss

Maxine Smith

Gordon Chilson

Larry Barnes

Melvin Davis

Jack Young

Mayor:

absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Bill & Bev Shoup

Donna Blend

Tom Rotsell

Marty Burrows

Cindy Burrows

Rose Delia

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the minutes of November 1, 2010, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS- Tom Rotsell stated that he was concerned about the dike near his State Street Property and the water that comes on to his property due to a crushed sluice pipe. Some of the Council members will meet with Tom on Tuesday to look the situation over.

Cindy Burrows asked for an update on the Water Puddle issue near 34 & 35 State Street. The street committee is working on a different way to correct the problem.

Rose Delia expressed her concern about a neighbor's tree overhanging into her yard and possibly damaging her fence. Rose requested the Council to contact the Borough Attorney on proper procedure to trim the tree. The Council stated that this was a private issue.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS- Gordon Chilson stated that there are additional material invoices in reference to the James Street Project. A work order change was needed to include 3 more drains and relocation of some of the catch basins, due

to the location of the high pressure gas lines and the water/sewer lines. Marian Russell made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 10,722.22, plus the additional material invoices in the amount of \$ 2,727.22, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library- none

B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- none

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes- Gordon Chilson gave an update on the James Street Project Phase I. The project should be completed this week. Dennis Deats will come back to touch up the laterals and stone rake when the dirt is frozen. It was reported that the pipe opening in the Penn Dot ditch needs to have bars put on it.

Mildred Bliss commented on what a wonderful job Dennis Deats and his crew are doing on the James Street Project. Mildred thanked Gordon Chilson for his help with the project.

D. Personnel and Appointment- The Council discussed the vacancy of the Zoning/Code Enforcer position. Marian Russell made a Motion to appoint Jay Erb, Erb Building Inspections as the Zoning/Code Enforcer for the rest of 2010, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea. The position will be advertised for 2011.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

Recodification-Council will discuss this with the Solicitor before continuing.

Water Puddles near 34 & 35 State Street-

Zoning Amendment-Attorney Chris Lantz will be working on this.

Tax Abatement Program-discuss at a later date

NEW BUSINESS – 2011 Budget-The Council reported that the 2011 Budget WILL NOT have a tax increase. The millage rate will be the same as last year 5.3604 (Boro 4.6604 and Fire Department .7000). Mildred Bliss made a Motion to tentatively adopt the 2011 Budget, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Flood Plain Ordinance – updating required by FEMA and a state model ordinance is recommended. Marian Russell made a Motion to use the State model ordinance, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

TCC Committee – Delegates need to be appointed for 2011.

Tabor Foundation Grant-Approval for a \$ 7,000 grant and an agreement were received for our Cherry Street Park Project. Marian Russell made a Motion to accept the \$ 7,000 Tabor Foundation Grant, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

DEP-levee maintenance grant application was approved in the amount of \$ 24,608. The Borough match will be \$ 13,251. Mildred Bliss made a Motion to accept the \$ 24,608 grant for levee maintenance, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

Marian Russell commented that the other DEP grant for equipment is still available. The Council suggested waiting until we get the final inspection report and then determine what equipment will be needed.

The Council discussed imposing a fee for the trucks hauling water from the Borough Authority. The hydrant across from the Borough Office is the loading area and the sidewalk and pavement are being damaged by the trucks. There is a concern with water freezing on the road when the trucks are filling. Council Members will bring suggestions to the next meeting.

At 8:30 PM the Council meeting was continued until December 29, 2010 at 5:00 PM.

December 29, 2010 Council Meeting reconvened at 5:01 PM

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Marian Russell

Mildred Bliss

Maxine Smith

Gordon Chilson

Larry Barnes - absent

Melvin Davis

Jack Young

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors: Donna Blend

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 2011 Budget – Marian Russell made a Motion to adopt the 2011 Budget, with the same millage rate as 2010 of 5.3604, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Fire Protection Contract – The contract is the same as the last one with a millage rate of .7000 for 5 years (January 1, 2011 – December 21, 2015). Mildred Bliss made a Motion to approve the 5 year Fire Protection Contract millage rate of .7000, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Audit 2010 – Marian Russell made a Motion to approve Lisa Guthrie to perform the 2010 Audit, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Gordon Chilson reported an increase in the scope of the James Street project and adjustments. Due to high pressure gas lines in the way, additional catch basins and laterals were needed to go around the lines. Any unused materials will be used in Phase II. Part of the materials will be paid for by the grant funding and part will be paid for by the Borough.

Additional invoices for James Street Project

Chemung Supply	\$ 633.47
Zeiser Wilbert Vault	\$ 967.00
Zeiser Wilbert Vault	\$ 390.00
Zeiser Wilbert Vault	\$ 550.00
Donald Deats & Son	\$ 2,050.00
Extra catch basin Franklin St	
Donald Deats & Son	\$ 1,800.00
Extra catch basin James St	=====
Total	\$ 6,390.47

Melvin Davis made a Motion to pay the additional invoices in the amount of \$ 6,390.47, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

Jack Young thanked Gordon Chilson for his work on the James Street Project, thanked the Mayor for donations she collected for the library, thanked all who helped with the installation of the Christmas decorations and all the Council members for their work during the year.

Jack Young thanked the Borough Secretary for her work on applying for and receiving grant funding for the Borough on several projects.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 PM, seconded by Melvin Davis.

Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary