

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
February 4, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

Marian Russell called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:02 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Ed Lockhart
Mildred Bliss
Marian Russell
Gordon Chilson
Larry Barnes
Melvin Davis
Jack Young

Mayor:

Bryce Taft

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Walt & Janet Beach
Gene Haley
Theresa Lockhart
Glen Bissonnette
Tom Rotsell

Fern Deming
Donna Blend
Robert Strozyk
Albert Anderson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to approve the minutes of January 7 and January 8, 2008, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-Theresa Lockhart asked about procedure regarding a subdivision drawing she received. The 1st step is for the Borough Planning Commission to review the survey, 2nd step is for the Borough Council to approve and the 3rd step is for the County Planning Commission to approve.

Glen Bissonnette, new owner of 55 Main Street, discussed with the Council the condition of the sidewalk next to his building.

Tom Rotsell stated that the sluice pipe by his State Street property sometimes floods. Jack Young and Gordon Chilson will meet with Tom to look at the situation.

COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed. Fire Department Banquet will be Feb. 23rd.

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-Ed Lockhart made a Motion to pay the bills totaling

\$ 6,701.99 plus additional of \$ 10.88 = \$ 6,712.87, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- Bryce Taft reported he received a phone call regarding a trailer full of trash.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library-No report.

B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Gene Haley reported the following:

- 1. 43 State St.-inspected apartments in main house-in violation**
- 2. 55 Main St-sign permit-needs to apply for special exception**
- 3. 43 State St-complaint-apartment in safety violation will inspect other 3 apartments.**
- 4. 20 Cowanesque St.-Hearing-Judge gave until March 3, to clean up**
- 5. State St. Property-Mosher-brush pile will be cleaned up**

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Gordon Chilson reported that the trees on the dike are being cut when weather allows.

Jack Young, Gordon Chilson and Tim Steed (Hunt Engineers) met with James McGrath and Kevin Patt regarding the CDB Grant for phase III of the State Street Project. We received a letter stating the County approved \$ 95,000 for Phase III and the next step is for the State to approve it. With the \$ 41,000 left over from phase II and the \$ 95,000 for phase III grant we will have \$ 136,000 for phase III.

The annual inspection report was received from DEP regarding the dike flood protection project. Both DEP and the US Army Corp of Engineers found the condition of our project to be acceptable and we are eligible for the Flood Protection Grant Program.

D. Building: The Council discussed the meeting room. We are waiting for estimates from Bob Cook and from Ray Ransom and will discuss at the next meeting.

E. Public Safety: Gordon Chilson reported that the Police Car is being detailed and will be put on Ebay.

F. Personnel and Appointment-There is one vacancy on the Borough planning commission and one on the Water Authority Board that need to be filled. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Mansel O'Dell as a Water Authority Board Member, seconded by Jack Young. A roll call vote was taken with all members voting yea.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-Recodification-will work on in March.

The Council discussed the Johnson letter regarding Outdoor Wood Burning Ordinance. No one has changed their opinion, so the subject will be dropped.

The Council discussed selling the Bradshaw Park lot. Jack Young made a Motion to set the selling price at \$ 12,995 for the lot, with a stipulation that a house must be built on the lot, seconded by Gordon Chilson. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members voting yea, except Ed Lockhart voted NO.

H. NEW BUSINESS-The Council discussed the date for the mile long sale. It was decided that the dates will be July 11th and July 12th, since the 4th of July falls on a Friday this year.

The Council discussed the dates for Clean Up Day this year. The Township Clean Up dates are May 10th and September 28th. The Council decided to schedule one for now, which will be May 10th.

Marian Russell reported that the Council members have taken NIMS tests. She thanked the Fire Department for setting up the classes that were held at the Fire Hall. Pastor Robert Strozyk stated he would like information on the NIMS training.

Walt Beach asked about the status on the DUI equipment. The Council stated that they are sorting through the inventory and it is not completed yet.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM, seconded by Melvin Davis.

Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary