

PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING

April 4, 2012

Public Hearing regarding the following:

An Ordinance # 243 amending the Lawrenceville Borough Zoning Map, regarding the rezoning and subdivision of the Estate of Veryl Davis reclassifying 22.77 acres to commercial and 22.45 acres to residential.

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Public Hearing in the above-entitled matter to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young

Marian Russell

Maxine Smith

Gordon Chilson-absent

Larry Barnes-absent

Brad Hackett

Ron Gontarz

Mayor:

Absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Court Reporter: Carlton W. Swetland

Visitors:

Walt Beach

John & Donna Stevens

Clark & Angela Digarmo

Mary Davis

Kris Davis

Cindy Walker

James Stevens

The Court Reporter, Carlton W. Swetland, is keeping a transcript of the proceedings tonight. A copy of the transcript will be filed in the Borough Office.

The public hearing in this matter was concluded at 6:38 PM.

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At this time, the Borough Council continued with the Council Special Meeting.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Jack Young

Marian Russell

Maxine Smith

Gordon Chilson-absent

Larry Barnes-absent

Brad Hackett

Ron Gontarz

Mayor:

Absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Walt Beach

Ron Gontarz made a Motion to adopt Ordinance # 243, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Unfinished Business:

Spray quotes for the dike – Brad Hackett made a Motion to accept the dike spray quotes from Ehrlich totaling \$ 5,219.65, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

At 6:45 PM, Maxine Smith requested to go into executive session regarding personnel. The regular meeting reconvened at 6:55 PM.

Maxine Smith made a Motion that effective immediately the Borough Secretary will follow the County Holiday Schedule for paid holidays, retroactive back to January 1, 2012, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

New Business: The Council discussed the installation of fence at the playground park – Jack Young will obtain quotes.

At 7:15 PM, the Council meeting was continued until April 16, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

April 16, 2012 Council Meeting reconvened at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

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

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors: Bev & Bill Shoup Walt Beach Corey Mosher

Payment of Bills: Carlton W. Swetland, court reporter fee \$ 50.60

Marian Russell made a Motion to pay Carlton W. Swetland, seconded by Brad Hackett. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Communications – Impact fee information – Each council member was given the information and website www.puc.state.pa.us Act 13 (Impact fee). The PUC can withhold funds to municipalities that have invalid ordinances.

Unfinished Business:

Community /Youth Projects – Maxine Smith reported she will be working with Williamson School to arrange students to help with projects. Maxine gave the Council members an updated list of projects.

Sale of Fire Department lot – The Council discussed including a clause in the sales contract that the property would revert back to the Borough in the event the Fire Department ceases to exist. The Borough Code Book will be researched for information regarding this.

Ehrlich – Culvert by Kwik Fill – spray quote \$ 624.75. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to approve the quote for the culvert by Kwik Fill, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Ehrlich notified us that they are no longer able to fumigate woodchucks and offered a trapping quote. DEP or Army Corp of Engineers will be contacted for a solution, since this will be a problem for dike inspections.

Ball field – old lighting needs work. Per Mike Barton’s request, Musco lighting submitted a quote for cleaning/replace lamps/re-aim fixtures in the amount of \$ 2,800. The Council discussed the quote. Brad Hackett made a Motion to accept the quote from Musco lighting, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken all members present voting yea.

Diana Barnes reported the sidewalk at the ball field is breaking up, where heavy equipment may have driven in.

Intersection striping – quotes were received regarding striping of cross walks, stop bars, etc for the traffic light intersection. Nelson & Streeter quote (using non-epoxy paint) in the amount of \$ 2,650.00 and a quote from Interstate Road Management (using epoxy paint) in the amount of \$ 3,461.50. The epoxy paint should last 2 to 3 years with the non-epoxy paint lasting only a year. Marian Russell made a Motion to accept the quote from Interstate Road Management, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Pothole patch quotes were received from Randy Heysham in the amount of \$ 1,600.00 and Fisher Construction Company in the amount of \$ 1,600.00. The Council discussed the two quotes. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to accept the quote from Randy Heysham to repair the pot holes, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Borough Office basement remodeling – The Council discussed a quote received from Chris Essig. Maxine Smith reported to the Council that the quality of work Chris had done for her was poor. The Council is waiting for a revised quote from Custom Building and Remodeling, due to the fact that handicap accessibility may not be required.

Executive Session

At 7:45 PM, Jack Young called a recess from the regular meeting to go

into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:05 PM.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to hire Martha Baker as an assistant to the Borough Secretary. Motion was dead, due to lack of a second. Maxine Smith made a Motion to hire Martha Baker as the primary assistant to the Borough Secretary and also hire Megan Thistle as a backup or for extra projects, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Maxine Smith made a Motion to hire both Corey Mosher and Walt Beach as police officers, with Corey Mosher as the Chief of Police, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea. The hourly wage will be \$ 14 per hour. Attorney Chris Lantz is working on the Police Protection Ordinance. Diana Barnes thanked them for applying and in the future may be hiring a 3rd patrolman to share in the hours.

The Council discussed purchasing a Vspec (Speed Timing Device) a new one costs \$ 1325 installed and a used one costs \$ 1125 installed. Diana Barnes suggested we check to see if we can spend the impact fee on police equipment. Brad Hackett stated he would talk with the commissioners. Larry Barnes made a Motion to purchase the new Vspec, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

New Business:

The Borough Secretary reported that the Probation Department will have workers to rake leaves at the park and tennis court.

Mile Long Sale – Gardners Grab-N-Go requesting to rent a space in the Borough Parking Lot for the July 6th and 7th with hook up for electric. The rental for the space with electric is \$ 100 plus a \$ 100 deposit.

Clean Up Day – April 28th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Larry Barnes stated he would be around to collect the \$ 2.00 disposal fee for the tires.

Welcome to Lawrenceville Signs – Council members will bring suggestions to the next meeting for the design, picture and wording on the signs.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM, seconded by Maxine Smith.