

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
April 6, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

Marian Russell called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:00 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 Beach
Donna Blend
Marty Burrows
Wayne Hopper
Chester Bryant
Crystal Stage
Lorraine & Jim Farr
Butch Deming

Fern Deming
Peggy Miles
Bev & Bill Shoup
Rick Hitchcock
Ivan Kerr
Mike Fritz
Bill Cook
Hank Streeter

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2009, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS- Crystal Stage stated that the Cinderella League would like to use the Ball field again this year. She reported that concrete work needs to be done at the ball field and also shingles are needed on the building. Crystal submitted prices to the Council and stated she had volunteers to donate the labor.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to approve the Borough to pay for the materials for the concrete and shingles and have the volunteers supply the labor, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

Ivan Kerr stated he was interested in purchasing 15 Mechanic Street and asked about having a home-based business in a residential zone. The Council will look into this and get back to him.

The Lawrence Township Supervisors asked about what was needed for the Cherry Street Park Project. They were interested in contributing.

The Lawrence Township Supervisors asked the Borough Council to help with the cost of the 3 day NIMS training required by the Fire Department. The Council agreed to help with the cost, just let them know much.

COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed. The association dinner will be held in Elkland Borough on April 16, 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS-The Council discussed the LTRVPC (Lower Tioga River Valley Planning Commission) dues of \$ 100. Ed Lockhart made a Motion to pay the LTRVPC dues of \$ 100, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 4,152.15 plus the \$100 equaling \$ 4,252.15, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- No problems.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library-The Council reviewed the letter from Citizens and Northern Bank regarding the Albert S. and Mary Guiles Krieger Foundation. Larry Barnes made a Motion to appoint Gordon Chilson as the Administrative Committee Member to the Krieger Foundation, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea, except Gordon Chilson abstained.

The Council reviewed the utility analysis done by the Northern Tier Regional Planning. It suggested combining the electric into one meter and removing the other. The Council will look into the cost of removal.

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

1. 22 Cowanesque St-letter sent regarding code violations-items for sale in yard, tree limbs and shrubbery need to be trimmed.

2. 12 Main St-reviewed plans for sign and sidewalk

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Gordon Chilson opened the Bids for the State Street Project Phase III

Dalrymple Gravel & Contracting	\$ 233,170
Alternate 1	- 10,000
Alternate 2	- 10,000
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	\$ 213,170

Fisher Construction	\$ 224,000
No Alternate 1 & 2	
A.L. Blades & Sons, Inc	\$ 195,567.50
Alternate 1	- 11,430.00
Alternate 2	- <u>3,366.00</u>
	\$ 180,771.50
Nelson & Streeter Construction Co. Inc.	\$ 187,708
Alternate 1	- 3,560
Alternate 2	- <u>3,400</u>
	\$ 180,748
Heysham Paving Co. Inc.	\$ 171,231.50
Alternate 1	- 1,780.00
Alternate 2	- <u>2,970.00</u>
	\$ 166,481.50

Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the bid from Heysham Paving, Co. Inc. in the amount of \$ 171,231.50, seconded by Melvin Davis. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to give the Street Committee the authority to evaluate the alternates and decide whether to include the alternates or not, seconded by Melvin Davis. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Bill Cook asked some milling questions regarding the engineering drawing included with the bid documents. He did not have a copy of the drawing with him.

At 7:50 PM a recess was taken for Gordon Chilson to retrieve a copy of the engineering drawing. At 7:55 PM the meeting was called back to order. Gordon Chilson answered the questions regarding the milling.

D. Personnel and Appointment- None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Recodification-working on zoning chapter

Academy Street-One-Way Ordinance-The Council reviewed the draft Ordinance # 236. The following wording will be added-with traffic traveling from west to east. Jack Young made a Motion to approve the draft Ordinance # 236 and start the procedure to adopt, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Traffic Light Study-Northern Tier Regional Planning has some information regarding the traffic light. The secretary will contact them.

Recodification-continue working on the zoning chapter.

Reminder-Clean Up Day-Saturday May 9, 2009

Library Parking-The street committee will work on expanding the library parking. Dennis Deats will be contacted.

NEW BUSINESS

The Council discussed the Grant from DCNR that is available for small parks and playground equipment. The Grant is for \$ 20,000 plus a match of the amount that we contribute in cash and any non cash contributions. The Council agreed to contribute \$ 5,000 in cash and volunteer their labor. This would be for the Cherry Street Park Project.

Jack Young made a Motion to contribute \$ 5,000 cash to the DCNR Grant for the Cherry Street Park Project, seconded by Gordon Chilson. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Jack Young made a Motion to adopt Resolution #342 authorizing the Council President to sign the DCNR Grant Agreement for Cherry Street Park Project, on behalf of Lawrenceville Borough, seconded by Ed Lockhart. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Packer Foundation & Tabor Foundation Grants-The Council discussed applying for funds for the Cherry Street Park Project. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to give the Secretary the authority to apply to both the Packer & Tabor Foundations for Grant money, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members voting yea.

Bradshaw Park-The Council discussed selling the Bradshaw Park lot. The monument will need to be moved. Jack Young will get list of all Borough owned lots that are available to sell.

Banners-The Council agreed to take inventory of the banners to see how many are in good shape and have them installed on Main Street.

Zoning Map-A workshop for Council Members to work on updating the zoning map will be set up.

It was reported that the Welcome to Lawrenceville signs are deteriorating on the bottom and need to be fixed. Also, there are holes on the dike from the woodchucks.

A few visitors complained about people bringing dogs in the parks. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to purchase signs, as many as necessary for the parks, No Pets Allowed in Park, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

Marian Russell read a memo from the Lawrenceville Borough Authority stating they are filing the necessary application required for the NPDES permit for the Sewage Treatment Plant. This permit is required to be renewed every 5 years by DEP.

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM, seconded by Melvin Davis.

Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary