

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
May 3, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:03 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Marian Russell
Mildred Bliss
Maxine Smith-teleconference
Gordon Chilson
Larry Barnes
Melvin Davis
Jack Young

Mayor:

absent

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Jim Baker-Larson Design Group
Imogene & Ray Adams
Fern Deming
Wayne Hopper
Judy Kenyon
Walt Beach
Aimee Barton
Rosita Delia

Paul Lee-Larson Design Group
Marty Burrows
Peggy Miles
Brad Hackett
Gene Haley
Donna Blend
Dennis Staley

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jack Young stated that an executive session was held on April 22, 2010 with solicitor Chris Lantz regarding legal matters. Marian Russell stated that a correction be made to the minutes in regards to the Motion she made on the James Street Project Phase I. She wanted to clarify that we wait until we receive approval for the grant, then once we do the street repair, then patch only the laterals across each section with blacktop.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the minutes of April 5, 2010 with the corrections, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-Paul Lee of Larson Design Group spoke regarding land development on the site located to the west of the Tioga River along Tioga River Road (TR-722) in Lawrenceville Borough. The project will recycle/reuse frack water from the gas well sites. There is a project in Williamsport, PA that is similar to the project proposed for Lawrenceville Borough. A tour of the facility by Council members has been scheduled for May 13, 2010.

Hunt Engineers will be reviewing the proposed project. Our solicitor Chris Lantz is working on the Zoning Ordinance Amendment and a road use agreement. Resident Rosita Delia suggested that landscaping be done around the project to minimize the eyesore and sound. Larson Design does intend to do landscaping.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS-Penn Dot had been contacted regarding street sweeping in the Borough. Penn Dot is no longer sweeping streets in Boroughs. Spezio-vacuum street sweeping was hired to do street sweeping. Spezio was unable to get to all the streets, due to the thickness of the dirt/cinders on the streets. Mildred Bliss made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 9,274.61 seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

**MAYOR'S REPORT- None
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Library- The Library committee needs to meet in regards to library repairs.**
- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Gene Haley reported the following:
 - 1. 10 Cross Street-zoning permit issued blacktop driveway**
 - 2. 26 Mechanic Street-complaint-tree branches overhanging sidewalk, branches were removed the same day.**
 - 3. 10 Mechanic Street-items piled in backyard storage area. Owner will clean up area and cover with tarp**
 - 4. 10 State Street-issued zoning permit to move entrance door and install steps and railing**
 - 5. 43 State Street-complaint-exit door to apartment was locked and the washer/dryer had been moved outside. Owner unlocked door and returned renters washer/dryer to inside of apartment**
 - 6. 55 Main Street-complaint-vehicle being repaired on sidewalk. Owner has been told no repair work allowed in the No parking area and walkway on side of the building.****
- C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-
Grant-tractor and mower. The Council reviewed and discussed the letter from DEP regarding our last Dike inspection being minimally acceptable. Maxine Smith was out of town and was participating by**

teleconference. The lowest PA State Bid Contract pricing was from Stephenson Equipment in the amount of \$ 68,152.86 for a John Deere Tractor and Tiger Boom Mower. The grant pays for 50 % of the cost. It was discussed that the sickle bar mower that we currently have is in need of repair again. It was suggested to also purchase a broom attachment for street sweeping and a blade to snowplow our streets.

Maxine Smith made a Motion to purchase the Tractor and Boom Mower from Stephenson Equipment with no extra equipment, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Melvin Davis, Marian Russell, Maxine Smith, Larry Barnes and Jack Young voting yes and Mildred Bliss and Gordon Chilson voting NO. The Motion carried 5 to 2. The teleconference call with Maxine Smith ended.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to buy the necessary equipment to attach to the new tractor to sweep the streets (power broom) and blade to snowplow the streets, with the expenses not to be more than \$ 25,000, seconded by Melvin Davis. A Roll Call Vote was taken with Melvin Davis, Larry Barnes, and Gordon Chilson voting yes, Marian Russell and Jack Young voting NO and Mildred Bliss abstained. The Motion carried 3 to 2. The Council agreed to look into grant money before purchasing the equipment.

D. Personnel and Appointment-The Council received a resignation letter (due to the fact she will be serving as a missionary in West Africa) from Dani Bowden as a planning commission member. Marian Russell made a Motion to accept Dani Bowden's resignation, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea. Jack Young asked the secretary to send a Thank You letter to Dani for serving on the planning commission.

Judy Kenyon stated that the Planning Commission would like to recommend that Marian Russell be appointed to the planning commission. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Marian Russell to the planning commission, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

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

Borough lot on State Street-Resolution # 347 The Council reviewed Resolution #347 authorizing the sale of a Borough owned lot (tennis court lot located on State Street) by Method of Advertising.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adopt Resolution #347, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

Appraisal-Before the tennis court lot can be advertised, an appraisal of the lot will be done and a survey may be needed.

The Ehrlich Spray quotes were discussed. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to turn over to the Dike and Street committee to review, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

NEW BUSINESS –

Bonding Roads/Streets-Council will discuss this matter with Solicitor.

Parks-Jack Young reported he spoke with the Boy Scouts Leader and they will help with raking leaves at the park.

State Street-Marian Russell reported that after it rains, there are big water puddles in front of the residences at 34 and 35 State Street, that are slow draining. The street committee will look into options to correct the problem.

The Borough owned lot on Mechanic Street has been advertised for sale by bids. The bids will be opened at the Council Meeting on June 7, 2010.

Visit Williamsport Larson Project-A tour of the facility has been scheduled for May 13, 2010. Some Council members and Authority members will be going.

We will be hosting the Association Dinner in June and it will be held on June 17th. It was suggested to contact Ed Trask to be our guest speaker with a topic regarding gas well drilling.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to have the solicitor take the necessary steps to prepare and advertise the amendment to the zoning ordinance, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

Mildred Bliss recommended the Council look into renting a Shredder Machine for the residents to use for one day.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM, seconded by Marian Russell.

Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary