

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
May 5, 2008**

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 & Janet Beach
Donna Blend
Judy Kenyon
Bill & Bev Shoup
Bob Blair
Tom Rotsell

Fern Deming
Bob Blake
Don Stewart
Crystal Stage
Atty Jeff Loomis
Theresa Lockhart

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the minutes of April 7, 2008, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-

Robert Blake asked about his Demolition application regarding the shed addition on the rear of the main structure at 14 Cowanesque St. The Council reviewed the application. Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the demolition application for the shed addition on the rear of the main structure, seconded by Gordon Chilson. All members voted yea.

Some comments from residents were as follows: 2 boys from Buffards trailer park were recklessly driving a lawn tractor down the street & through yards. The Code Enforcer and Buffards will be contacted.

Crystal Stage asked the Council about a dumpster for the ball field. The Council will look into the matter.

Tom Rotsell had questions about subdivision lot requirements. The Council asked him to submit his plans to the Borough Office. He may need to apply for a Variance.

Bob Blair from the Tioga County Development Corporation spoke about the County Abatement 5 year program. The Council would need to decide to adopt the program first and each company needs to get Council approval. Current companies can do expansion and modernize under this program. The program is to encourage economic development.

Attorney Jeff Loomis, Attorney for the Water Authority, stated that DCED had rejected the previous Ordinance #232, regarding the \$140,000 loan for improvements to the Municipal Water System. He presented the Council with a new Ordinance #233.

Jack Young made a Motion to Adopt Ordinance #233 approving and authorizing the execution and delivery of a Guaranty agreement between the Lawrenceville Borough Municipal Authority and the Borough of Lawrenceville, seconded by Ed Lockhart. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Attorney Jeff Loomis stated that the enactment of Ordinance #233 automatically rescinds Ordinance #232.

COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed. The Association Dinner will be held on May 15 at Liberty Borough.

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-Gordon Chilson made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 3,385.88 seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- Bryce Taft reported no problems.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library-No report.

B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer- Gene Haley was unable to attend the meeting and had submitted the following report:

- 1. 14 Cowanesque St-repairing porch-no permit required**
- 2. 18 Cowanesque St-unlicensed truck removed, still in violation of Property maintenance code, issued citation.**
- 3. 6 Franklin St-issued Church Festival permit for May 2,3, & 4**
- 4. 41 State St-issued fence permit**
- 5. 13 James St-opening enclosed porch-no permit required**

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Gordon Chilson reported that he had spoken with Hunt Engineers and the State Street Project bid package will be ready by August.

Gordon Chilson reported the price quotes he received on the following two paving projects.

Paving on phase II Ryon Circle-600 feet by 20 feet wide	
Airport Striping	\$ 10,370
Heysham Paving Co., Inc.	\$ 9,945
B & W Paving & Sealing	\$ 27,000
Mill Creek Paving & Excavating	\$ 17,800

Potholes patching of Downtown Borough Streets	
Heysham Paving Co., Inc.	\$ 2,500

Jack Young made a Motion to accept Heysham Paving Co., Inc., \$ 9,945 for the phase II of Ryon Circle, with a project completion date of 60 days, seconded by Ed Lockhart. A Roll call vote was taken will all members present voting yea.

Jack Young made a Motion to accept Heysham Paving Co., \$ 2,500 for pothole patching of Downtown Borough Streets (excluding State St), with a project completion date of 60 days, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Ed Lockhart stated he received information regarding pot hole patching demonstration and suggested we use it at a later date.

Street Sweeping-Jack Young made a Motion to spend \$ 1,000 on street sweeping and have it done soon, by the same company as last year, seconded by Gordon Chilson. All members present voted yea.

D. Building: Ed Lockhart reported the price quotes he received on paving of the Borough Office parking lot:

Airport Striping	\$ 18,920
Heysham Paving Co., Inc.	\$ 9,960
B & W Paving & Sealing	\$ 35,910
Mill Creek Paving & Excavating	\$ 24,950

Jack Young made a Motion to accept Heysham Paving Co., \$ 9,960 for paving of the Borough Office parking lot, with a project completion date of 60 days, seconded by Larry Barnes.

Executive Session

At 8:10 PM Marian Russell called a recess from the regular meeting to go into executive session to discuss Real Estate issues.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:31 PM.

E. Public Safety: None

F. Personnel and Appointment-There is one vacancy on the Borough planning commission. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to appoint Dan Smith to the Water Authority Board, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-Recodification-The Code Book review committee will continue working on this.

Reminder-Clean Up Day will be May 10 from 8 AM to 1 PM.

Flag Pole light-Matt Bakers office will be contacted.

Ball park lot survey-No word from Duane Wetmore, will contact him again.

H. NEW BUSINESS-

Mansfield Code Administration Agreement will automatically renew in July, if we do not notify them. The Council agreed to let the agreement automatically renew.

Gun Appraisal- Jack Young suggested that Jerry Guilds Gun's and Cooper's Sporting Goods be contacted for an appraisal. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to have Jack Young contact them, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

Jack Young reported that he was contacted by a business in the Borough inquiring about a new Welcome to Lawrenceville sign on Route 49 that would have spaces for Businesses to advertise.

The Council reviewed the permit application from Dandy Mart regarding a sign. The Council also discussed the Pizza-N-Go sign that is on the sidewalk. The Council will have Gene Haley review both of these.

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

Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary