

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
June 4, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

Jack Young called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order 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:

Walt Beach	Corey Mosher	Marty Burrows
Bev & Bill Shoup	Bill Dincher	Wayne Hopper
Megan Thistle	Martha Baker	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Marian Russell made a Motion to approve the minutes of May 7, 2012, seconded by Brad Hackett. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Bill Dincher read his monthly report. He reported he received a complaint about a new trailer in Buffard’s Riverside Estates Mobile Home Park. According to the Tioga County Planner the Mobile Home Park is governed under the County Regulations. It was determined that Riverside Estates is in compliance with the County Mobile Home Park Ordinance.

Bill Dincher commented that the use and zoning map needs to be updated. Marian Russell, Jack Young and Gordon Chilson will work on getting the map updated.

COMMUNICATIONS – The association dinner will be held June 28, 2012 at the Calvary United Methodist Church. The guest speaker will be Denny Colegrove from Emergency Services.

TREASURER’S REPORT- Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Marian Russell made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 16,217.12 seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR’S REPORT- Diana Barnes reported that the presence of the Police is helping people to slow down through the Borough. The Tioga Borough contacted us regarding

Police Coverage. Diana will contact Tioga Borough to discuss the possibility of sharing services. Diana reported about a unique program (Shop with a Cop) in which Police Officers share Christmas with children and families in the Tioga County area who are in need. Police Officers will volunteer their time and dedicate resources to help children and their families. Brad Hackett made a Motion to participate in the Shop with a Cop program, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library- none

B. Enforcement/Zoning Officer-

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes -

Dike inspection was performed on May 10, 2012. Brad Hackett reported that a lot of work needs to be done on the dike with material-big rocks and grass seed. Jack Young reported that the stump was removed. Woodchuck fumigation was performed on May 30th and the spraying is scheduled for June 11th.

James Street Project – Tim Steed is working on the advertisement for the project.

Gordon Chilson stated that there was an issue with the manhole cover that is on the Chilson Wilcox property that needs to be fixed. Walt Beach and Larry Barnes reported that it was already repaired and that the Water Authority needs access to the manhole. The Borough Council elected not to take any action on this issue.

D. Personnel and Appointment – none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Recodification-A question from the secretary meeting with Attorney Chris Lantz regarding the recodification was: Do you want a Noise ordinance with a Decibel Level? The Council discussed this and agreed that they did not. The Zoning Chapter needs to be redone, the districts and zoning map needs to be updated. Attorney Chris Lantz requested that two or three Council members meet with him and Jim Weaver (County Planner) regarding the zoning chapter and zoning map. Gordon Chilson, Marian Russell and Jack Young will work with Attorney Chris Lantz and Jim Weaver. The planning commission needs to work on the comprehensive plan.

FEMA-Levee Report regarding Flood Insurance Rate Map needs to be completed. Tim Steed from Hunt Engineers is working on a response to this.

Flood Plain Ordinance – Waiting for county to give us a deadline to adopt.

Sample Boarding House Ordinance –Council members had reviewed the sample and agreed this one did not fit our needs and asked the secretary to find another sample.

Cherry Street Park – The Council discussed the Davis plaque. Larry Barnes suggested the following wording: “Melvin Davis, Mr. Lawrenceville, born and died date, He loved this

town. He loved children.” Kris Davis will be contacted for the families input and Jack Young will contact Robert Kenyon on what type of plaque can be used.

Draft of TARM agreement – Council members discussed the agreement. Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the Draft of the TARM agreement, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea, except Gordon Chilson voted NO.

Draft Tax Abatement Ordinance – Council discussed the draft. Larry Barnes made a Motion to prepare to adopt the Ordinance with reference to commercial and industrial zoning districts, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Welcome to Lawrenceville Borough Signs –The Council discussed the \$ 800 quote received from Tom Allen. Brad Hackett made a Motion to hire Tom Allen, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea. Some color changes will be made to the sign. Marian Russell, Maxine Smith and Diana Barnes will work with Tom Allen on the changes.

Building improvements Borough Office – The Council discussed the revised quote of \$ 8,350 from Custom Building and Remodeling for the remodeling of the office basement. There was a question on the floor plan. Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the quote from Custom Building and Remodeling and to have the building committee decide on the floor plan, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Website suggestions – The Council agreed with the list of suggestions submitted by Martha Baker. A few other items they would like to see on the website are: links to other Lawrenceville businesses, Tioga County Offices, Williamson School, and information page of events and where to go for voting, licenses, etc.

NEW BUSINESS

Corey Mosher, Police Chief, read the police report. Corey reported that Taser training cartridges need to be purchased for Walt Beach to be certified to use the Taser. Diana Barnes suggested that Scott Shutt be on the books to have jurisdiction in the Borough. Corey stated he is officially on the books for Lawrence Township. The Council suggested that Lawrence Township be contacted about Scott Shutt.

Flowers for the Welcome Sign and 4 pots were donated by Hughes Greenhouse and planted by a community service worker. A thank you letter was sent to Hughes Greenhouse.

Non-Profit Corporation-Bylaws, conflict of interest policy- Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the Non-Profit Corporation Bylaws and conflict of interest policy, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

The Council discussed the letter regarding the storage buildings on the State Street property. There was not a variance issued. Larry Barnes made a Motion to have Cox, Stokes and Lantz; take legal action to defend the Borough on this issue, seconded by Marian Russell. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea.

Brad Hackett reported there was a problem with a culvert on the dike near Rotsell's restaurant.

Jack Young reported that the striping of the intersection will be done this week, weather permitting.

Marian Russell made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM, seconded by Brad Hackett.

Minutes reported by and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary

July 2, 2012 Council Meeting

Gordon Chilson requested a change on page two, section C of the June 4, 2012 minutes, the sentence should read Lou Chilson property not Chilson Wilcox property and the sentence Walt Beach and Larry Barnes reported that it was already repaired should read Walt Beach stated that it already had an 8 inch riser and couldn't be raised any higher. Marian Russell made a Motion to approve the minutes of June 4, 2012, with the corrections, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.