

**BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE
REGULAR MEETING
June 6, 2011**

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:

Marian Russell

Mildred Bliss

Maxine Smith

Gordon Chilson

Larry Barnes

Melvin Davis

Jack Young

Mayor:

Diana Barnes

Secretary:

Judy Woythal

Visitors:

Wayne Hopper

Bev & Bill Shoup

Attorney Chris Lantz

Walt Beach

Robert Blake

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Maxine Smith made a Motion to approve the minutes of May 2, 2011, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Robert Blake asked the Council the status of the industrial zoning change he requested on his property. Attorney Chris Lantz stated that the Lawrenceville Borough needs to complete their comprehensive zoning and update the zoning map. This will be a long process. The procedure to give the property a conditional use would be a quicker way and then eventually the zoning map could be changed. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to authorize the solicitors office to prepare and advertise a conditional use for Mr. Robert Blake’s property, per his application regarding 21 acres, seconded by Maxine Smith. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

Executive Session

At 7:22 PM Jack Young called a recess from the regular meeting to go into executive session to discuss legal matters.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:15 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS – The Association Dinner will be held at the Calvary United Methodist Church on June 23, 2011. The guest speaker will be Marilyn Bok and she will speak on the Community Foundation of Twin Tiers.

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 – Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$ 8,369.54, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR’S REPORT-Diana Barnes reported that some of the students wrote on vehicles for graduation and that some were not washable. She expressed her concern about the speed at which the vehicles travel through the Borough.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Library-Jack Young will continue to try to get a hold of Chilson’s for the repairs.

B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Jack Young asked the Council Members to look at the tree cutting on the dike performed by Robert Murray-Murray’s Tree Service. Payment will be made upon satisfaction of the job.

The 2 pine trees in the Cherry Street Park and the stumps need to be removed before the installation of the new playground equipment. Gordon Chilson will get a quote from Robert Murray and check with other Council Members before proceeding.

Ehrlich has submitted spray quotes and will be quoting on the woodchuck control on the dike. The 2010 levee inspection report has been received. The Dike committee needs to respond to the DEP letter regarding a schedule of maintenance items that need to be done. Two of the trees are on private property (Buffards Riverside Estates) and we have a letter from Elliott Buffard that states they will not be removed.

Maxine Smith reported she received compliments on the street sweeping that was done earlier this year.

D. Personnel and Appointment –none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

**Recodification – need to discuss with Solicitor before continuing
Water Puddles near 34 & 35 State Street – Tim Steed from Hunt Engineers has been contacted. He has looked at the issue and will get back to us with options.**

Garage Doors – The quote from Lowes for 2 garage doors plus installation was \$ 1, 174. Two garage doors at a price of \$ 468 were picked up from Home Depot by Gordon Chilson. The maintenance man will install the doors when the mowing season slows down.

Police Protection – Township – Council Members received a draft copy of a Joint Police Agreement – A workshop will be set up for Council Members to discuss the draft agreement.

Electric pricing – First Energy current pricing is 7.42 cent/kwh. Marian Russell will research pricing from other companies.

Tennis Court lot – The Council discussed the fence removal and selling of the lot. Marian Russell made a Motion to hold off on the Tennis Court area until after the new equipment in the Cherry Street Park is installed, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

NEW BUSINESS –

Letter from Larson Design regarding the softball field needs to be reviewed. Gordon Chilson will review the letter and submit any concerns to DEP.

Computer purchase-The secretary reported that she is having some issues with the office computer. The computer is 8 years old and we can apply to Northern Tier Regional Planning for grant funding. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to authorize the secretary to shop around for a new computer and put the old computer in the library, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

REMINDER-Flood Plain Ordinance Draft is in the Borough Office and Council members need to review.

Mile Long Sale July 8th and July 9th - Larry Barnes made a Motion to allow parking on the Borough streets on July 8th and July 9th, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea.

DGK insurance agent Jeff Kyle will be at the Borough Office on June 22nd at 4:00 PM to review our policy.

Potholes near Kwik Fill- Penn Dot only responsible to fog line. The Water Authority had a problem last year with a water line and dug up the area. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to send a letter to the Water Authority to saw the blacktop out and repair the blacktop according to Penn Dot specs, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

Zoning Amendment-Larson Design TARM project-The Public Hearing that was scheduled for June 28, 2011 has been cancelled. The Council reviewed

another draft Zoning Ordinance regarding the TARM project. Larry Barnes made a Motion to authorize the solicitor to advertise for the public hearing regarding Larson Design TARM project in the Corning Leader and to schedule the hearing at 7:00 PM, not on a Holiday, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea, except Gordon Chilson voted NO.

Church functions- Lynn Warso contacted the Borough Office for permission from the Council regarding the following: closing Franklin Street from Academy Street to State Street for a party and foot races on July 23, 2011 from 5 pm to 7 pm and hold a movie this summer outside in the Church parking area. The date for the Christmas Parade has been set for Saturday December 3, 2011.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to allow the closing of Franklin Street from Academy Street to State Street and to use the road closed signs, the Church will be responsible for picking up and returning the signs, seconded by Marian Russell. All members present voted yea. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to give the Church approval to hold an outdoor movie from dusk to midnight on a given day this summer, seconded by Maxine Smith. All members present voted yea.

Update on the Cherry Street Park Project – The secretary reported that paperwork was resubmitted to DCNR for final approval. The budget for the project is \$ 65,487 with Borough funds of \$ 10,128. Letters have been sent to local businesses for donations towards our project and so far we have received \$1,650. Once we receive the final approval from DCNR we will be able to proceed with the project.

Gordon Chilson submitted to the Council pictures of the James Street project, pictures of water puddle problems in the Borough and pictures of the area of water withdrawal of the TARM project.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 PM, seconded by Marian Russell.

Minutes recorded by and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary

July 5, 2011 meeting

Marian Russell requested a correction be made to the minutes. The sentence that reads a workshop will be set up for Council Members to discuss the draft agreement, should read Police Committee Members not Council Members. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to approve the minutes of June 6, 2011 with the change, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.