# BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE REGULAR MEETING April 4, 2016

#### CALL TO ORDER

Larry Barnes called to order the Regular meeting for the Lawrenceville Borough Council at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Council Members: Mayor:

Jack Young, President (arrived Marian Russell, Diana Barnes-ABSENT

at 7:15)

Larry Barnes, Vice President Diana McCullough

Judy Kenyon-ABSENT Mansel O'Dell Secretary:

Maxine Smith Jill Hall

**Police Department:** 

Chief Robert Gee-ABSENT

#### **Visitors:**

Bev Shoup	George Six	Dawn Warriner	
Bill Shoup	Koleen Short	Harold Six	
Trudy Hersman	Erica Rotsell-Buchanan	Lee Strange	
Brad Hackett	Aaron Stephens		

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Marian made a motion to approve the minutes dated March 15, 2016, as presented. Maxine seconded the motion. All present members were in favor.

#### **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:**

- ➤ Harold Six mentioned that many residents were unhappy regarding the colors chosen to paint the renovated fire hall. Lee Strange explained that the fire department met and voted on the color and the majority ruled.
- Erica Buchanan requested that lines be painted in the parking lot of the Cinderella parking lot to encourage better usage of the space. There seemed to be no issue with this. Erica also discussed the need to have the water line repaired at the ball field so the water could be turned on so the public can utilize the field. Erica will call PA ONEcall and arrange for an excavator to dig up the lines to see what is causing the current leak. And Erica indicated that at this time, the Cinderella league is willing to pay for all the expenses associated with finding and repairing the leak because the league is commencing and it is imperative that the league have water. This will be coordinated with the Authority. Dawn Warriner told Erica that a permit would need to be issued for the excavation process.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No discussion—Jack mentioned the webinars for Code Enforcement to Dawn and said that the Borough would pay for her to view the webinars to help with her training.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** No discussion. Diana moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Marian seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was as follows: Larry Barnes-Y, Marian Russell-Y, Maxine Smith-Y, Mansel O'Dell-Y, Diana McCullough-Y, and Jack Young-Y.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Marian moved to pay \$5,064.59 due in bills. Maxine seconded the motion and all present members were in favor. A roll call vote was taken and the vote was as follows: Larry Barnes-Y, Marian Russell-Y, Maxine Smith-Y, Mansel O'Dell-Y, Diana McCullough-Y, and Jack Young-Y.

**MAYOR'S REPORT: - NONE** 

**POLICE REPORT: - NONE** 

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: See Attached

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **A. Library:** It was announced that the Library received \$1,300 from the Kreiger foundation for 3 bookcases and for their story hour.
- **B.** Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer: See attached. Dawn also requested that a committee be formed to review the Borough ordinances. Many of the ordinances need updating and she would like to have a set of specific rules set forth to follow when issuing permits.
- C. Public Works/Streets and Dikes: Public Works/Parks & Recreation: None

### PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENT:

It was announced that four planning commission members were still needed.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- ➤ The Time Warner franchise agreement will be up for renewal in January 2017.
- Replacing the sodium lights with LED lights is moving forward. Replacing lights on Ryon Circle is the second phase of the project and then State and James Street will be the third and final stage.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Mansell noticed that the Borough building at the ballfield is in disrepair. Larry said he will follow up with this.
- TCAB is requesting all Boroughs to vote against House Bill 340—(a bill requiring executive sessions to be recorded, requiring Boroughs to obtain legal opinions prior to entering executive sessions, further restricting the discussion of confidential personnel issues).
- ➤ How long are the Christmas lights going to stay up? Brad and Larry will get together to discuss bringing them down.
- ➤ It has been discovered that for many years at the sewer plant in Lawrenceville, it appears that waste flowing to the sewer plant was bypassed by the meter in order to present flow rates at reasonable level so the sewer plant would not appear to be over capacity. This has prompted the Authority board to alert the Lawrenceville Board members that new and additional sewer lines to the current sewer system may not be allowed by the DEP.
- ➤ Eddie Wetzel has purchased 1.87 acres in the Borough of Lawrenceville and would like to place two homes onto the property. Due to the aforementioned sewer plant issues and the fact Mr. Wetzel was not in attendance, this issue was tabled.
- Maxine gave TNR information for Koleen Short from Paradise Animal Haven in Woodhull, NY.

**ADJOURN:** Diana M made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm and Maxine seconded the motion. All members were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted: Jill S. Hall, Borough of Lawrenceville Secretary