BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE REGULAR MEETING March 5, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

President Marian Russell called the Regular Meeting of the Lawrenceville Borough Council to order at 7:02 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members: Mayor: Ed Lockhart Absent

Mildred Bliss

Melvin Davis Secretary
Marian Russell Judy Woythal

Gordon Chilson

Brad Robinson-Absent

Larry Barnes

Visitors:

Gene Haley
Mike Gee
Walt Beach
Pam Achey
Donna Blend
Crystal Stage
Roxanne Pondo
Walt Beach
Les Achey
Erika Moises
Rob Bathrick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2007, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-Crystal Stage requested use of the ball field for Cinderella this year. Mildred Bliss made a Motion to allow the Cinderella teams to use the ball field this year, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.

Crystal Stage stated that money has been collected to erect a Memorial for Tasha Woodard. Crystal asked the Council for permission to build a pavilion at the ball field for the Memorial. The Council asked her to complete a building application and the permit fee would be waived.

Mike Gee spoke regarding the Lawrenceville Little League in Tioga. Mike asked for a donation to help with the cost of mowing the 4 ball fields. The Council stated that they are on a tight budget and requests should be submitted during budget time. The Council will discuss this matter later.

The Council answered questions from the public regarding money for street repair, the police car, and snow removal complaints regarding the corner of Mechanic St. and Main St.

COMMUNICATIONS were reviewed. The Association meeting will be held at the Blossburg Fire & Ambulance Building, 324 Main St, Blossburg on March 22, 2007.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Larry Barnes made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 5,065.33, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea. Walt Beach stated he has another court appearance in March and will submit a bill.

MAYOR'S REPORT No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Library-No report.
- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer-Gene Haley reported the following:
- 1. 5 Cowanesque St –unlicensed vehicle removed-now in compliance
- 2. 3 Ryon Circle-3 visits to verify location of house-recommend include current plot plan to application and recommends approval of zoning permit

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to accept the current plot plan and approve a zoning permit for 3 Ryon Circle, seconded by Larry Barnes. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yea. Gene Haley will contact Shawn Forrest from Mansfield regarding the approval.

The Council discussed a NO Dumping sign for the Heysham property. The sign will read No Dumping per Boro Ord #147 and attached to the guardrail.

- 3. A permit was issued to Dave Loveland regarding the 82nd Airborne sign
- C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Gordon Chilson reported that Tim from Hunt Engineers is checking with Blossburg on material bond for the State Street project. It would save us money if a material bond was not part of the bid. Tentative date to open bids is April 2, 2007.

Gordon Chilson reported he met with Randy Heysham in getting a rough price (to see how far our money will go) for paving on the following:

The rough price for 1/10 of a mile on Ryon Circle is \$7200 which includes the labor and a state contract price for blacktop. The office parking lot was a rough price of \$7800. Also suggested a band aid fix for the corner of Cherry St. and James St. and a rough price of \$800, if you do it along with the other paying.

Research will be done on the state bid contract for paving material.

Gordon Chilson reported that some street signs, that were needed, were ordered free of charge from the Emergency Services.

- D. Building: The Building Committee will meet to discuss the removal of the trees from the ball field, the Borough parking lot and the paving to be done.
- E. Public Safety: Fire- The Council reported that warning letters regarding snow removal on sidewalks were sent and one property was plowed by the Borough and a bill was sent.
- F. Personnel and Appointment- Marian Russell read a letter of resignation from Marie Horsfield stating that she is resigning from the Planning Commission.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to accept Marie Horsfield's resignation, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea. There are 2 vacancies on the planning commission and 1 vacancy on the Lower Tioga River Valley Planning Commission that need to be filled.

G. Unfinished Business- The Council discussed Recodification and Mildred Bliss, Bryce Taft, Marian Russell and Larry Barnes will work on it. General Code will be contacted to receive a CD with the information they currently have regarding the Recodification.

The Council reviewed the proposed Resolution # 336 in regards to approving the execution and delivery of loan documents to guarantee the \$100,000.00 loan of the Lawrenceville Borough Authority.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to adopt Resolution #336, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

The Council discussed the website and agreed that the Website should be updated. Ed Lockhart made a Motion go ahead with updating the Website with PSAB, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

Marian Russell stated that the speaker at our June association meeting will be from PSAB and talk about their website services.

Gordon Chilson stated that the solicitor was working on the amendment to our sign ordinance to require monument size signs. He asked the Council to review the information when it comes in. It was reported that Dandy Mart-Williams Oil was notified to post the Notice to the Public, regarding the public hearing on May 7, 2007 at 6:30 PM, to change the zoning from residential to commercial of 67 Main Street.

The Council discussed a letter from the Sexual Offenders Assessment Board asking if we had or were considering an Ordinance restricting a sex offender's residency. The Council stated NO.

H. New Business-Howard Deming of PPL Gas had contacted the Borough regarding if a permit was needed for holes that needed to be drilled across Weaver Street and Ryon Circle for testing. The Council stated no permit was needed and they do not have a problem with it.

The Council discussed the request from Nick Southard to work at the Borough for his 40 hours of Community Service for his Senior Project for Williamson High School. The Council stated that there would be work for him in the warmer weather, such as painting, installing fence, etc.

The Council reviewed another application from Rich Mosher in regards to putting up two garages on his State Street property for personal use. The Council questioned the distance from the back property line and the distance between the two buildings complying with fire code. The Council referred this to Gene Haley for his recommendation.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM, seconded by Mildred Bliss.

Minutes recorded and printed by: Judy Woythal, Secretary