# BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE REGULAR MEETING October 6, 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: Mayor: Ed Lockhart Bryce Taft

Mildred Bliss Marian Russell

Gordon Chilson Secretary: Larry Barnes Judy Woythal

**Melvin Davis** 

Jack Young-absent

Visitors:

Walt & Janet Beach
Marty Burrows
Donna Blend
Wayne Hopper
Theresa Lockhart

Gene Haley Bill Cook

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Barnes made a Motion to approve the minutes of September 2, September 10, September 29, and October 1, 2008, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS-Theresa Lockhart, Planning Commission President, reported that the Planning Commission voted to approve the plans submitted by Robert Blake regarding rezoning his property at 14 Cowanesque Street for the proposed restaurant/bed & breakfast. Theresa also stated that the Planning Commission is working on the newsletter.

# **COMMUNICATIONS** were reviewed.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Larry Barnes made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

PAYMENT OF BILLS- Mildred Bliss made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 5,847.06, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

MAYOR'S REPORT- Bryce Taft received complaints on the holes on State Street.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Library- Another light needs to be repaired.

- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer-Gene Haley reported the following:
  - 1. 55 Main St-parking & blocking sidewalk-gave warning
  - 2. Dandy Mart-Main St-signs blocking view-gave notice to remove
  - 3. Dandy Mart-Main St-inspected new sign-in compliance
  - 4. 55 Main St-another complaint-parking on sidewalk

The Council discussed updating the Property Maintenance Code to a newer version (2003) and asked Gene Haley for his input. We are currently using a 1981 version. The swimming pool requirements need to be updated. The Council could not come to an agreement on updating to the new (2003) version. The subject was tabled.

The Council discussed the letter from Attorney Osmond regarding the Mosher State Street property. The building does not comply with the building codes and has not been corrected.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to contact Shawn Forest to reinspect and make a requirement list for the Mosher property to comply with the Building and Zoning codes and to send a letter to Attorney Barrett, seconded by Mildred Bliss. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea, except Larry Barnes abstained due to a conflict of interest.

C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-Gordon Chilson read the price quotes on Anti-skid. 4 loads are needed this year. The quotes were as follows:

Glenn O Hawbaker, Inc. \$ 15.38 per ton delivered Ed Penner & Son Trucking \$ 13.95 per ton delivered

Larry Barnes made a Motion to purchase 4 loads of Anti-Skid from Ed Penner & Son Trucking (\$13.95) per ton to be dumped at Deats, seconded by Ed Lockhart. All members present voted yea.

Gordon Chilson read the price quotes received on repairing 16 laterals on State Street. The quotes were as follows:

Fay Asphalt Pavning Inc.-Scott Fay \$ 8,200.00 Fisher Construction-Jody Fisher \$ 7,400.00 Mill Creek Paving-no quote-schedule is full for rest of year

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to hire Fisher Construction to do the 16 laterals for \$ 7,400, plus three additional larger laterals and giving the street committee the authority to negotiate the price of the three additional laterals, seconded by Melvin Davis. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voting yea.

The Council discussed the problems with ground hogs on the dike. The dike committee will look into smoke bombs to handle the problem.

- D. Building: No report
- E. Public Safety: No report.
- F. Personnel and Appointment: Mildred Bliss made a Motion to appoint Lynn Warso to the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

#### G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

Recodification-Council will review correction list. A work session will be scheduled for any Council members that have questions.

The Council discussed the zoning application of Robert Blake regarding 14 Cowanesque Street and changing the zoning to Commercial for use as a restaurant/bed & breakfast. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to approve the zoning application for Robert Blake for the old Merritt House (14 Cowanesque St) and 2 acres facing Rt 49, Cowanesque St., seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

H. NEW BUSINESS- The Council stated that Halloween will be observed on Friday, October 31, 2008 from 6 PM to 8 PM.

The Council discussed the noise from trucks using Jake brakes on the new Route 15. The street committee will look into this.

Steuben County, NY Public Works will be holding a meeting at the Lawrenceville Fire Hall on October 29, 2008, in regards to the replacement of the US 15 Bridge over the Cowanesque River.

Marian Russell announced the passing of PSAB President Don Carman of Elkland. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to contact Rainbow Rose to send flowers (in the amount of \$60) to the funeral services of Don Carman, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

The Council reviewed the letter from the Borough of Tioga regarding a request for a donation for the maintenance of the Community Swimming Pool. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to send a letter to Tioga Borough stating the Council will look into this at budget time, seconded by Larry Barnes. A Roll Call Vote was taken with all members present voted yea.

The Council discussed the Brundage property at 51 B Main Street and items that need to be taken care of within 30 days. The Council requested a letter be sent to Leigh Brundage to take care of the following: remove the sign, remove the soda machine, remove the concrete sidewalk at the back of the property and bring more fill in.

Ed Lockhart made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM, seconded by Mildred Bliss. Minutes recorded and printed by Judy Woythal, Secretary