# BOROUGH OF LAWRENCEVILLE REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

## **CALL TO ORDER**

President 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: Chief of Police: Ed Lockhart-Absent Walter Beach

Mildred Bliss

Melvin Davis Mayor:
Marian Russell Bryce Taft

**Gordon Chilson** 

Brad Robinson-Absent Secretary: Larry Barnes Judy Woythal

**Visitors:** 

Fern Deming Gene Haley
Virginia Whitney Mansel O'dell
Tom Rotsell Jim Gleason Jr.
Janet Beach Kristi Gleason

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to approve the minutes of August 7, 2006, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

# **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

Kristi & Jim Gleason, Jr. expressed their concern about the storage units being built on State Street in the residential area. The Council stated the owner would need to apply for rezoning and no application has been received for rezoning.

Tom Rotsell asked the Council if they were going to mow the North side of the State Street Dike. The Dike committee will look at it.

The Council discussed a letter from NAPA regarding they did not want to pay for their banner. Brad Robinson & Gordon Chilson will handle taking the banner down and removing their name.

The Council discussed the ball field and stated that since the ball game season is over, the water should be shut off and the concession stand cleaned out.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

Association Dinner will be held at the Borough of Knoxville on September 21.

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

## PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mildred Bliss made a Motion to pay the bills totaling \$ 6,280.32, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

## MAYOR'S REPORT

Bryce Taft read the police report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Library-No Report.
- B. Building Enforcement/Zoning Officer-

Gene Haley reported the following: 1. he received a copy of the response letter from Mr. & Mrs. Delia regarding the lighting issue. Gene Haley stated that his decision is that Chilson/Wilcox is not in violation. 2. 48 Main Street has been condemned in accordance with the property maintenance manual. Gene received a phone call from a new owner wanting permission to enter the building. The new owner will need to supply proof of ownership before permission can be given. 3. Gene also reported that the fire damaged trailer at 24 Buffards has been sold and he was contacted by the new owner.

#### C. Public Works: Streets and Dikes-

Gordon Chilson reported that information was received regarding the State Street Grant. The street committee will set the bid opening date and give the Secretary the information needed to advertise.

The Council discussed cinders for the winter and asked the secretary to call Ed Penner and order 2 loads of cinders.

D. Building-The Council discussed the paving of the office parking lot. The Council discussed removing the trees & brush on the Robinson property line.

Gordon Chilson made a Motion to bid out this fall, the tree and brush removal on the property line and the sidewalk repair and wait until next spring to bid out for a larger area of the office parking lot to be paved, seconded by Larry Barnes. All members present voted yea.

- E. Public Safety: Fire and Police -None
- F. Personnel and Appointment- A member for the Lower Tioga River Valley Planning Commission is still needed.
- G. Unfinished Business- Reminder NIMS training & certification deadline is September 30, 2006. A self-study course can be taken on-line.

The Council discussed the Roadway Lighting Reimbursement Agreement between the Lawrenceville Borough and the County Commissioners. There was some concern that there was no dollar amount stated in the agreement. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to accept the Roadway Lighting Reimbursement Agreement, seconded by Larry Barnes. A roll call vote was taken with Larry Barnes, Melvin Davis, Gordon Chilson and Mildred Bliss voting YES, and Marian Russell voted NO.

The Council discussed the sign at the office. Larry Barnes will check with the Water Authority to see if they will pay for part of the sign.

The Council discussed the annual traffic light maintenance. Gordon Chilson made a Motion to contact Roger Sherman for a price on traffic light maintenance, seconded by Melvin Davis. All members present voted yea.

## H. New Business-

The Council discussed a request from the Lions Club regarding 4 chains for the baby swings. The Council stated that they did not have any extra chains for the swings, to go ahead and replace a regular swing with a baby swing.

Gordon Chilson stated that Northwest bank had a problem with the bill they received on the postcards, because they are not a retailer. The Council stated they would allow Northwest Bank to pay on the bill as postcards were sold.

Marian Russell stated that there is a problem with some of the banners being too low and getting hit by trucks on Route 15. It was suggested to raise the banners or move them to a different street. Gordon Chilson will handle this.

Budget worksheets were handed out to the Council members to submit back to the secretary before the next meeting.

The Council discussed the flood insurance quote from DGK insurance. A roll call vote was taken to see who was interested in flood insurance for the Borough Office. All members present voted No. A roll call vote was taken to see who was interested in flood insurance for the Library. Larry Barnes, Melvin Davis, Mildred Bliss and Marian Russell voted No and Gordon Chilson voted Yes.

Mildred Bliss made a Motion: Do Not take flood insurance for the Library or the Borough Office, seconded by Larry Barnes. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting yes to NOT TAKING flood insurance.

Larry Barnes made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM, seconded by Mildred Bliss. All members present voted yea.

Minutes recorded and printed by: Judy Woythal, Secretary