

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 6, 2009

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on October 6, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Foulkrod, Councilman Patterson and Councilwoman Campbell. Councilman Stefano was absent. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony, Zoning Officer Carcella and Solicitor Paul Burroughs. Visitor was Christy Reed.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Foulkrod, to approve the Agenda as presented.

APPROVAL Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Foulkrod, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the monthly Council Meeting of September 15, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT Manager Anthony stated the balance of the bank accounts are not reflective of accounts closed at PNC Bank and transferred to Northwest Savings. All PNC accounts will be closed as of October 7, 2009, thus positive balances will be attained. There was a discrepancy in the payroll deductions; although all the payroll checks were correct in amounts, ADP withdrew the amounts from the wrong funds for said payroll.

The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #12491-12546 and manual check #11460, Water Fund checks #4640-4656 and manual check #4637 and #4005, Sewer Fund #5686-5703 and manual check #4707 and #5682, CDBG checks #570-575 and payroll checks #10000032, 10000141-10000142, #995465-995475. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Foulkrod, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

The Road Crew has been busy preparing the equipment for the winter onslaught. The updated snowplow for the Chevy 5500 should arrive by November and all trucks are receiving a thorough inspection. One truck will be stored at the Sewage Plant so that the Water & Sewer Operators can plow out their areas on their own. This will free up the normal plow crew and also provide an extra operator in emergency situations. The boom mower has been mounted and the mowing of the Township's berms will continue until the snow flies. The crew assisted at the Sewer Plant to remove unwanted piping and connections. The chlorine contact tank was removed and hauled away for scrap. Plans for the future location of the Parks Department are being made for the empty space this change over will create.

We have been contacted by Venango Township concerning the sale of the large tanks that were purchased several years ago to handle our sewage flows. We paid \$5,000 for the both of them. They are interested in using them for brine storage. I suggested they make an offer to Council for both of them.

It is hoped that the sludge press can be advertised for bid in the near future as well. We have contacted a vendor in Cleveland, OH to see if there is any interest in them. The press building can have a portion of it converted into an office space as it is in much better shape than the old building and does not flood in high water situations. We had CREW from the prison program, rehabilitate the roof a couple of years ago.

The Water Department had a hit on Metho-chlorides in the water, but it was found that the sample had been contaminated from an outside source. Retesting resulted in excellent readings far below the limits provided by the Health Department. It is believed that this resulted from contaminates from the painting of fire hydrants and then taking the required test before safeguarding the testing equipment. Again, no problems were noted in the retesting.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: a letter from Tom Graney notifying the Township that GCCA is downsizing, and a letter from General McLane School District requesting a school bus stop sign on Old State Road.

It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Patterson, to seek permission from PennDot to approve a bus stop ahead sign for Old State Road as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella presented the Showman subdivision re-plot #5-09 and the monthly Building Report. It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve the Showman subdivision re-plot as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT Solicitor Burroughs had nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the September 22, 2009 Meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Manager Anthony presented the Minutes of the August 27, 2009 Meeting and notification of the upcoming Convention at Nick's Place on October 22, 2009. Councilmen Glass and Stefano and Councilwoman Campbell will attend.

EDINBORO VFD No Meeting.

WATER AUTHORITY Councilman Patterson presented the Minutes of the September 17, 2009 Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION No report.

EDINBORO LIAISON Councilwoman Campbell gave a verbal report of the Borough's last Meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. No meeting.

VETS PARK No Meeting.

ERIE CO. TAX CONSOL. COMM. Vice-Mayor Foulkrod informed Council of the Committee's budget and the cost for Washington Township will be approximately \$122.00. The next meeting is scheduled for October 13th, 2009.

OLD BUSINESS

GRASS ORD. SAMPLES Manager Anthony presented copies of sample ordinances for addressing high grass. No action was taken.

CDBG 2009 Manager Anthony informed Council of receipt of \$102,714.00 in CDBG funds and concerns for future participation in the CDBG Program. Vice-Mayor Foulkrod asked about the progress of a housing rehabilitation project on Old State Road. The Environmental Review won't be completed until November 5th and nothing can proceed until then. Quotes are being obtained for the relocation of utilities from the existing home to the mobile home site.

GENERATOR BID AWARD Manager Anthony presented the winning bid received for the 25KW generator from Steven Gavura in the amount of \$700.00. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Glass, to award the bid as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.** The generator was sold via the online Municibid Program.

PERRY LANE BRIDGE UPDATE Manager Anthony presented a construction timeline for the Perry Lane Bridge project. No action was required. Completion is set for June, 2010, but could be sooner if PennDot allows paving later in November of 2009.

GM WATER/ SEWER AGREE. Manager Anthony presented the Water and Sewer Agreements with General McLane School District for Washington Township Water/ Sewer Operators to tend the School District's systems. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Patterson, to approve the agreements as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.** Both entities agreed to a rollover agreement instead of a yearly agreement approval.

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SNOWPLOWING AGREEMENT Manager Anthony presented the 2009-2010 Snowplowing Agreement with Franklin Township for Council's review. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Patterson, to approve the Agreement as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS None.

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Patterson, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:05 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**

