

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 4, 2015

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on November 4, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilmen Pernisek, and Patterson and Councilwoman Campbell. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Willow. Visitors were Steven O'Neill and Ken Meyer.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Pernisek, to approve the Agenda as presented.
APPROVAL Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Feikles, second by Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of October 20, 2015, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #16202-16245 and manual check #16082, Water Fund #5509-5519, Sewer Fund #7707-7019, State Fund check #2068, Developer's Fund check #1075, and payroll checks #15636-15646, (Water) 10029 and (Sewer) 10068-10069. It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Pernisek, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

We are pleased to report that the Dirt and Gravel Roads Project on Plank and Conneautee Roads has been completed. This has been a lengthy process and our crew has done a great job of preparing the road for this final step in the improvement. As with all of our roads, we will review the condition after the winter season and determine if any further action needed. This may be a candidate for tar and chip or even asphalt millings. As we always say, it depends on what Mother Nature bestows upon us before we make any final decisions. All of the Road Crew is back in better health and we are continuing with our roadside mowing with the extended boom mower. We are hauling antiskid and beginning the preparation to once again to battle the winter elements. The Lakeside area will have a new driver this year, but we are confident that he is more than capable to handle the responsibility and with coaching from our experienced drivers, he will be well prepared for the onslaught. This is our most densely populated area and inevitably this area produces the most concerns about plowing due to its narrow roads and traffic.

The Sewer Department has nearly finished the small building that houses the control panel for the main pump operations. We have been plagued in the past with temperatures that were either too cold or far too warm that has caused minor malfunctions with those controls. The building was part of a swap we made with the General McLane School District in exchange for some antiskid in 2014. It appears that it is an excellent addition will hopefully solve this long-standing problem. Mr. Robinson will be testing for his license to oversee the lift stations of our system in November. Once successful he will be requested to obtain his operational license in order to have full oversight of the Kline Road Treatment System.

Other than some minor value operational problems at the Water Plant, all appears to be operating well. Now that the long-standing leak has been located, the system works well again. We anticipate the old chemical waste site operated by the DEP to upgrade the lateral line sometime in 2017.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: A letter from Erie County concerning the County's purchase of a new public safety radio system including an agreement for Council's consideration. It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Patterson, to table the agreement until the next meeting when the EMA and the Fire Department's comments could be considered. Motion carried unanimously.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow had no subdivisions but presented the monthly Building Report.

SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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PLANNING COMMISSION Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the October 27, 2015 Meeting. The Planning Commission has made recommendations for resource extraction, driveways and off-street parking. A Discussion ensued concerning the legality of resource extraction recommendations. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to have Solicitor Burroughs review and comment on said resource extraction recommendations. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ECATO Minutes were unavailable.

ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Meeting was postponed until the State's budget crisis is resolved.

VETERAN PARK COMM. Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of September 8, 2015 Meeting. Manager Anthony updated Council on the Committee's intent to acquire military equipment for display at the Park. The TACOM reserve for declassified military equipment does not have any available at this time, but informed manager Anthony of the costs and requirements to have said equipment as a permanent display for the Park. The Committee is still reviewing their options and have not made a decision about what type of display they want for the Park.

EMA Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the October 2, 2015 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

RECYCLING UPDATE Manager Anthony presented a copy of the Erie County's Recycling Agreement with Waste Management concerning recyclables pick up. The new agreement states the waste hauler is responsible clean up at the drop off centers. Erie County Recycling is considering placing a new style of bins at Washington Township that could curb trash disposal. No action required.

2016 BUDGET Manager Anthony informed Council he has made the proposed changes to the budget and it is ready to be advertised for public comment. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Glass, to advertise for public comment, then possible adoption at the December 15, 2015 Council Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION Council convened in Executive Session at 7:50 P.M. to discuss possible litigation under the advice of Solicitor Burroughs. Council re-convened in regular session at 8:10 P.M. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, that Mr. Brace must complete a deed change to state her home is located within the floodplain. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS None.

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, seconded by Glass, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:12 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**