

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – MARCH 3, 2015

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on March 3, 2015 at 7:43 P.M.

**ORDER** at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412.

Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilmen Pernisek, and Patterson. Councilwoman Campbell was absent. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Willow. Visitors were Kathy Pernisek, Daryl Parker, Trish Parker, Shawn Wills, Lance Lehr, Aaron Gast, Bill Correll, Todd Benedict, Susan Reiter, Judi Gardner, Chuck Gardner, MaryAnne Strand, Jeff Craft, Ardell Hess, Jessica Strand, Justin Carter, Chad Gustafson, Stephanie Gelik, James Strand, Sara Strand, Norris Pace, Robert Glenn, James Bright, Corey Blood, Kyle Bogle, Eric Huff, Jeremy Gabriel, Kari Cliff and Andrew Robinson.

**AGENDA APPROVAL** **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Agenda with the move up of 11A after Secretary's Report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**COUNCIL MINUTES** **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of February 17, 2015. **Abstaining** was Glass. **Motion carried.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #15756-15796 and manual check #15695, Water Fund #5413-5420, Sewer Fund #6870-6881, payroll checks #15481-15490 (Water) 10021 and (Sewer) 10045. **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, seconded by Pernisek, to approve all the checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** Manager Anthony presented following report:

This past February has proven to be an extremely frigid one for our area. Regular below zero temperatures are not only hard on our roads as frost is driven in deep, but the cold makes steel on our equipment brittle and subject to breakage. The old Ford single axle had rear suspension problems, but that turned out to be an easier fix than anticipated. But unfortunately, it revealed a much more serious problem with the scissors lift for the dump box. The main pin that holds this in place and provides the pivot point for the dump process had cracked in two places. After a lot of research and garage work, the final answer was that it was too far gone to repair cost effectively. Good work by our crew located one from the original manufacturer in Somerset, PA. We were able to purchase the unit and install it ourselves for far less than we thought.

As you hear us preach each year, we can only hope that the frost comes out slowly to minimize the damage to our roads. March 1st is the beginning of the weight limit season which extends until May 15. As soon as possible roads will be posted accordingly.

Now the General McLane School District is officially a customer of public sewer system, we sent information to those that must hook up to the newly installed pressurized pipeline. This information included a list of contractors that attended the informational class on proper installation of E-One systems. It should be clearly understood that no one is required to use any of those contractors; we merely provided it as a courtesy. We strongly recommend using someone with knowledge of the process but cannot force that issue, as installation is the responsibility of the homeowner and the inspected by the Township. A revised typical installation drawing was also sent with the mailing. Remember, those that must hook up are required to do so by June 15<sup>th</sup> of this year in order to take advantage of all the offers Council has given for this project.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Manager Anthony presented a letter concerning the upcoming Firemen's Dinner on April 29, 2015; a letter concerning the Liquid Fuels monitoring; and receipt of the Liquid Fuels allocation in the total amount of \$224,692.24. No action required.

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

**SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT** No report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PLANNING COMMISSION** Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the February 24, 2015 Meeting.

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**ZONING HEARING BOARD** No Meeting.

**ECATO** Councilwoman Campbell was absent; Manager Anthony presented the Minutes of the January 22, 2015 Meeting.

**ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION** Minutes were unavailable.

**VERTERAN PARK COMM.** No Meeting.

**EMA** Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the February 6, 2015 Meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS

**RES. #5-15 LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER** It was voted on motion by Pernisek, seconded by Patterson, to approve the transfer of a liquor license for the Edinboro Volunteer Fire Department for a proposed social club within Washington Township. Motion carried unanimously.

**EMTA UPDATE** Manager Anthony contacted the EMTA as directed by Council to find out about the \$200,000 pass-through funds for the EMTA bus service for Edinboro University. The EMTA does not have any riders or stops within Washington Township. Manager Anthony informed Council he is awaiting a reply from the EMTA concerning their contact with the Borough of Edinboro to be the pass-through in the future.

**BORO SEWER PAYMENT UPDATE** Manager Anthony presented a copy of a recent monthly invoice for sewage treatment from the Borough of Edinboro for treatment of the Township's sewage. Manager Anthony explained the decrease in billing is partially due to the Sewage Treatment Plant Operator's diligence in finding inflow and infiltration and correction of said situations.

### NEW BUSINESS

**REPOSITORY SALE** Manager Anthony presented a tax repository request from Joseph Dorn for the purchase of a mobile home located at 87 Penn Drive, Edinboro, PA 16412 in the amount of \$250.00. It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve said sale as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**2015 TAX DUPLICATE** It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Patterson, to approve the 2015 Tax Duplicate as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORD. #1-15 PMRS PENSION AMENDMENT** It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Pernisek, to approve advertising for public hearing for proposed Ordinance #1-15, the PMRS Pension amendments, during the April 7, 2015 Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**VISITORS** None.

**ADJOURNMENT** It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:07 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.