

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – APRIL 21, 2015

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on April 21, 2015 at 4:00 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. Councilwoman Campbell was absent. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Norman Willow. Visitors were Charles Tordella, Ken Meyer, John Allen, Abbey Hudson, John Hromyak, and Samuel Kim.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Pernisek, to approve the agenda with 11A, DEP request, **APPROVAL** moved after Secretary's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Pernisek, to approve the Minutes of the April 7, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Feikles, second by Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the April 7, 2015 Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #15855-15858, Sewer Fund #6903, and payroll #15509-15515 and (Sewer) 10048. It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Feikles, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave the following verbal report: The frost is still coming out of the roads slowly and the Road Crew is busy patching holes as needed. Sherrod Hill and Florek Roads have the most damage. The storm siren was tested by Erie County on Wednesday, but there seems to be a problem with our siren. The crew will look into the problem. We have had issues with Waste Management on our roads as their trucks do a lot of damage at this time of year. Manager Anthony spoke with a Waste Management representative about this issue and requested that Waste Management use smaller trucks on the problem roads. Unfortunately, Waste Management stopped picking up trash altogether at the residences. Manager has been in contact with them to correct the situation. The recycling bins continue to be an issue with Township employees spending time cleaning up the mess left on the ground. The Erie County Recycling Coordinator is offering to place two more containers at the Township, order more picks Ups and open a new Recycling Center at Franklin Township.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented a letter from Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper concerning developing bicycle and pedestrian trails in local municipalities. No action required.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER & WATER AUTH. No meeting; Vice-Mayor Feikles presented the monthly Flow Report.

EDINBORO LIASISON Vice-Mayor Feikles did not attend the last meeting; no report.

FIRE DEPT. Councilman Pernisek gave a verbal report of the last meeting. Manager Anthony updated Council of the Fire Department's progress in locating a satellite station and social club behind the Township's DPW building.

WATERSHED ASSOC. Councilwoman Campbell was absent; Manager Anthony presented a notice of the upcoming May 7, 2015 ELWA meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

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DEP MONITOR Chuck Tordella, DEP representative, addressed Council concerning the recent DEP request to drill **WELLS** monitoring wells near residences on Woodlawn Drive in the Township's right-of-way to monitor the water supply near the Presque Isle chemical site. Council asked several questions concerning contaminants still remaining and its impact on the water supply. Mr. Tordella informed Council that with new technology, the DEP hopes that the clean-up will be complete within a 3-year timeframe.

It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Pernisek, to approve said request for monitoring wells contingent upon the Township and DEP agreeing on well locations. **Motion carried unanimously.** Council asked the DEP to notify the residents located near the proposed wells. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Feikles, to direct Manager Anthony to also send letters to those affected residents. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PLANNING Zoning Office Willow presented proposed zoning changes as draft by the Planning Commission. **RECOMMEND.** Council reviewed the proposed changes and asked questions concerning the zoning changes. **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, second by Glass, to have the Township Manager and Zoning Officer draft a proposed ordinance for the zoning changes and bring it back to Council before a public hearing date will be set. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SAMPLE TRAFFIC REPORT Manager Anthony presented a report from the traffic device from its monitoring of Skyview Drive. The sign registers speed, date, and time, including photos of the cars speeding. It showed a definite reduction in speed.

NEW BUSINESS

I & I REPORT Manager Anthony presented an I & I report of recent and future testing in the Lakeside area.

TRIATHLON REQUEST Manager Anthony presented a request to hold the Edinboro Triathlon on various Township roads on May 30, 2015. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Patterson, to approve the Triathlon request as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SHERROD HILL R-O-W Manager Anthony informed Council that Zito Media Communications requesting permission to use bore pits along Sherrod Hill Road for installation of fiber optic lines for T-Mobile. Councilman Patterson has concerns that this company may be in competition with Coaxial Cable with whom the Township has a franchise agreement. Zito Media states the lines will be used for businesses only.

VISITORS John Hromyak asked questions concerning the traffic speed sign. Bonna Getto informed Council of someone shooting firearms last Sunday that continued throughout the day. Council informed Ms. Getto that the Township does not have any ordinance for shooting, but she should contact the Game Commission for further assistance.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn at 5:05 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**