

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – APRIL 4, 2017

CALL TO Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on April 4, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

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

Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilwoman Campbell, Councilmen Pernisek and Patterson.

Also present were Manager Anthony and Zoning Officer Willow. Visitors were Bunny Bucho, Daniel Bucho, Laura Baker, Dennis Baker, Mamie McMahon, Terry McMahon, Louise Kelly, Ken Kelly, Ken Meyer, Norman Kloszewski, Ralph and Barbara Feris, Tracey Devies, David Powekll, Charles Wellman, Jennifer Wellman, Matt Tighe, Laura Tighe, Josh Swanson, Erica Long, John Allen, Diane Guy, Kathy Pernisek and Abbey Hudson.

AGENDA **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Agenda with the move of **APPROVAL** the Solicitor's Report 9A to after 11C. **Motion carried unanimously.**

COUNCIL **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, seconded by Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the semi-**MINUTES** monthly Council Meeting of March 21, 2017. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2017 Public Hearing. **Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER'S The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #17081-171300, Water Fund #5723-**REPORT** 5728, Sewer Fund #7317-7322, State checks #2088-2090, and payroll checks #15961-15973, 10046 (Water) and (Sewer)10113. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve all the checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

It appears that spring is upon us and that means a changeover of equipment and the beginning of the busy season. Crews have already started brush cutting with the boom mower and repairs to heavily damaged (although minimal in comparison to prior years) road areas. We have received the new zero turn mower that was in the budget and Council approved for purchase. This will give us two zero turns and the John Deere with the tandem pull behind mowers. We should be well prepared to keep the parks mowed nicely this year. Spring cleanup of antiskid will commence once we are sure no remaining winter blast are approaching. We anticipate using a commercial street cleaning machine in the Lakeside area as we have in the past. An emergency pipe replacement had to be done on Zessinger Rd. Even though the 15" was smoothbore plastic and plenty deep enough, it still collapsed. In years past, we always felt that plastic would out last most, if not all of our lifetimes. Seems this many not be the case, as this is the second instance of plastic pipe failing on us.

We had an incident on Parkway drive where someone unknown to us at this time, dumped a large pile of wood chips on the cul-de-sac. This really interfered with snowplow operations and we did have a snow event just after the discovery. For the interim, we have moved the material off the road within the right of way. If we do not find out who placed the material there, we will have to remove it ourselves. These types of illegal practices can be disheartening, similar to the State Police finding farm animal parts dumped at Peninsula Park. Dumping continues to be a problem even with the recycling center. A problem I doubt we will ever be able to cure.

All pumps for the sewer system are now fully operational. I & I investigation continues but we are now seeing that the degradation of the lift stations is becoming more and more serious. These have been in place since the mid 70's and many have seen little or no upgrade to their internal structure. Things like ladders and slide rails and housings etc. This is something that will have to be dealt with in the not to distance future.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony the following correspondence: Letters from Jennifer Wellman, Bunny Bucho, Dan Bucho, Ken Kelly, and Matt Tighe concerning the rezoning of Lovett's Mobile Home Park and Armstrong Cable concerning the future of their franchise agreement.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow presented the Leone subdivision and the Estate of Barbara Wellman subdivision and the monthly Building Report for Council's review. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Leone subdivision as presented. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to approve the estate of Barbara Wellman subdivision as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT Three proposed drafts of a noise related ordinance and changes to the performance standards were provided by the solicitor for review and consideration. Council preferred the first version and will provide comments to this draft to the solicitor for further changes. Manager Anthony will place the matter on a future agenda for Council's consideration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMM Councilman Glass presented the Minutes of the March 21, 2107 Meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Councilwoman Campbell presented the Minutes of the February 23, 2017 Meeting and a PSAT's proposed resolution for the upcoming State Convention.

ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Washington Township no longer has a individual representative due to changes made at the County level.

VERTERAN PARK COMM. Vice-Mayor Feikles presented the Minutes of the March 14, 2017 Meeting.

EMA Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the March 3, 2017 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

BAKER REZONING A motion was made by Glass to deny the rezoning request for Lovett's Mobile Home Park. **REQUEST Motion died** due to lack of a second. A lengthy discussion ensued from neighboring landowners opposed to the rezoning. They stated concerns over wetland encroachment and requirements for mobile home parks by the Township. Others made statements in favor of the rezoning noting the improvements of the park since the Baker's ownership and legally being allowed to open beaver dams to on their property to protect the public water system of the Park. **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, second by Pernisek, to approve the rezoning as presented. **Voting** in favor were Campbell, Feikles, Patterson and Pernisek. **Voting opposed** was Glass. **Motion carried.**

2016 FINAL AUDIT REPORT Manager Anthony presented the 2016 Final Audit for Council's review. No Action required.

NEW BUSINESS

MATERIALS BIDS Manager Anthony opened the following materials bids:

Diesel fuel	Reed Oil \$1.71 per gallon	Mezler's No Bid
Gasoline	Reed Oil \$1.69 per gallon	Melzer's \$1.88 per gallon
Cold patch	Suit-Kote \$73.40 per ton FOB	\$76.58 per ton delivered
	Russell Standard Corp \$74 per ton FOB,	\$78 per ton delivered

It was voted by Glass, second by Feikles, to award both the diesel fuel and gasoline bids to Reed Oil. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** by Glass, second by Campbell, to Award the cold patch bid to Suit-Kote. **Motion carried unanimously.**

LAY ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT BID Manager Anthony presented to Council the information for bid for the Lay Road culvert scheduled for replacement this summer. **It was voted** by Feikles, second by Campbell, to advertise for bids for said project, to be awarded at the first meeting in May. **Motion carried unanimously.**

RES. #8-17 TAX EXONERATION **It was voted** by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve the tax exoneration as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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VISITORS Matt Tighe voiced concerns over the approval of the Baker rezoning. He provided Council with documentation relating to the various permits that Baker obtained in the past from the State to perform work, noting that some items weren't not completed as required in his opinion.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:13 P.M.
Motion carried unanimously.