

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 2, 2009

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on June 2, 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, Councilmen Stefano and Patterson and Councilwoman Campbell. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony, Zoning Officer Carcella, and Solicitor Paul Burroughs. Visitors were Richard and Lorrie Baney and Amber Wellington.

AGENDA APPROVAL It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Stefano, to amend the Agenda with the move-up of 13 A, Visitor, to after Secretary's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the monthly Council Meeting of May 20, 2009. Abstaining was Mayor Glass because he did not attend this meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #12214-12267 and manual checks #1145311454-11458, Water Fund checks #4572-4586 and manual check #3999, Sewer Fund #5599-5615 and manual check #4699, and payroll checks #1000028, 10000125-10000126, #995400-995410. It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

The month of June will see the Road Crew involved in oiling (MC-70) on various gravel roads in the Township. Depending on the outcome of the bidding process, tar and chip may be placed on these roads. You cannot tar and chip a road without first placing an oil base down. We will be continuing the spring ditching program and the mowing of berms. We have been plagued with some minor problems with equipment, such as the clutch on the Z-track mower, pins and cracking of the frame on the one-ton truck. These have been corrected but of course deplete the financing of other road projects. I am also investigating the repair of what we refer to as the Township Barn, located adjacent to the antiskid dome building. The roof is leaking at the points that the metal roof has been nailed. We will research alternatives to extend the life of this structure

A large water leak was found at the Sheetz location at I-79 and 6 N. This had been occurring for quite sometime. The culprit was a hole in the 2" lateral line that feeds the store. It was the responsibility of the owners to repair and we bill the owner for our time and efforts to assist in the matter. Unfortunately, without being able to meter the water loss we can only charge them the known amounts. Since the repair of this problem, we have significantly reduced our pumping time, which equates to lower utility bills as well. Speculation is that it was caused by a lightning strike, but measures have been taken to remove the grounding from the waterline, as was the case with the Wendy's store last year to ensure that electrolysis is not to blame. Country Fair has received similar notification.

The Sewer Department is working around the various obstacles that the late completion of the plant upgrade has caused. Arranging for sludge handling and disposal has been a challenge. Bids have been advertised for the replacement of the lift station generator as allowed for in the Sewer Fund budget, the opening will be June 16th. This will replace the 1950's generator that is in poor condition.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: A letter from Dale Robinson, the Erie County Emergency Management Coordinator concerning the Township's EMC position and notification from Kimberly Fabrizio of Edinboro University concerning an upcoming town meeting.

Council discussed the Emergency Management Coordinator position with Glass, Patterson, Campbell, and Foulkrod requesting further review of the EMC criteria in Title 35. Stefano abstained from the discussion because he offered himself to fill the position.

Campbell and Stefano will attend the Edinboro University Town Meeting.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella had no subdivisions, updated Council on the enforcement actions and presented the monthly Building Report.

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SOLICITOR'S/ ENGINEER'S REPORT Solicitor Burroughs updated Council on the Borough Sewer Plant upgrade

and Resolution #13-09, authorizing entry in to the CO & A modification.

It was voted on motion by Foulkrod, second by Campbell, to approve Resolution #13-09, authorizing modification to the Consent Order and Agreement with the DEP to extend the completion date of the Edinboro Sewer Plant expansion to November, 2009. **Motion carried unanimously.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the May 26, 2009 Meeting. Council pursued a lengthy discussion on setbacks and the possible elimination of them. **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, second by Stefano, to send the issue back to Planning for a full review of said setbacks. **Voting in favor** were Foulkrod, Patterson, Glass and Stefano. **Voting opposed** was Campbell. **Motion carried.**

ZONING HEARING BOARD Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the May 19, 2009 Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Minutes were unavailable. Councilman Stefano informed Council of the upcoming ECATO Picnic and stated he would attend.

EDINBORO VFD No report. Council discussed a letter received from Edinboro Volunteer Fire Department Chief Matt Seagren concerning Vice-Mayor Foulkrod's inability to attend the Fire Department Meetings due to a conflict. Vice-Mayor Foulkrod informed Council he would be able to attend future meetings commencing in July.

WATER AUTHORITY Minutes were unavailable. Council discussed the Water Authority's response letter to Edinboro Volunteer Fire Department concerning the ISO Report and the extension of waterlines in the projected growth area of the I-79/ 6N interchange.

ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION No Meeting.

EDINBORO LIAISON No Meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. Vice-Mayor Foulkrod discussed the last two Meetings and the proposed Watershed Association's application for a grant to study Edinboro Lake's phosphorous levels.

VETS PARK No Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

JOINT PLANNING DISCUSSION Council discussed the events of the last Joint Planning Commission Meeting and the effects the Joint Comprehensive Plan has on the community. Council would like to see the consideration of joint authorities addressed in the plan.

SEWER TRUCK Manager Anthony requested three quotes for a sewer truck under the amount of \$10,000.00:
QUOTES from Ferrando Ford, Humes Chrysler, and Great Lakes Motor Company. Great Lakes Motor Company was the only respondent and provided 2 quotes: a 2000 Ford F-250 for \$7,800.00 and a 2004 Chevrolet K-1500 for \$7,900.00. **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the bid from Great Lakes Motor Company for the 2004 Chevrolet K-1500 for \$7,900.00. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

MANAGER'S CONTRACT Mayor Glass appointed Jon Foulkrod and Dave Patterson to meet with Manager Anthony concerning his contract renewal that expires December 31, 2009.

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VISITORS Richard Baney addressed Council on the stormwater issues on his property located at 5463 Woodlawn Drive. At this time his concerns are regarding stormwater draining from private property. Zoning Officer Carcella will try to mediate for the neighbors to work together on a resolution of said stormwater. However, it was noted several times that the matter is likely a private one that the Township cannot take formal actions upon.

EXECUTIVE Council convened in Executive Session at 8:57 P.M. to discuss issues of the Borough's sewer
SESSION plant upgrade and possible litigation. Council re-convened in regular session at 9:17 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Stefano, to adjourn the Meeting at 9:18
P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**

