

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 2, 2013

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Patterson called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on July 2, 2013 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, Glass, and Councilwoman Campbell. Also present were Solicitor Burroughs, Engineer Halmi, Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Willow. Visitors were Dennis Porto And Chris Roth.

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

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the semi-monthly Council Meeting of June 18, 2013. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Pernisek, to approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing of June 18, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund 14746-14783, Water Fund #5186-5196, Sewer Fund #6522-6538, State checks #2033-2034, Vet's Park check #1008, and payroll checks #10006 (Water), #15107-15122. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to approve the payable checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Pernisek, to approve the payroll checks as presented. Voting in favor were Patterson, Pernisek, Glass and Campbell. Abstaining was Feikles because his son is employed by the Township. Motion carried.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

A second round of roadside mowing has begun, this year we were able to get ahead of the situation and will continue to keep going until Fall when the boom mower will be used to reach further back. The Road Crew has been installing numerous sluice pipes and ditching in multiple areas. Now that the 2013 road project bids have been awarded, we are focusing on those areas in preparation for the contractors. We will be adding about 225 addition tons of asphalt to the project list due to the bids coming in somewhat lower than anticipated, mostly on Crane and Hamilton roads. We are looking for better weather that will allow us to get the much needed graveling project scheduled for Wetsell Ridge Rd. and completed. Finding suitable material at a reasonable cost has become a challenge, but the DPW Coordinator is researching various options to keep the cost in line with the budget.

The Sewer Department has been plagued with fibrous materials plugging the pumps at the Woods Drive lift station. The pumps have been pulled and inspected two times recently and we continue to find this material. If it continues we will send a letter to the contributing homes alerting them to the situation. This was done on Decker Drive not long ago and was successful.

The Water System has no problems to report, but be aware that the PennDot project of widening Rt 6N from Fry Road west will require assistance from both the sewer and water departments to insure no break in service and the replacement of a portion of main sewer line.

EMA Director Bill Heald informed Manager Anthony of the proper procedure for reporting a tornado to Erie County 911 to use the County's tornado warning siren. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Pernisek, to designate the Edinboro Fire Department staff responsible for alerting Erie County 911 in the event of a tornado touchdown. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Willow had no subdivisions but presented the monthly Building Report. Councilman Pernisek commended zoning Officer Willow for his recent Planning Commission report for Council's review.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT No report.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Mayor Patterson presented the Minutes of the June 25, 2013 Meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Councilwoman Campbell presented the Minutes of the May 16th and the June 27th, 2013 Meetings. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to approve the purchase of a \$25 gas card donation for the ECATO Picnic. **Voting in favor** were Pernisek, Glass, Feikles and Campbell. **Voting opposed** was Patterson. **Motion carried.**

WATER AUTHORITY Councilman Pernisek presented the Minutes of the June 20, 2013 Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Minutes were unavailable.

VETERAN PARK COMM. Councilman Glass presented the Minutes of the May 7, 2013 Meeting.

EMA Minutes were unavailable.

OLD BUSINESS

REVISIT OF Manager Anthony presented Engineer Halmi's draft engineering agreement for the Route **RTE 99** 99 Sewer Extension Project for Council's review. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by **ENG. AGREE.** Feikles, to approve said agreement contingent upon DCED approval of the funding process. **Motion carried unanimously.**

JOINT VENTURES Manager Anthony presented the Borough's response to Council's request for a joint meeting **UPDATE** to discuss the formation of joint sewer and water authority, and provide other cooperative measures for the benefit of the Edinboro community which was rejected by the Borough of Edinboro. The issue of a proposed water agreement to facilitate the Wesbury development was discussed at length. Solicitor Burroughs explained the Township's Code that states development within Washington Township would be served by Township water services when provided by the developer. Engineer Halmi commented on technical issues of providing water service to said development. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Pernisek, to direct Manager Anthony to send a letter to Wesbury informing the developer that Council had approved the 50,000 Gallon Agreement to serve said development with Boro sewer services, but water from Washington Township shall be provided to the development and the Township should continue to negotiate a Water Agreement with the Borough of Edinboro for those outlying areas within the Township boundaries that need water service; Wesbury Development would not be included in any water agreement with the Borough as this is in a projected Township growth, R-1 district. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

ROAD FOREMAN **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to appoint Rick Gould as Road **POSITION** Foremen at a salary rate of \$44,000.00 per year. **Motion carried unanimously.**

PROPOSED ORD. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to advertise for Public Hearing **#2-13 CODE** proposed Ordinance #2-13, amending multiple sections the Township Code, with changes discussed **AMEND.** by Council. **Motion carried unanimously.**

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Pernisek, to adjourn the Meeting at 8:47 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**

