

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 18, 2015

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on August 18, 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, Patterson and Councilwoman Campbell. Also present were Manager Anthony and Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Norman Willow. Visitors were Samuel Kim, Linda King, Charles Weiss, Amy Burhenn, Chris Lovell, Aaron Phillips, Ron Welkel, Joe Mansfield, Abbey Hudson, Meg Daniels, Bill Heald, Kathy Macey, George Macey, Brian Johnson, Arty Malone, and Carol Malone.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve the agenda with the move-up of **APPROVAL** 13, Visitors, after Secretary's Report. **Motion carried unanimously.**

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the August 4, 2015 Council Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** on motion by Patterson, second by Pernisek, to approve the Minutes of the August 4, 2015 Public Hearing. **Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #16084-16087, Sewer Fund #6964, and payroll #15588-15595 and (Sewer)10061. **It was voted** on motion by Feikles, second by Campbell, to approve all the checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave the following verbal report: Plank Road improvements have been completed and funded in part by the Dirt and Gravel Roads Program because the road lies within the French Creek watershed. Conneauttee Road will also be improved with funds from said grant. The Road Crew will apply asphalt millings to Hillcrest Drive. Boom mowing will commence for Fall.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented a thank-you letter from Franklin Township concerning the cooperation between the two municipalities. No action required.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER & WATER AUTH. Councilman Feikles did not attend but presented the Minutes of the May 14, 2015 and the monthly Flow Report.

EDINBORO LIASISON Councilman Feikles gave a verbal report of the last Meeting. The Borough of Edinboro has requested the use of the Township's speed device to be located near the Giant Eagle Plaza on Route 99. Manager Anthony informed Council this is a State highway, and permission from PennDOT would be required. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve locating said speed device for a two-week period as requested, contingent upon PennDOT's approval. **Motion carried unanimously.**

FIRE DEPT. No Meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. No meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

BUDGET UPDATE Manager Anthony presented the updated Budget for Council's review. No action required.

BILLING UPDATE Manager Anthony presented a letter that will be included with the sewer and water billing announcing the new billing software and providing web access to each residents' account information.

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NEW BUSINESS

A-1 USE REQUEST Manager Anthony presented a request from Joe Mansfield Sanitation requesting zoning clarification for parcel #20-42-5 located on the south side of Route 6N, east of Eureka Road. Mr. Mansfield is considering purchasing said property if he would be permitted to have his sanitation business located in this A-1 zoning district. The Township Code does not clearly define said type of business and Council could consider three options: 1. deny and send to Zoning Hearing Board for their quasi-judicial decision, 2. approve with an Ordinance amendment, or 3. deny completely. A discussion ensued with the business owners as to what type of equipment and materials would be located on the property, and if said materials would be housed in a building. The business owners will consider Council's remarks and costs associated with the suggestions before purchasing the property.

VISITORS Several residents addressed Council about high-speed internet availability within Washington Township. Samuel Kim, Chuck Weiss, Linda King and Randy White addressed Council and asked Council for help in obtaining high-speed internet for their areas. Chris Lovell and Aaron Phillips of Coaxial Cable addressed the cost effectiveness of new installations. Coaxial Cable and several residents will meet to consider options available. EMA Bill Heald addressed Council for his quarterly visit.

ADJOURNMENT It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn at 5:45 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.