

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 19, 2008

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Foulkrod called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on August 19, 2008 at 4:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Stefano, Councilmen Patterson and Glass, and Councilperson Campbell. Also present were Manager David Anthony, Zoning Officer Terry Carcella, and Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony. Visitors were Mary Anne Strand, Marilyn Free and Dennis Porto.

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

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the August 5, 2008 Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously. It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the August 19, 2008 Public Hearing. **Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund checks #11198-11202, Water Fund checks #3936, and ADP Payroll checks #995,265-995,269 and 10,000,087-10,000,088. **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, second by Campbell, to approve all Fund checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave a verbal report on the nuisance complaints he received from Linden Avenue residents concerning noise and parked cars. The residents called the State Police concerning noise, but Manager Anthony reminded Council that only the Township can enforce the parking ordinance, and not the State Police. Council discussed contacting Edinboro University's Judicial Committee on future complaints.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: a letter from Lake Erie Conservancy requesting input for the Lake Erie Conservation Plan. No action required.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella had no subdivisions to present, but discussed the Enforcement Report.

It was voted on motion by Glass, second by Campbell to investigate the English barn on Neyland Road as a possible violation due to its deterioration. **Voting in favor** were Campbell, Foulkrod, Patterson and Glass. **Voting opposed** was Stefano. **Motion carried.**

ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Halmi informed Council the Sewer Authority's bid has been awarded to Chivers Construction for the extension of the gravity sewer line. The Penn Vest loan closing is set for September 16, 2008 at 9:00 AM. Mayor Foulkrod asked Engineer Halmi if the project was on schedule; Engineer Halmi stated it was. The Perry Lane appraisals are in progress and the costs of said appraisals are over the estimated costs. Manager Anthony informed Council these costs would eventually be reimbursed by Penn Dot to the Township.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER AUTHORITY Councilperson Campbell presented the monthly Flow Report and gave a verbal report on the last meeting.

EDINBORO LIASION Councilperson Campbell gave a verbal report on the Borough's last Meeting and the rental ordinance that was recently passed.

OLD BUSINESS

ANGLING RD. SPEED LIMIT STUDY Manager Anthony presented a letter from Penn Dot concerning a traffic study for Angling Road for the determination of speed limits. Penn Dot feels no changes to the current speed limit are warranted. Council directed Manager Anthony to contact the PA State Police for more patrols of said road to deter speeding.

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REVISED PERSONNEL POLICY It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Glass, to approve the revised personnel policy as presented. After a discussion, Campbell **amended the motion** to include the effective

date of January 1, 2009, with Glass seconding. **Voting in favor** were Foulkrod, Glass, Campbell and Stefano. **Voting opposed** was Patterson. **Motion carried.**

REZONING Manager Anthony brought back to Council the Land Ventures rezoning request from the last meeting.
REQUEST **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Patterson, to advertise for possible adoption of proposed Ordinance #4-08 during the September 2, 2008 Council Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

VANCO Manager Anthony informed Council of a request for parcel # 19-40-1, located on Silverthorn Road, **AG SEC** to be added to the Agricultural Security Area within Washington Township. Council reviewed the membership roster of the current Washington Township Agricultural Security Committee and made no changes.

VISITORS Mary Anne Strand questioned Council on their thoughts concerning the proposed Ordinance #4-08, the rezoning request for Land Ventures property on Edinboro Road. Dennis Porto presented Council with a map of the area affected by the proposed rezoning to clarify the exact location.

EMC **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, second by Foulkrod, to direct Manager Anthony to investigate at the **POSITION** Manager's discretion, how other municipalities are filling the Emergency Management position in their localities and the costs associated with hiring a person to fill this position, and to contact PSATS for their comments. **Motion carried unanimously.**

LAKE TESTING Mayor Foulkrod informed Council the testing of Edinboro Lake is completed and a meeting will be scheduled to present the findings to Washington Township Council, Edinboro Borough Council and the Watershed Committee.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn the Meeting at 5:24 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**