

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 21, 2012

CALL TO ORDER Vice-Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on August 21, 2012 at 4:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Councilmen Pernisek and Patterson and Councilwoman Campbell. Mayor Feikles was absent. Also present were Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Administrator Carcella. Visitors were Lois Maranchick, Samuel Kim, Noelle Kim, Jan Hendryx, Teri Propst, Bob Rhodes, Jim Houser, Judy Dauson, Heather Zimmerman, and Mary White.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Patterson, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Agenda as presented.

APPROVAL Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Pernisek, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Council Minutes of August 7, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #14258-14260, Sewer Fund #6348 and payroll checks #996053-996060. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Patterson, to approve the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave a verbal report on the sewer lines smoke testing the crew are in the process of performing; the purchase of anti-skid for the upcoming winter; berm mowing; the proposed disc golf course and recent Asphalt Zipper work performed for Springfield Township.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella had no subdivisions but presented the Enforcement Report Concerning a noise complaint on Decker Drive.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Halmi was not in attendance; Manager Anthony informed Council of the receipt of the Small Stream Encroachment permit for Lewis Road culvert adjacent the Ray Showman property.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER AUTH. Mayor Feikles presented the Minutes of the July 12, 2012 Meetings and the Monthly Flow Report.

EDINBORO LIASISON Councilwoman Campbell gave a verbal report on the Borough's last meeting.

FIRE DEPT. No Meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. Mayor Feikles was absent; no report.

EMA Manager Anthony presented the Minutes of the August 1, 2012 Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

COND. USE #1-12 SEAPORT Vice-Mayor Glass' Statement of facts: It is apparent that the Townships ordinance for conditional use for an airstrip does not conform or apply to this applicant because the land in which the airfield, in this specific case a seaport, is to be located in not directly owned by the applicant. In this specific case of the Seaport request, Edinboro Lake is controlled by the Commonwealth and Federal Government by issuance of permits and by regulating activities on the lake. The Township does not have authority to regulate this type of activity on Edinboro Lake.

It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Pernisek, for the recommendation of the governing body of Washington Township to the applicant, Phillip Russell, to seek approval of his request directly from the appropriate regulatory agency. The governing body also recommends, that since pontoon planes do land on the lake and will continue to land on the lake, and the Township's mission is to protect and provide for the health, safety and welfare of its residences, recommends to the appropriate agencies to approve Mr. Russell's application for a Seaport in order to insure the implementation of necessary safety measures for

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the protection of those using the lake and pontoon planes such as windsocks, landing area buoys, signage, radio communication center, rescue boat and any other measure required for the licensing of a Seaport. The Manager is also directed to reimburse Mr. Russell for the fees incurred for a Conditional Use Application. By no means does Washington Township hold any liability or responsibility for the installation, maintenance, inspection, operation of an approved facility, now or in the future. **Voting in favor** were Patterson, Pernisek, and Glass. **Voting opposed** was Campbell. **Motion carried.**

TWP. FEES Vice-Mayor Glass presented a list of proposed amended user fees for Council's review; Manager Anthony presented an amended fee schedule from Councilman Patterson. **A motion** was made by Patterson to approve the amended fee schedule as submitted by him. **Motion died** due to lack of a second. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Pernisek, to approve Vice-Mayor Glass' amended fee schedule. **Voting in favor** was Glass and Pernisek. Voting opposed were Patterson and Campbell. **Motion failed for lack of a majority.**

NEW BUSINESS

STOP SIGN REQUEST Manager Anthony presented a petition from residents of Harold and Lakeview Drives requesting stop signs be installed at the corner of Harold and Lakeview Drives. Council wishes to visit the site for a better understanding of this request. Manager Anthony will bring this request back to Council at their next meeting.

VISITORS Samuel Kim addressed Council on his concerns about Marcellus/ Utica Shale drilling. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to send a support letter opposing Act 13 and asked the Gag Order of said act be lifted for physicians to question possible illnesses that may be related to oil and gas drilling. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn the Meeting at 4:58 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**