

## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – JULY 6, 2010

**CALL TO** Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order July 6, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at the  
**ORDER** Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Campbell, Councilmen Patterson, Stefano and Feikles. Also present were Solicitor Burroughs, Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Officer Carcella. Visitors were Amber Wellington, Shirley Cooling, Royce Horn, and William Heald.

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

**APPROVAL** Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL** It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the June 15,  
**MINUTES** 2010 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the June 15, 2010 Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER'S** The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #12961-13015 and manual check  
**REPORT** #12715, Water Fund#4768-4780 and manual check #4729, Sewer Fund #5875-5896 and manual checks #5820, 5897-5898, State checks #2018-2019, Developer's check #993, CDBG check #613, and payroll checks #10000041, 1000062, #995602-995616. It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Glass, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** Manager Anthony presented following report:

We are now prepared for the paving crews to come in and overlay the numerous spots that blew up this past spring. Hopefully this can begin as soon as possible as we have had several complaints relating to the timeliness of the repairs. Due to State Liquid Fuel allocation bidding requirements and the extensive damage we received to our roads, this has been done as quickly as legally possible. Berm mowing has been ongoing as time and weather conditions allow. Once we establish the costs associated with the repairs, we will be able to determine if funding remains to oil some gravel roads. I am optimistic that some money may remain for those projects.

The Parks Crew has been working hard to keep up with the mowing. We have been plagued with breakdowns of the mowing equipment although the addition of the second pull behind mower has greatly reduced the time needed to complete the large areas like Wainer Park. Crews will be removing the shrubs located in the center of the Municipal parking lot and replanting them elsewhere. Due to snowplowing needs, the plants make it difficult to properly clean the lot in the winter. The area will be turned to grass sometime this summer.

The Sewer Department have been attending classes designed to add to their educational requirements as mandated by the DEP. Norm Willow has renewed his sewer treatment plant operators licenses so that he can be listed as a backup for the Township. Some classes are completed on line, while others are held in various areas in the Commonwealth and we send them on company time to complete the courses. Each department is required to attend a certain amount of educational components in order to keep their license current.

We have had significant repair cost with several of the Township trucks as well. The 5500 needed rear-end alignment due to wintertime plowing. The truck was hung up on a large rock at Lakeside and when it was pulled out, it damaged the alignment. The Sewer Department truck will most likely need a rebuilt transmission as well.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: a letter from Richard Ropp concerning the Council's interpretation of the Code when determining the number of EDU's for a proposed senior housing unit and a letter from Edward Meinert concerning a downed tree on private property. Councilman Stefano asked questions pertaining to Council's decision for the determination of the vote to allow a senior housing complex to have their sewer metered, and pay accordingly to the metered flows. Vice-Mayor Campbell and Councilman Feikles took exception to the Ropp letter stating Council made a 'special deal' with PHIRL. It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Stefano, to send a letter to the property owner concerning the downed tree, but Council will not remove the downed tree on personal property because Council felt it did not pose a health, safety, welfare issue for the residents. Motion carried unanimously.

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**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT** Zoning Officer Carcella had no subdivisions to report, but presented the monthly Building Report.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** No report. Councilman Stefano questioned the Solicitor concerning "Pauper Laws".

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PLANNING COMMISSION** Councilman Feikles presented the Minutes of the June 22, 2010 Meeting. A discussion ensued concerning a proposed Mukina subdivision and its sewage planning.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD** No Meeting.

**ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION** Councilman Stefano presented the Minutes of the May 20, 2010 Meeting. The annual Picnic will be held July 29, 2010, and council members Campbell and Stefano will attend.

**EDINBORO VFD** No Meeting.

**WATER AUTHORITY** No Meeting.

**ERIE CO. PLANNING COMM.** Vice-Mayor Campbell presented the Minutes of the May 13, 2010 Meeting. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, donate a \$25 gift card for a raffle item. **Voting in favor** was Campbell. **Voting opposed** were Feikles, Glass, Stefano, and Patterson. **Motion died.**

**EDINBORO LIAISON** No Meeting.

**WATERSHED ASSOC.** No report.

**VETS PARK** Mayor Glass presented the Minutes of the April 13, 2010 Meeting. **It was voted** on motion by Patterson, seconded by Campbell, to approve the use of Township employees to install a sidewalk at the Vets Parks Gazebo, with the Veterans Park Committee covering the cost of the concrete. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**PAVING BID** Manager Anthony presented the following bids for spot paving various Township roads:  
**OPENING/ AWARD**

Russell Standard: 9½ wearing course \$66.80/ ton, 19mm binder, \$75.45/ton for a total of \$238,158.70

IA: 9½ wearing course \$110.00/ ton, 19mm binder \$96.00/ton for a total of \$334,884.00

Vince Cross: 9½ wearing course \$75.80/ ton, 19 mm binder \$67.30/ ton for a total of \$239,582.70

McCormick: 9½ wearing course \$97.84/ ton, 19mm binder \$78.91/ ton, for a total of \$295,882.69

**It was voted** on motion by Stefano, second by Campbell, to award the bid to Russell Standard. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**ORD. #3-10** **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, second by Campbell, to adopt Ordinance #3-10, joint **JOINT** Municipal Services Agreement with Girard Township and Platea Borough for emergency management **EM. SERVICES** coverage. **Voting in favor** were Campbell, Glass, Stefano, and Feikles. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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**MAHONEY** Manager Anthony presented a Memorandum of Understanding from Joseph Mahoney stating he **MEM. OF** will provide community sewer and water service and road maintenance for the proposed subdivision **UNDERSTAND.** located on parcel #19-41- 7.09, on proposed Twilight Drive. The water, sewer and road maintenance will remain private. **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, second by Campbell, to accept the memorandum as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**DONATED** Manager Anthony informed Council of donated time by General Electric workers at the Township **TIME/** parks, painting picnic tables. **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Glass, to direct **PARK REHAB** Manager Anthony to send a thank-you letter to GE. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**COND. USE** It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Stefano, to set a public hearing date on **#3-10 LEVETO** August 20, 2010, by Bruce Leveto for a proposed heliport located at 2750 Kinter Hill Road.  
**Motion**  
carried unanimously.

**ASPHALT ZIPPER** Manager Anthony presented a video of an asphalt zipper, a machine that reclaims road **PURCHASE** surfaces for a longer-lasting road improvements. It was voted on motion by Glass, seconded by Stefano, to approve the purchase of the Asphalt Zipper model #AZ550 for a total cost of \$116,000.00.  
**Motion carried unanimously.**

**VISITORS** Shirley Cooling addressed Council on high grass issues in the R-2 Lakeside residential area. Council decided not to pursue a high grass ordinance at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT** It was voted on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 9:08 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**