

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 3, 2010

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order August 3, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at the 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 Manager Anthony, Community Development Specialist Deborah Anthony and Zoning Officer Carcella. Solicitor Burroughs was absent. Visitors were Amber Wellington and Joseph Mahoney.

AGENDA APPROVAL It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Agenda with the removal of 8A1, the Pavkov subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Feikles, to approve the Minutes of the July 20, 2010 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund #13024-13069, Water Fund#4782-4793, Sewer Fund #5900-5917, Equipment Fund check #97, Developer's checks #1001-1002, CDBG checks #617-618 and payroll checks #1000042, 1000064, #995623-995634. It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve all the checks as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony presented following report:

The Asphalt Zipper is now in full operation. We have purchased the water trailer and attached a water tank to our loader as well. The Eureka Road testing area has been completed as far as reclamation is concerned. Elk Creek Township will be seal coating the area. We will share in that cost, but will trade for Zipper time rather than exchanging money. Although we are still short handed, we will be pushing hard to keep the Zipper in production for as long as we can for the remainder of the year. I do anticipate making a recommendation to Council for a new hire very soon, as the permanent part-time position has been advertised, with interviews to be completed in a timely manner. We need the help to keep on the asphalt repairs and prepare for winter. We will be facing a situation of several novice plow jockeys and must ready ourselves as best as possible. Russell Standard will be completing the paving projects sometime the first week of August, per the contract.

The Parks Department detected a supposed oil or paint spill near Peninsula Park on Wednesday July 28th. The proper agencies were notified and an investigative effort was immediately begun. Later it was determined that the material was indeed a type of algae that grows during the type of weather that we have been experiencing lately. Although it was a false alarm, it does show Washington Township's commitment to safeguarding Edinboro Lake.

We have had a small problem with a homeless couple and extended use of the camping area at Peninsula Park as well. We have ask them to leave as we do not allow camping for more than five days by any party. If it continues, we will contact the State Police for assistance.

The Water Department has completed the roofing on the chemical building. This was completed in-house by the operator himself. It appears that the main plant building may be in need for similar repairs in the not to distant future. The building was constructed around 1995. Tank cleaning went very well and steps were taken to see if additional pressure could be achieved by changing some valve positions in hopes of adding pressure to those businesses on the hill near I-79.

Manager Anthony announced a scheduled meeting with the DEP, Lake Foundation, Erie County Health, Washington Township and Edinboro Borough for August 9, 2010 at the Borough Building to discuss the health of Edinboro Lake.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: a Public Safety newsletter from Erie County. No action was required.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella presented the Mahoney subdivision and the monthly Building Report.

It was voted on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Mahoney subdivision, #4-10, as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT Solicitor Burroughs was not in attendance.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMISSION Councilman Feikles presented the Minutes of the June 27, 2010 Meeting.

ZONING HEARING BOARD No Meeting.

ERIE COUNTY ASSOCIATION Councilman Stefano presented the Minutes of the May 20, 2010 Meeting. Vice-Mayor Campbell reported on the ECATO Picnic that she attended, at which the discussion was concerning House Bill #2431, anti-township legislation. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Stefano, to Direct the Manager to send a letter to PSATS opposing the said proposed legislation. **Motion carried unanimously.**
Council also discussed the proposed floodplain changes. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, send postcards to those residents of Washington Township that will be affected by the proposed Floodplain changes. **Voting in favor** were Campbell, Glass, Feikles, and Patterson. **Abstaining** was Stefano from voting on any matters concerning the purposed flood plain changes as he has a financial interest in an affected area. **Motion carried.**

EDINBORO VFD Councilman Feikles gave a verbal report of the last meeting.

WATER AUTHORITY No Meeting.

ERIE CO. PLANNING COMM. Vice-Mayor Campbell presented the Minutes of the June 10, 2010 Meeting.

EDINBORO LIAISON Vice-Mayor Campbell gave a verbal report of the July 12, 2010 meeting.

WATERSHED ASSOC. No meeting.

VETS PARK No Meeting. Manager Anthony presented a letter of a \$100 donation to the Veterans Park Committee by Deiss & Halmi in the name of former Council member Jon Foulkrod.

OLD BUSINESS

OUTSTANDING Manager Anthony presented a list of outstanding municipal liens for Council's review.

LIENS **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to have the solicitor take whatever action necessary to collect the outstanding debts. After discussion, Campbell **amended her motion** to include the Manager's overseeing of the solicitor's costs for the collection action. **Motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINES

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Glass, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn the Meeting at 7:44 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**