

SEPTEMBER 21, 2011
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
REGULAR MEETING

Council President C. Harold Mumma called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Waynesboro Borough Council to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Benjamin Greenawalt, Jason Stains, C. Harold Mumma, Wayne Driscoll and Ronald Martin (Craig Newcomer was absent)

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Lloyd R. Hamberger, II, Borough Manager
Denny Benschoff, Maintenance Superintendent
Dan Sheffler, Zoning-Code Enforcement Officer
Kevin Grubbs, Head of Engineering Services
Jason Cohen, Assistant Borough Manager
Adam Schellhase, Salzman Hughes, PC (Borough Solicitor)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Starliper led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES: Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2011 public hearing and regular meeting, as written. Councilman Martin seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

ACCEPT REPORTS: Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to accept the reports of the Code Enforcement Officer, Police Chief and Fire Chief, as presented. Councilman Stains seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: No report. Councilman Stains noted that he will present several items during the “voting” section of the meeting.

PROPERTY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Councilman Driscoll reported that the Second Annual Dog Swim at Northside Pool was successful – approximately \$500 was raised to benefit the Dog Park, as well as 300 pounds of dog/cat food (which was donated/delivered to the Antietam Humane Society). Mr. Driscoll thanked those individuals who attended; and Lloyd & Cathy Hamberger, Vicky Grubbs and the pool staff who assisted with the event.

STREET COMMITTEE: No report. Councilman Martin noted that the Street Committee’s next meeting will be held on 09/28 at 9:00 a.m. in Borough Hall’s second floor conference room.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE: No report.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE: No report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: No report. Mr. Hamberger distributed the 2012 budget meeting schedule to Council members. He noted that the first meeting will be held on 10/06 at 7:00 p.m., and preliminary budget figures will be provided to them prior to the meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor's Report was as follows –

“On September 8th, I attended the FCADC's 25th Annual Industry Appreciation Dinner at Green Grove Gardens.

On September 9th, along with Borough Manager Hamberger and Councilman Driscoll, I attended the ribbon-cutting for Christine's Café on E. Main Street.

On September 15th, along with Manager Hamberger, I witnessed the Ride 2 Recovery that stopped at the American Legion for food, water and rest stop. It was an event worth seeing. Many thanks to the Legion, their members, Sgt. Bock and the Fire Police for their help.

On September 16th at Borough Hall, I had the privilege of uniting in marriage, Tracey Riess and Christopher Custer. Our very best wishes to them.

Also on the 16th, along with Borough Manager Hamberger, Assistant Manager Cohen and Councilman Martin, I attended the ribbon-cutting of Gracie's Place in Center Square.”

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT - ITEMS ON AGENDA: None.

VOTING ON ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilman Stains made a motion to reinstate Charles Hollinshead as a member of the Waynesboro Fire Police. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Stains made a motion also to appoint Bryan Starliper as a member of the Fire Police. Councilman Martin seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Stains made a motion to approve a step increase for Gary Smith to salary level 10C. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Stains made a motion to approve a step increase for Darryll Wagaman to salary level 10E. Councilman Martin seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDER TRAFFIC & PARKING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR ADOPTION: Kevin Grubbs noted that Council authorized advertisement of the proposed Traffic & Parking Ordinance amendment on 09/07; the advertisement was published in *The Record Herald* on 09/13; and the ordinance was offered to Council at this meeting for consideration. Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to adopt the proposed ordinance. Councilman Stains seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 688 OF THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO, AS AMENDED, PRESCRIBING TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATIONS IN THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION AND REPEALING CERTAIN PRIOR ORDINANCES.

Complete copy on file at Borough Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

PROCLAMATIONS: Mayor Starliper presented a Proclamation to representatives of the Waynesboro Community Services (formerly Waynesboro Welfare Association) in celebration of their 80th year anniversary. Janet Brockmann invited the public to attend their Open House (at 13 S. Church Street) to be held on 10/01 from 1-3 p.m. in conjunction with Mainstreet Waynesboro's Market Days. She also voiced her appreciation to Borough Council members for approving the removal of a parking meter and installation of a loading zone in front of their office for deliveries/donations. Jacqueline Barlup noted that 80 years is a long time for any organization to maintain the interest, enthusiasm and support of its members ... and this speaks well to the character of the community.

Mayor Starliper then presented a Proclamation to representatives of Renfrew Committee, Inc. in celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Royer Homestead (in 2012) and honoring RCI for preserving and honoring the history of that homestead as Renfrew Museum and Park. Bonnie Iseminger, Administrator, noted it is their mission to preserve and maintain the property for the next generation.

The Mayor also read a Proclamation from FEMA's Readiness Campaign noting that emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen; and all citizens are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together as a team to ensure that individuals, families and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type. September, 2011 is proclaimed as National Preparedness Month.

SEWER RIGHT-OF-WAY THROUGH RENFREW PROPERTY: Mr. Hamberger explained that WTMA will be making major upgrades to its wastewater conveyance and collection system in the future; and in doing so, will be enlarging five (5) miles of existing interceptor lines (a portion of which run through Renfrew Park). He advised WTMA to present the matter to RCI first, and then to Borough Council following their comment. No action is needed from Council at this time.

STREET LIGHT CONVERSION PLAN (WEST PENN POWER COMPANY): Mr. Hamberger noted that, several years ago, West Penn Power presented a proposal to replace the Borough's existing street lights with more efficient lighting (mercury vapor to high-pressure sodium, which is more cost-effective). He calculates that the *total* increase in monthly costs for all the lights will be approximately \$50.00. The Solicitor has reviewed the agreement (which includes full maintenance) and noted no problems; and the staff is recommending that Council proceed. Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to approve the proposed agreement. Councilman Driscoll seconded.

Councilman Martin noted that the agreement includes lighting on the Record Herald parking lot, which Council has agreed to abandon; as well as lighting on the Trinity parking lot, which has not yet been decided on. Mr. Hamberger stated that the lights on the Record Herald lot will be removed from the agreement; and lights on the Trinity lot will be removed from the agreement if Council decides to abandon it also. Councilman Greenawalt amended his motion as such. Councilman Driscoll seconded the amended motion; the motion passed unanimously.

BID RESULTS - PHASES 1 AND 2 OF STORMWATER PROJECT ON S. POTOMAC STREET:

Kevin Grubbs provided Council members with copies of the bid results, a cost comparison and overall summary. The bids received were as follows –

Contract No. 1

Project A - S. Potomac Street Upgrade (W. Main Street to Gay Street):

- David H. Martin \$329,298.67
- Fayetteville Contractors \$337,894.00
- Twin Peak Enterprises \$534,539.72

Project B - W. Second Street By-Pass:

- David H. Martin \$1,062,689.60
- Fayetteville Contractors \$917,957.00

Contract No. 2

S. Potomac Street Main By-Pass:

- David H. Martin \$5,522,772.00
- D. L. George & Sons \$9,904,713.00

He explained that the bids were much higher than anticipated, due (it seems) to timing, as many of the contractors are busy with completing other jobs before the end of the year. Mr. Grubbs summarized the situation, noting there would be an estimated difference of \$2,780,780.67 based on the bids received and funding remaining. Provided that approval for an extension is received from PENNVEST, it will be the staff's recommendation that the bids be rejected and the project re-bid. Action on this matter can be taken at Council's next meeting. Council concurred.

Discussion ensued regarding the number of contractors who received bidding information. It was noted that the Borough should ensure the project is advertised with Reed Construction Data, Construction Journal, Dodge Reports, etc.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE - NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION: Councilman Martin asked about the progress on installation of the "white poles" from Mulberry Avenue at the handicapped parking space in front of the Masonic Lodge, as this was approved at the last Council meeting. Kevin Grubbs and Denny Benschhoff will discuss the matter the following day.

Councilman Martin referred to a newspaper article regarding Washington Township's use of grant monies available for DUI checkpoints, and asked why the Borough's Police Department doesn't participate. Chief King stated that "roving patrols" are conducted in the Borough; but the DUI checkpoints are not "a simple thing". First, manpower is an issue; secondly, the local agency needs to supply a "chase" car; and thirdly, the checkpoint locations are not random, but based on PENNDOT's analysis of accidents and DUI arrests.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

RESPONSE FROM SENATOR ALLOWAY RE: PREVAILING WAGE LEGISLATION: Mr. Hamberger reported that he forwarded correspondence to legislators for action regarding prevailing wage legislation. Senator Alloway responded that he fully supports the Borough's position, and has scheduled a hearing in Waynesboro regarding the matter on 10/11 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

REQUIRED MODIFICATIONS TO MUNICIPAL PENSION PLANS: Mr. Hamberger noted that he received correspondence from Conrad Siegel regarding a federal law passed in 2008 called the "Heroes Earning Assistance and Relief Act", which requires the Borough to make modifications to the municipal pension plans by the end of 2011. He requested Council's authorization to advertise the proposed amendments to the Borough's pension plans. He added that these modifications will not affect the plans – they are simply IRS requirements. Councilman Martin made a motion to authorize the advertisements. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

CDBG FUNDING SUPPORT: Mr. Hamberger advised that he received correspondence from Senator Casey regarding the Borough's position on CDBG program cuts. Senator Casey noted that he will support continued funding.

PAY BILLS: Councilman Stains made a motion to approve the payment of Voucher Lists dated 09/09, 09/13 and 09/20. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS: Councilman Driscoll noted his appreciation to Chief King, the Fire Police, the Abate Motorcycle Club, Kevin Grubbs and the Borough's Maintenance Department for their assistance with the Second 30K Gut Check. He was a participant in the event which drew many people from out-of-town (in fact, the Rotary parking lot was "filled to capacity"). He reported that clean-up was completed quickly, and it was an overall great event.

Councilman Martin reported that he, Borough Manager Hamberger, and Councilmen Greenawalt and Driscoll attended the Waynesboro Borough Authority's cook-out/plant tour held at the Water Treatment Plant prior to their regular monthly meeting on 09/20..

Kevin Grubbs presented two (2) samples of solar flashing lights (from CNC Signals) to be placed at several crosswalks along Main Street to make them more noticeable. He described the different types – one has a battery life of 5 years and costs \$125; the other has a battery life of 3 years and costs \$35. They will be placed at Mulberry Avenue for Council to view, and a decision can then be made at the next meeting regarding which type of light they prefer to purchase.

Chief King thanked Kevin Grubbs and the Maintenance Department for their assistance during the 30K Gut Check. In addition, he cautioned the public about lottery scams – "if someone tells you to pay money to get money, chances are it is probably too good to be true".

Councilman Stains reported to Dan Sheffler that the door to the property at 118 W. North Street is unlocked and hanging open again. Mr. Sheffler noted that he will look into the matter.

Mayor Starliper presented a request from the Calvary Assembly of God to hold a "Light the Night" event on 10/27 as an alternative to Trick-or-Treat. Last year, there were approximately 1,000 people in attendance. They are requesting to block off Snider Avenue (between S. Potomac Street and the alley) from 5-8:30 p.m. Chiefs King and Martin noted no problems. Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to approve the request. Councilman Stains seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Starliper announced that the annual Homecoming Parade will be held on 10/07, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at Summitview and traveling on Second Street to the D-wing at the Senior High School.

Mayor Starliper noted that he received information from MSI's Pat Fleagle regarding an invitation to their inaugural events on 12/02 and 12/03 in connection with the kick-off of Renfrew Museum's 200th Anniversary. Additional information will be forthcoming.

Mayor Starliper also noted that he saw information regarding WGAL's Town Meeting in Waynesboro (at the Ambulance Squad on W. Main Street) on 10/13 at 7:00 p.m. This has been advertised on their television station, but no information has been provided to the Borough.

Mayor Starliper noted that a number of people have asked him about installation of the flashing crosswalk lights. Kevin Grubbs stated that the matter is in PENNDOT's hands at this time.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m. on a Greenawalt/Driscoll motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda S. Knott
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