
JUNE 9, 2010
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
REGULAR MEETING

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

Borough Council – Benjamin Greenawalt, C. Harold Mumma, Craig Newcomer, Wayne Driscoll and Ronald Martin (Jason Stains 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
Melissa Dively, Borough Solicitor (Salzmann Hughes, PC)
Mark King, Police Chief

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

APPROVE MINUTES: Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2010 regular meeting, as written. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Councilman Mumma noted that he received a favorable performance evaluation for Scott Crum, however no action was required. He will present several other during the “voting” section of the meeting.

PROPERTY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Councilman Driscoll announced that an informational meeting will be held the following evening at 7:00 p.m. at Northside Park for anyone interested in fundraising, etc. for the proposed dog park.

STREET COMMITTEE: Councilman Martin reported that the Street Committee will meet on June 30th at 9:00 a.m. He will discuss an item during the “voting” section of the meeting.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE: Mr. Hamberger noted that he received a congratulatory letter from Fred Reddig, Executive Director of the Governor’s Center for Local Government Services, with regard to the Borough’s recent recognition at the Local Government Day Award Ceremony.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE: President Newcomer announced that the next meeting of the Downtown Revitalization Committee will be held on Tuesday, June 15th, at 9:00 a.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: No report. Councilman Martin requested that the Borough research the possibility of emailing vs. mailing customers’ utility bills to save postage, and/or the procedures required for online bill paying. Mr. Hamberger noted that final installation of the billing system software will be done in several weeks, and he will discuss these matters with their software company.

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

“On May 31st, I participated in the Combined Veterans Council’s Parade and Memorial Service at Memorial Park. Our thanks to the Council, along with Memorial Park Board, for presentation of the trees to the deceased veterans of World War II.

On June 2nd, I was in attendance at the ribbon cutting of the South Mountain Readiness Center for Battery B, 1st Battalion, 108th Field Artillery, 28th Infantry Division. Congratulations to all involved in this Center.

On June 5th at Renfrew Park, I had the privilege of uniting in marriage Danielle Carroll and Thomas Marsh. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Marsh.

NOTE: Chief King is working with Mark Hood of Pennoni Associates (PA LTAP) on a statewide certification for adult school crossing guards before the next school year.

Also, I have been in touch with Tony Ricardi, who is a fire police instructor. Along with an upcoming meeting with the Fire Police, Waynesboro Volunteer Fire Department, Chief Martin, Chief King and myself, we will be looking into trying to bring new individuals into the Fire Police organization.”

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT - ITEMS ON AGENDA:

Suzanne Woodring, 39 Clayton Avenue - Ms. Woodring requested that a crosswalk be installed across Main Street at Locust Street so that tenants of her property at that location (who must park across the street at times because of parking overflow at St. Andrews Church) will not be fined for jaywalking. Kevin Grubbs noted that he is in the process of having crosswalks (at signalized intersections) permitted at this time, and the procedure for adding crosswalks is quite involved. Councilman Martin added that it would be “almost impossible” to obtain approval for a crosswalk at that location.

Kevin Grubbs explained that the purpose of this proposed ordinance is to forewarn pedestrians of their responsibilities when crossing the street. It is also intended to prevent drivers from passing a vehicle (from behind) that has stopped to allow a pedestrian to cross the roadway. It is not expected that the Police Department will fine people for crossing the street in a safe manner.

VOTING ON ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilman Mumma made a motion to approve a step increase for Julie Myers to salary level 8D. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Mumma made a motion to affirm the hiring of Josh Nickell as a Summer Maintenance Worker with the Maintenance Department. Councilman Martin seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Martin made a motion to approve the installation of two (2) Children at Play signs on N. Phillips Avenue, in response to a resident’s request. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDER PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION: Councilman Martin made a motion to adopt the proposed Pedestrian Crosswalk Ordinance, as presented. Councilman Driscoll

seconded. Discussion ensued regarding the need for signs to be posted in the Town-Center district indicating “Crosswalk Ordinance Enforced” (exact language to be determined). Councilman Martin amended his motion to include an effective date of July 1st. Councilman Driscoll seconded the amendment; the motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO, FRANKLIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALKS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO.

Complete copy on file at Borough Hall.

RESULTS (PROPOSALS FOR LOAN): Mr. Hamberger noted that he provided a recap of the proposals received from area banks for a \$1,000,000 loan. The “bottom line” is that they propose from 3.5% to 4.5% for a 10-15 year loan. He added that no action is needed at this time, as Council is awaiting input from PENNVEST (in July) regarding their revised application for a grant/loan.

UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE (UCC): Mr. Hamberger noted that this matter was discussed previously at several meetings, and the issue regarding plywood roof sheathing was being reviewed further. Councilman Martin recommended the following changes be made to the proposed ordinance adopting the Uniform Construction Code:

- Structural modification - no changes
- Add “and roof sheathing replacement” under 5(b)(i)
- Plumbing, supply and water line relocation - no changes
- Remove/move 5(a)(iii) “HVAC modifications” to 5(b)(iv) and reword “Replacement of HVAC” (i.e., an inspection would not be required for taking out a condensing unit and putting a new one in). Mr. Hamberger noted, however, that if HVAC is removed from 5(a), no permit would be required for any HVAC work. He recommended indicating that no permit would be required for “HVAC replacements (in-kind)”, and suggested that the staff modify the draft ordinance for Council’s further review. Councilman Martin commented that he would like the matter to be handled at this meeting, and indicated that the wording for 5(b)(iv) be “Replacement of HVAC”
- Electrical placement modifications - no changes

Councilman Martin made a motion to adopt the aforementioned modifications. Councilman Mumma seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

GEOFAM (FORMERLY UNOVA) TAX SETTLEMENT: Mr. Hamberger noted that he had contacted Council members regarding this matter earlier in the week, and they subsequently authorized Solicitor Dively to execute the required documents for the re-assessment (for the deadline of June 7th). Accordingly, affirmation of this action is required at this meeting. Councilman Mumma made a motion as such. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

AWARD BIDS (E. SECOND STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT): Councilman Martin reported that bids were received for E. Second Street from Myrtle Avenue to just past Enterprise Avenue, the lowest of which was \$199,475 from Fayetteville Contractors. As the bid was somewhat lower than the amount estimated, the Street Committee is considering an optional addition to the contract to extend the work to just past the entrance to the Middle School. Based on the per s.y. price received, this may cost approximately \$64,600 more.

Councilman Martin made a motion to award the contract to Fayetteville Contractors; and further, to authorize the staff to obtain a firm price for the optional extension. Councilman Greenawalt seconded. After reviewing the current financial situation, Mr. Hamberger noted he is “comfortable” with this recommendation. He added that Kevin Grubbs had estimated high in case of soft spots. As part of this project, it was noted that the Maintenance Department will upgrade the existing storm drains in the project area, but work will not commence until after the July 4th weekend festivities. The motion then passed unanimously.

LETTER FROM WAYNESBORO BOROUGH AUTHORITY RE: H2O GRANT APPLICATION:

Council members received correspondence from the Waynesboro Borough Authority advising that they are applying for a grant to assist in funding upgrades at the Borough’s Sewer Treatment Plant, for an estimated cost of \$12,000,000 to \$14,000,000. This project is required for compliance with the Chesapeake Bay Initiative. Councilman Martin made a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to write a letter of support to the WBA for their grant application. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

GOLF COURSE TEE SIGNS: Mr. Hamberger reported that the new Golf Course Manager has been pursuing ways to increase revenue for the golf course. He is negotiating with several business owners for new tee signs. Essentially they will pay for the sign preparation and pay a yearly rental fee of \$600.00 for the signs to be posted at various tees. Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to acknowledge support of the concept, as recommended by the Borough Manager. Councilman Mumma seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE - NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Frank Bittner, 842 Anthony Avenue - Mr. Bittner noted that he recently witnessed sludge being pumped from the Borough’s Sewer Treatment Plant into trucks for hauling away. He questioned the method of pumping, and Mr. Hamberger clarified that a firm is contracted to haul and land-apply sludge on several permitted farms in the area.

Paul McCarney - Mr. McCarney thanked Council for their resolution regarding the UCC (Building Codes). In addition, he noted that he had previously mentioned the fact that individuals were living in a home that had been condemned; and (to his knowledge) had not obtained permits for work, nor had any inspections done, since the condemnation. Councilman Martin requested that Dan Sheffler check into the matter.

Harry Morningstar, 205 Clayton Avenue - As a member of Mainstreet Waynesboro, Inc., Mr. Morningstar noted that they had coordinated with Vision Quest to have individuals sweep the sidewalks in downtown Waynesboro several weeks ago. He requested that Council send a letter to Vision Quest acknowledging their efforts. Council concurred.

Mr. Morningstar also announced that a “Pot Party” will be held on June 16th. He explained that approximately 200 pots of ivy (raised and donated by Tom McCloud) will be planted around the trees along Main Street.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

REPORT ON POOL OPENING: Mr. Hamberger reported that Northside Pool opened on May 29th, and attendance during that weekend was “incredible”. In fact, Monday saw one of the biggest crowds in years (1600); however total membership sales are still down. The pool will now be open for regular hours of operation.

TOURNAMENT RULES RE: ALCOHOL AT MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE: Mr. Hamberger noted it has been recommended that beer be permitted during tournaments held at the Municipal Golf Course. (Council members previously received an email regarding this matter.) An ordinance would be required, which Melissa Dively is working on. Until an ordinance is adopted, however, he suggested that any tournament requests be reviewed on a case-by-case basis; and an administrative waiver to the existing rules could be granted if Council is agreeable. Councilman Martin made a motion to waive enforcement of the rules regarding alcohol during tournaments only on a case-by-case basis until an ordinance is adopted regarding the matter. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously..

Solicitor Dively noted that the organizer(s) for any such tournament would have to sign a statement indicating that no underage individuals will have access to the alcohol during their event. Mr. Hamberger added that they will meet with the insurance company regarding any inclusions they may require in the ordinance.

WAYNESBORO RUNNING, INC.: Police Chief Mark King noted that he has not heard back from organizers regarding this event. The matter was deferred.

PAY BILLS: Councilman Mumma made a motion to approve payment of the Voucher Lists dated 05/27 and 06/01. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS: Councilman Martin announced that St. Thomas Development, who is doing the Route 16 Project, will be paving in the evenings. In response to a question regarding a schedule for the project, Kevin Grubbs advised that handicapped ramps need to be installed, and water services need to be upgraded before any excavation, etc. can begin.

Councilman Martin requested that Mr. Hamberger research funding particulars with regard to the acquisition of Northside Park. He responded that it was purchased using "P-70 money", which was a state initiative for the improvement of state and local parks. Councilman Martin asked that a copy of the deed restrictions for the pool be emailed to Council and the Mayor.

Mayor Starliper advised that he will be hosting a tournament on September 25th at the Municipal Golf Course. The event will be held to benefit the Golf Course and Police Department.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. on a Greenawalt/Mumma motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda S. Knott
Administrative Assistant