Regular Meeting
August 9, 2012

President Tom DeLuca called the meeting to order. All members were present. Chief Jones & Attorney Fenchel were excused. A Little/Helbig motion approved the minutes. A Harker/Tate motion approved the officers' reports unanimously. Correspondence was read including a proposed contract from Cottrill/Arbutina for the real estate tax collector audit. Council will continue their services with Cottrill for the real estate audit. Mr. Bostek moved and was seconded by Mr. Heaton & the motion carried to hear the citizens present.

Kevin Farkas, 3706 West 8th Avenue complained about the speeding in the alley between 7th & 8th avenues. There are small children and the residents are concerned for their safety. Since the chief was unable to attend, Ms. Harker will contact him regarding the complaint.
Mr. Little moved to return to the regular order of business, was seconded by Mr. Tate with the motion carrying.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bostek said that speeding on Rock Avenue has slowed some and that Beaver Falls Police have been present more visibly. He also placed the COG salt order (60 tons) but missed the deadline for CoStars. All salt orders for this winter will be placed with COG.

Mrs. Helbig reported - none
Ms. Harker - none
Mr. Little – none

Mr. Heaton reported that the No Parking sign on Boyd was moved and the trees are all trimmed. West 2nd Avenue has been repaired. He inspected Knape Alley for a sink hole but couldn't locate one. 37th Street Alley was fixed and Mr. McNeely will check out the manhole to make sure that the sanitary sewer line is not collapsing and causing the problem. PTC asked when the work would be done on the road and it's when Youngblood's schedule permits. Greg Knowlson has a survey so that boundaries can be determined for Walnut Street to get trucks in and out.

Mayor Farkas reported that a solicitor's permit had been obtained by the "Ice Cream Man". A representative from Vocelli's Pizza was knocking on doors and giving out coupons for pizza. Mr. Farkas told him that he needed a solicitor permit but he never returned to obtain one.

Mr. Tate reported that Laurie Daugherty appreciated the borough's response and action to a problem in the alley adjacent to her residence.

Mr. DeLuca said that Youngblood will try to pave Mayfield Alley and Walnut Street this month. Their schedule is very busy. He suggested that the permits required for the borough should be posted on the website but wants to make sure of the legality. Mrs. Lansberry will check the resolutions that she has and Mr. DeLuca will check with Mr. Fenchel.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bostek reported would like to see the borough's ordinances posted on the website.

Mrs. Helbig opened a discussion on maintenance of the website. No one on council has the time or the computer knowledge to maintain the website and Kevin will do it for an additional $1000 per year. There was also some discussion about mentioning local business on the site as well. Mr. DeLuca questioned the legality of this and will contact our solicitor. Mr. Heaton asked about the ordinances and whether that is something that was included in the original fee agreed upon with the contract for building the website. That is included.
Mrs. Helbig also reviewed the code enforcement officer's report. The request from Mrs. Russell was not approved and action must be taken to get her property cleaned up. Several other areas must be cleaned up as well so Dawna will have to proceed.

Ms. Harker reported a parking problem on West 9th Ave. No Parking from here to corner signs will be erected to correct this problem. The baseball net will be put up for next season…scaffolding has to be used to put it up.

Mr. Little mentioned that there is an apartment on Boyd that has only one exit.

Mr. Heaton reported that White Township approached him about possibly merging their emergency management with us. As of August 1 they no longer have and EM coordinator. They will consider the information that was given them & Mr. Heaton will follow up next month.
The stone all rots out and runs over the hill every time it rains in the alley between 45th & 46th Streets. The street committee and road crew will look at it and make a decision as to the best way to fix it.

Mayor Farkas complained that the police are not enforcing the borough's "no parking in the wrong direction" ordinance. He also addressed the speeding issue in the alley behind West 8th. He spoke to the parent of the driver who is speeding and asked that she speak to her daughter about her driving and the danger to the kids who live in the neighborhood.
Amy Greco approached Mr. Farkas about opening a beauty shop in her basement. The zoning is residential but Mr. DeLuca will check with the solicitor about this. Ms. Greco will have to bring this to council.

Mr. Tate - none
Mr. DeLuca – none

A motion to pay the borough bills as listed on the bill list was made by Mr. Little, seconded by Mrs. Helbig and passed all in favor.

A motion to ratify purchases made by committees was made by Ms. Harker, seconded by Mr. Heaton and passed all in favor.

Mr. Little moved for adjournment at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Mr. Tate and passed all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Patricia Lansberry Secretary