Regular Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2015

President Tom DeLuca called the meeting to order. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Bostek who had knee surgery. A Little/McNeely motion approved the May minutes. The officer's reports were approved by a Tate/Heaton motion.

Mr. Heaton moved to hear the citizens present, seconded by Mr. Little. The motion carried.

Mr. LeRoy Curry, 3724 w 6TH Ave complained that someone from the borough told him that his property line had been changed and that the grass in front is no longer his. It was explained that no one from the borough has that authority and that if someone did have a survey done, it wasn't us. He insists that the borough now has to cut the grass in front of his house. We will look into the matter and try to resolve it.
Mr. Robert Tkacik, West 4th Avenue (Craig Alley) thanked the borough for their snow-plowing efforts this winter. He also reported that Craig Alley is in really bad shape and he understands that paving is too expensive. The street department employees will look at it and try to patch it. He also asked if the meeting minutes could be posted on the website. He likes to be informed as to what is going on in the borough but work schedules make it difficult for him to attend meetings. We will talk to Kevin about that.

With no other citizens present, a Harker/McNeely motion was made to return to the regular order of business. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Mrs. McNeely – none

Mr. Mike Rowe from Russell Standard was asked if changes could be made to the bid for the street paving. Mr. Rowe will be happy to work with council to see what the best procedure would be. There were some concerns that certain streets wouldn't hold up with tar and chip. Mr. Rowe will meet with Mr. Heaton and his committee on Monday at 8 a.m. to inspect the streets and come up with the best and most affordable plan for paving. A 7-day notice will be given by Russell Standard for commencement of work to begin. Mr. Bovalino will draw up a change-order for the contract.

Ms. Harker - none
Mr. Little – none

Mr. Heaton reported all of the paperwork for the name change of Project Road to West 10th Avenue had been submitted to county. He is waiting for them to do their part. The high grass on Patterson Avenue has been cut but is still not up to code. Jeff will work with Chris to resolve this situation. The Ford truck has been repaired but a 3rd pump had to be purchased with an additional $400 for installation. This pump was purchased directly from Ford so there should be no problem. Now the emergency brake cable is broken. There was some discussion about looking into buying a new truck – should budget it for next year. The installation of the new playground equipment has begun. Concrete needs to be poured in the holes to anchor the poles. The trash and garbage is still on Sand Alley so that needs to be dealt with again. The new fire department sign is up and running but the old sign needs to be removed. The juvenile workers for the summer should be available this month.

Mayor Farkas – Billy's ice cream truck has been permitted to solicit through October.

Mr. Bovalino – the new contract from PIRMA has been reviewed and it's okay to sign and return it to the company. He has reviewed all of the information received from Shannon Steele regarding the Joint user's tap in fee and is in agreement with Patterson Township. A resolution has been prepared for enactment to appoint a deputy tax collector for Kathy Brewer should she be unable to perform her duties. Ms. Harker moved to adopt Resolution 06-11-01, establishing a deputy tax collector for Mrs. Brewer. The Patterson Township tax collector will be responsible should Mrs. Brewer be unable to perform her duties. Mr. Little seconded the motion that passed all in favor.

Mr. Tate provided the borough with a new copier. It needs serviced and cleaned.

Mr. DeLuca has had numerous complaints about properties- Russell on High Street, Sobona on 37th Street, West 43rd Street properties. Mr. Bovalino will check into what can be done to demolish these houses and also see about sheriff sales.

New Business

Mrs. McNeely - none
Ms. Harker reported that there have been problems with kids being out after curfew, cars being broken into and there are needles at the park. The police need to be contacted and step up their patrols. Curfew is 11 p.m. during the summer.

Mr. Little reported that the fire department needs some gas and the security system at the park needs looked at. He also announced that the fire department is sponsoring a car cruise on August 23rd at the park.

Mr. Heaton reported that the tunnel at Ingrich Road had to be closed during the latest round of storms. The storm drain needs to be moved to the other side of the tracks. He will contact PennDot and the railroad to see if they will help with this. A garage on Sand Alley was pushed in because of excess water. They put up some cement barriers to fix the problem temporarily. A curb should be built and a catch basin put in on the other side of the road. He also asked if the fire department could have some help fixing their pad. Some of the pieces need removed so they would need the use of the bobcat and the cement mixer.

Mayor Farkas – none

Mr. Bovalino noted that the borough needs to revise some of their fees and also should consider adopting an international property maintenance code. He will research and present a draft at the next meeting.

Mr. Tate had a request from a resident about replacing her current mobile home with a new one. There was some discussion about zoning and setbacks, etc. The borough cannot actually refuse to allow a mobile home but all the codes will have to be met. Mr. Bovalino will research this as well.

Mr. DeLuca reported that the new street lights have been ordered and old lights will be replaced by LED lights. He was approached by PMAC who wants to donate a piece of property to the borough. The property in located on West 4th Avenue and was formerly a parking lot for the old B & W plant. Mr. Bovalino suggested that a title search be done to make sure there was no other use for that piece of property and that a non-disclosure statement should be included in the transaction. PMAC will deed the property to the borough for $1.00.
Mr. DeLuca is making some committee changes – Mr. Little will be placed on the park committee and Mr. Bostek will replace him on the sewer committee.

The bills were reviewed by Mrs. Lansberry and in addition to the bills on the bill list, an invoice was received from Mr. Bovalino for services rendered this month. Ms. Harker moved to pay the borough bills and was seconded by Mr. Tate. The motion carried.

Mr. Little moved to approve purchases made by committees and was seconded by Mrs. McNeely. The motion carried.

Mrs. McNeely moved for adjournment at 9:00. Mr. Little seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Lansberry