Regular Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2015

President Tom DeLuca called the meeting to order. All members were present. A Tate/McNeely motion approved the October minutes. The officer's reports were approved by a McNeely/Little motion.

Correspondence was read including a request from PennDot to pass a resolution permitting electronic filing of the Liquid Fuel reports as well as an application allowing a representative of the borough to do so.

Old Business

Mr. Bostek reported that 62 street lights have been installed with 42 remaining to be installed. The cost will remain at $109 per light and the reservations to have them installed must be received by Duquesne Light prior to August 1, 2016.

Mrs. McNeely - none
Ms. Harker - none
Mr. Little – none

Mr. Heaton asked the solicitor if the research on the 37th Street addresses had been done and they were not.

Mayor Farkas noted that he had forgotten to bring up the renovation of the Veteran's Memorial to be included in the budget. He is going to reach out to various organizations to see if there is any funding available.

Mr. Bovalino asked if there were any issues with the contract he had drafted for the traveling baseball league. Mr. Tate provided some minor changes – the season end should be changed from October to November; the porta-john will be leased from April through the end of October; Instead of 2 6-yard dumpsters the organization requested 1 8-yard locked dumpster. There is no issue with the renovation of the rest rooms.
Mr. Bovalino obtained some information regarding the PMAC property and is to receive a phone call from Mr. Robert Alpert on Monday. There is no change in donating the property to the borough. He will set up a meeting with Mr. Alpert to discuss the proposed transaction.
He has not had any response from Mr. Spratt regarding the damage claim.
A new draft of the police agreement was given to Shannon Steele along with a copy of the existing agreement for reference.

Mr. Tate purchased 2 jackets for Brian & A.J. at $35 each and will take them to the printer for logos.

Mr. DeLuca - none

New Business

Mr. Bostek - none

Mrs. McNeely informed council that a benefit for District Justice Bill Livingston will be held at the Patterson Township Fire Hall on Saturday from 4 until 7 p...

Ms. Harker said that the Borough Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 4 from 6 till 8:30 pm at the West Mayfield fire hall. The Beaver Falls Christmas Party will be at the West Mayfield fire hall on Friday, Dec. 18. Santa will visit the borough on the fire truck on Saturday, December 19.

Mr. Little asked if he could order nuts, bolts, etc. from the representative that he had mentioned at a prior meeting and the purchase was approved.

Mr. Heaton contacted Insight Pipe about relining the sewer line from Standard Street to the West 2nd Avenue manhole. This section of pipe is under 37th Street. He was given a quote of $15,000. Following some discussion, Mr. Tate moved to authorize the relining of the sewer line and was seconded by Mr. Bostek. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Jones notified the borough of a scam by representatives from a company based out of New York. They were arrested for dealing narcotics and have been totally banned from soliciting in the city. He strongly urged us to check into anyone seeking a solicitation permit. Chief Jones will give Mr. Heaton a copy of the accident report from the stop sign being knocked down so that a claim can be submitted to the driver's insurance company.

Mr. Bovalino - none
Mayor Farkas - none
Mr. Tate - none

Mr. DeLuca reviewed the budget and Mrs. Lansberry explained the changes that were made and the reasons for the changes. Mr. Heaton asked if PTC Alliance was going to close because that could adversely affect the budget. The company has no plans of leaving and therefore, no revenue will be lost. Mr. Tate moved to approve the preliminary budget with the noted changes and was seconded by Mr. Bostek. The vote was all in favor.

The increase in wages requested by Mr. McNeely was discussed. Mr. Tate had spoken with Brian and he agreed to accept a $1 per hour raise but is not at all happy about it. Council will agree to a $1 per hour raise and 2 weeks paid vacation for Mr. McNeely. There will be no overtime pay and he will be schedule 36 hours per week. Mr. Morrison's salary will increase from $8.50 per hour to $10.00 per hour after he completes his 90-day probationary period. He will receive 1 week paid vacation and be scheduled 32 hours per week. No vacations will be permitted during the heavy-snow period. Following the discussion Mr. Tate moved to give a $1.00 per hour raise and 2 weeks paid vacation to Mr. McNeely and to increase Mr. Morrison to $10 per hour with 1 week paid vacation after his probation. A roll-call vote passed the motion as follows: Mr. Bostek – yes; Mrs. McNeely – abstain; Ms. Harker – yes; Mr. Little – yes; Mr. Heaton – yes and Mr. DeLuca – yes;

Mr. Heaton moved to pass the resolution to permit electronic filing of PennDot documents and was seconded by Mr. Little. The motion passed unanimously.

The bills were reviewed by Mrs. Lansberry. Ms. Harker moved to pay the borough bills and was seconded by Mrs. McNeely. The motion carried.

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

Training of A.J. was given to Mr. McNeely and Mr. Little will also help.

Mr. Little moved for adjournment at 7:55 pm. Mr. Tate seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Lansberry