

Mill Village Borough Minutes: November 7, 2007

President Kathy Williams called the Mill Village Borough Council meeting for November to order at 7:30 p.m. Those present were: Rustin Peters, Linda Falconer, Ed Falconer, Ted Szall, Mayor-Joe Sam, Solicitor Tim Sennett and employee- Dawson Bogert, Sr. & employee-Dawson Bogert, Jr. Absent from meeting: Roberta McLaughlin and Steve Shered, Guests Present: Melody Cornell

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda:

-Rustin Peters made a **motion** to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Ed Falconer, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Consent Agenda:

- a.) Approval of Minutes for October 2007
- b.) Treasurer's Report: General Fund - \$ 1,598.70 State Fund - \$61,177.33 Capital Reserve- \$ 10,390.74 Petty Cash- \$59.63 Depot Street Grant: \$18,424.19
- c.) Pay monthly bills (moved to: "Items removed from consent agenda.")
- d.) Resolution #38 – Resolution Summary: An Ordinance to adopt an Intergovernmental Agreement for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform construction Code, for the purpose of appointing a joint board of Appeals, to be established and administered by the Erie County Association of Township Officials.

–Ed Falconer made a **motion** to approved the consent agenda as presented with the exception of moving the bills to "Items removed from consent agenda" so that council would have more time to review the bills. Second by Linda Falconer. All in favor, **motion carried**.

Borough Maintenance Report:

- a.) Item 1: Linda Falconer installed an new pamphlet box at the post office.
- b.) Item 2: Dawson Sr. met with council members to show them how to operate the new generator with the traffic light in town.
- c.) Item 3: Road closing sign up on Depot Street.
- d.) Item 4: Brush removed by Stop sign on Old Meadville Road and on Depot Street.
- e.) Item 5: Two leaf picks up have been completed.
- f.) Item 6: Dawson told Council that the safety light on the top of the Borough truck was not working and that a new one needed to be purchased. Ed made a **motion** that Dawson purchase a new safety light for \$100 or under. Ted seconded the motion. All in favor, **motion carried**.

Jobs for Maintenance Employee:

- a.) Item #1 – Girl Scouts will be using the Borough Building this Thursday from 7am until noon for the annual food sale.
- b.) Item #2 – Please Thank the firemen for watching over the trick-or-treater's this past Wednesday night.
- c.) Item #3 – Ask firemen to please install Xmas wreaths before Thanksgiving.
- d.) Item #4 – Linda said she had two more bags of leaves that needed to be picked up.

Public Comment: None.

Items Removed From Consent Agenda:

Pay monthly bills: Linda made a **motion** to pay the bills as presented to council. Ed seconded the motion, all in favor, **motion carried**.

Committee Reports:

- a.) 2008 Borough Budget Committee: (Ted, Linda and Kathy). The 2008 budget was presented to Council line by line and it was decided by some of the council members to advertise to raise the millage to 1.3 mills for 2008 (Kathy, Ed, Linda and Rusty agreed with the raise being 1.3 mills) to help balance the budget because of rising utility and operation costs and the fact that the revenue generated from the 1% wage tax collection would be significantly lower for 2008. Ted Szall wanted the millage increase to 1.1 mills rather than 1.3 mills. Council felt that with the 1.3 millage increase it would hopefully keep council from having to raise taxes for the next few years to cover increasing yearly costs. Ed made a **motion** to advertise councils intent to increase the millage to 1.3 with the budget adjustments based on the 1.3 mills and included in this motion is Council's intent to advertise the 2008 budget. Seconded by Rustin Peters. All in favor with the exception of Ted Szall being opposed, **motion carried**.
- b.) Tractor Committee (Ted, Ed and Mayor Joe Sam): Ed made a suggestion that the lawn tractor purchase be **tabled** until February 2008's agenda.

Correspondence:

Letters Received From:

- i. Halmi Engineering Firm – RE: asking Council to adopt a resolution (#56) allowing Mr. Ken and Vicki Yovich to install a small flow waste treatment plant at the old firehall location. Linda made a **motion** that resolution #56 be passed. Seconded by Ted Szall. All in favor, **motion carried**.
- ii. D.E.P. – RE: Permitting issues for Depot Street Bridge Project – Kathy talked to Mark Corey regarding this letter and Mark assured Kathy that he would be able to address the issues presented in this letter.
- iii. Erie County Emergency Management – RE: Compliance with EMS operations.

Letters Sent To:

- i. Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Blum – RE: Council's decision on the mailbox address change.
- ii. Erie Times News – RE: Ad for Ordinance #38 (UCC Board)
- iii. Dick Whitbread – RE: Thank you for key and price list for traffic light.

Unfinished Business:

- Kathy review all open items on list.
- Fill vacant seat on zoning hearing board. Council received a letter of intent from Mr. Ernie Brown to fill this vacant seat.
- Linda made a **motion** to accept the letter of intent from Mr. Ernie Brown and appoint him to the zoning hearing board. Ted seconded the motion. All in favor, **motion carried**.

New Business:

- a.) Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allison (2250 Gillette Street – 796-2815) would like a letter sent to Mr. Carmen Sagnimeni, 11 Sag Lane, Sandy Lake, PA 16145 regarding the height of the lawn at 2236 Gillette Street. Mr. Allison offered to mow the lawn for them, but has not gotten a response. Council said to send a letter to the owner to mow his lawn.
- b.) Resolution #56 RE: Plan revision for new development for Ken and Vicki Yovich (small flow waste treatment center).
- c.) Kathy appointed a committee (Kathy, Ted and Rusty) to meet with Mr. Mark Corey and Representative Curt Sonney RE: Depot Street Bridge Project. Kathy told the committee that this meeting would be as soon as possible and she would call to let the committee members know when it would be. Kathy asked Ed Falconer to be an alternate if someone on the committee could not make it.

Reports or General Comments from Borough President:

- a.) None.

Reports or General Comments from Borough Solicitor:

- a.) None.

Reports or General Comments from Mayor and Council Members:

- a.) *Mayor Sam* – No report details and/or general comments.
- b.) *Vice-President Szall* – No report details and/or general comments.
- c.) *Councilwoman Falconer* – No report details and/or general comments.
- d.) *Councilman Falconer* – Bob Rohrer told Ed that he could borrow his loader to clean up the transfer station within the next few days..
- e.) *Councilman Peters* – No report details and/or general comments.
- f.) *Councilwoman McLaughlin* – Not in attendance at tonight's meeting.
- g.) *Councilman Sherred* – No report details and/or general comments.

Reports or General Comments from Borough Secretary:

- a.) None.

Public Comment:

- a.) None.

Adjourn

- a.) Ed Falconer made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Seconded by Linda Falconer, all in favor, **motion carried**.

NEXT MEETING FOR COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON Wednesday, December 5, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M.