

Mill Village Borough Minutes: Wednesday – July 1, 2009

President Ted Szall called the Mill Village Borough Council meeting for July 1, 2009 to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the salute to the flag.

Those also present were: Roberta McLaughlin, Kathy Williams, Ed Falconer, Linda Falconer, Steve Sherred, Mayor Joe Sam, Borough Solicitor – Tim Wachter, and Catherine Wise - Secretary. Absent from the meeting was Don Mulson.

Guests Present: Don Marska. State Police Officer Pierce.

Linda Falconer motioned to accept the agenda as read, Steve Sherred seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Kathy Williams motioned to pass the Consent Agenda including the Minutes from the June 3, 2009 meeting and the June 30, 2009 Treasurer's Report, Ed Falconer seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's report:

General Fund: \$29,709.81

State Fund: \$ 64,532.41

Capital Reserve: \$ 10,820.87

Petty Cash: \$20.15

Secretary Report:

- Secretary will be attending the Right to Know Seminar Update on July 21, 2009. Linda Falconer motioned to pay half of the \$100.00 fee, Steve Sherred seconded. All voted yes.
- CDBG Funds application was presented. No Action Taken.

Jobs for Dawson Bogert:

- Grass growing up in the drains, council would like this removed.

Public Comment:

- Don Marska asked if council checked into the septic system at the old Firehall. DEP and Erie County Health Department were contacted. A letter will be forthcoming from the DEP before the next borough meeting.
- State Police Officer Pierce attended the meeting. Council spoke to him about vehicles, especially semi-trucks, speeding through town when children are waiting for buses and other times.

Committee Reports:

Unfinished Business:

- Steve Sherred made a motion to pay monthly bills, seconded by Ed Falconer. All voted yes.
- Correspondence was read and reviewed. The following items were submitted for review: *Erie County Conservation District Meeting, Association of Borough's Picnic, Department of Planning – 12 year transportation program, Smart transportation information and survey.*
- Streets that need tarring and chipping were discussed; Russell Standard and Waterford Shot & Chip will be contacted for quotes on the proposed streets. Council would like the bids to be separate for the 4 proposed segments of streets.
- Water is not flowing through the pipe at the Trailer Park. Council members will look at it before the next meeting.
- Woods Road has garbage dumped on it and the Center of the road is broken. It will be checked out.
- Shingledecker's have begun installing the guide rails on the Depot Street Bridge.

- The disconnection of the Electric meter was checked into, and the cost to reconnect each year would exceed the cost of keeping it hooked up.
- Discussion was held on Sidewalks again. Tabled until 2010, discussion to be held in February.
- Prices for LED Lights for the Traffic light were acquired and the cost was too much at this time. Cost would be approximately \$1,300.00 for the bulbs.
- Community Days: A Pot Luck Dinner/Dance will be held at the Firehall on August 29, 2009. The approximate cost for a Southern Rock/Western band is \$300.00. Ed Falconer motioned to sell 50/50 tickets and take donations toward the cost of the band and the Borough will cover any excess costs for the band and the cost to provide drinks such as lemonade and iced tea and or food, not to exceed \$350.00, Roberta McLaughlin seconded. All voted yes. Kids will be welcomed and this will be a non-alcohol event.

New Business:

- Roberta McLaughlin motioned to pay for Linda Falconer's fee to attend the Erie County's Borough Association Picnic, Kathy Williams seconded. All voted yes.
- A letter will be sent to Darryl Murray stating that he has 2 weeks to get a permit for his shed from Zoning Officer John Letzo.

General Comments from Council President: None

General Comments from Solicitor:

- Discussion was held on a Fire Escrow Ordinance which requires the Fire Insurer to check with the Borough, before they make any payments, to cover any costs the Borough has incurred in cleaning up or demolishing the house in the event that it was a nuisance or a hazard. Based on a nuisance ordinance, the insurer would pay the borough first before the home owner would receive the money. If the money is paid to the homeowner before the Borough incurs any expenses, then the home owner would be liable for the payment to the Borough. In the event a payment is not made a lien could be applied to the property. Copies of the nuisance ordinance will be made for council members and the ordinance may need to be updated to comply with new laws.

General Comments from Council:

Mayor Sam – State Representative Curt Sonney will be attending the August meeting, some topics that may be discussed are Casino Money, Grant Money and assistance in the process or applications, Government Legislation, Welfare and Police.

Councilwoman Kathy Williams – The north side of the underpass has sediment in it. In the event that it continues to build up, then complaint letters to the railroad will need to be sent..

Councilwoman Roberta McLaughlin – No Report

Councilwoman Falconer –No Report

Councilman Falconer – Will check with Dave Cannon at Penndot, if the 10 ton weight limit signs in the borough are legal. Ed thinks that Mill Village is grandfathered in for the postings.

Councilman Sherred – No report

Councilman Mulson – No Report

Ed Falconer moved to adjourn meeting @ 8:52 p.m. Seconded by Steve Sherred, all in favor, motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be held on **August 5, 2009** at 7:30 pm.

