

Mill Village Borough Minutes: Wednesday – June 3, 2009

President Ted Szall called the Mill Village Borough Council meeting for June 3, 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, Don Mulson, Mayor Joe Sam, Borough Solicitor – Tim Wachter, employee Dawson Bogert, and Catherine Wise - Secretary. Absent from meeting was Steve Sherred.

Guests Present: Susan George, Crissandra George, Don Marska.

Ed Falconer motioned to accept the agenda as changed, including scheduled speaker Don Marska and unscheduled speaker Susan George, Roberta McLaughlin seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Linda Falconer motioned to pass the Consent Agenda including the Minutes from the May 6, 2009 meeting and the May 31, 2009 Treasurer's Report, Kathy Williams seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's report:

General Fund: \$28,276.14

Depot Street: \$ 940.24

State Fund: \$ 64,485.96

Capital Reserve: \$ 10,812.50

Petty Cash: \$20.15

Secretary Report:

- Garage Sale Maps and lists of participants will be done by June 11, 2009.

Borough Maintenance Report from Dawson Bogert:

- Report on Clean Up Days – The Waste Management dumpster was only ½ filled again this year. May want to consider getting a smaller dumpster for next year. The cost will be available for the next meeting and it will be discussed.
- Garage Sale Sign is out.
- The building needs some maintenance done to it. Ted, Dawson and others will be working on various items that need done to it.
- The Overhead door is getting old; Council may want to consider getting a new one.

Public Comment:

- Don Marska would like council to check into the septic system at the old Firehall. He feels that it is on the property line. It states on the permit that it must be at least 10 feet from the line. He reported that a pine tree has been killed due to the new system. He also stated that the Zoning Officer should be paid to check on reported violations in the Borough. The Erie County Health Department will be called to check on this matter.
- Susan George proposed a fundraiser for the Mill Village Fire Department to be held during Community Days. Council approved of the idea and she was to pitch it to the Fire Department later that night.

Committee Reports:

Unfinished Business:

- Linda Falconer made a motion to pay monthly bills, seconded by Roberta McLaughlin. All voted yes.
- Correspondence was read and reviewed. The following items were submitted for review: Erie County Historical Society, Ltap-Training, A Recycling Summit, Moving Forward Newsletter, newPA news, County Greenways Plan.
- In regards to the New Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map, the meeting was held on May 26, 2009 and council passed the ordinance, President Ted Szall and Mayor Joe Sam signed the Ordinance. (See minutes from meeting.)
- Ted & Ed will check on streets that need tarring and chipping done and ditches that need cleaned out and improved before the next meeting. Russell Standard and Waterford Shot & Chip will be contacted for prices.
- The Garage should be partitioned off this summer, to help with heating.
- Don Mulson will be sending a letter to PennDot about the Guide rails and the telephone pole that is obstructing sight at the intersection on Main Street and Center Street. He took some very good pictures to demonstrate the problems.
- A letter will be sent to Mr. & Mrs. Yovich concerning repairing the sidewalk that was damaged during the construction of the apartments at the old Firehall. They also will be advised that the car that is parking on the North side of the building is still causing a site problem.
- Woods Road has garbage dumped on it and the Center of the road is broken. It will be checked out.
- Guide rails are still not installed at the bridge. Shingledecker's will be called to find out when this will be done.
- Mark Corey will be contacted for a final bill and the Grant Closeout report will need to be done in June. Ed Falconer motioned to authorize the secretary to pay Mark Corey from the Depot Street Grant money and from other funds. Roberta McLaughlin seconded the motion. All voted yes.

New Business:

- A letter was received from Penelec asking if the Borough would like to disconnect the Christmas light meter that is not being used at present time. Ed Falconer will check on the meter number on the meter pole, to make sure it is the meter which is not being used at this time. They will be called to check on the reconnection fee and if it would be cost effective to have it reconnected each year.
- LED Lights for the Traffic light was discussed. Prices for the bulbs will be acquired.
- Tax Collector Margaret Sam will not be running again for office. The voter's registration office will be contacted about who can fill the office if no one runs.

General Comments from Council President:

- Ted feels that the Ditches and Sidewalks should be prioritized. The Borough should go back to the agreement that the Borough pays half and the Property Owner pays half.
- Ted will talk to E.J. Brown at the Conservation District about prioritizing storm water management, there are 4 area that may need attention: 1. Stream coming out north of town. 2. The area between new bridge and big railroad culvert area where it floods on Gains' Property. 3. Behind Ted's house where it goes under railroad 4. Around the Cheese Factory area.

General Comments from Council:

Mayor Sam –Curt Sonney is planning on attending the August meeting. Questions and concerns need to be ready for when he comes.

Councilwoman Kathy Williams – Asked if Debrakeeler’s property was cleaned up. Yes it was.

Councilwoman Roberta McLaughlin – No Report

Councilwoman Falconer –A letter was sent out about mowing of the old Hick’s residence.

Councilman Falconer – Suggested that John Letzo should receive additional funds when checking on follow-ups to permit compliance. Tabled. Also, the Culvert need s looking at again, discussion was held on different ideas, but the railroad is responsible and/or proper permits would need to be acquire before anything can be done. E.J. Brown will be asked about this also.

Councilman Sherred – Absent

Councilman Mulson – No Report

Ed Falconer moved to adjourn meeting @ 9:05 p.m. Seconded by Roberta McLaughlin, all in favor, motion carried.

Next regular meeting will be held on **July 1, 2009** at 7:30 pm.

