

OCTOBER 20, 2010
WAYNESBORO, PA 17268
REGULAR MEETING

Council President Craig Newcomer called the regularly scheduled Council meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. (the meeting was advertised to begin at 7:00 p.m., however several Council members arrived late) with the following in attendance:

Borough Council Members – Benjamin Greenawalt, C. Harold Mumma, Craig Newcomer, Wayne Driscoll and Ronald Martin (Jason Stains was absent)

Mayor Richard Starliper

Borough Staff – Lloyd R. Hamberger, II, Borough Manager
Denny Benschhoff, Maintenance Superintendent
Dan Sheffler, Zoning-Code Enforcement Officer
Kevin Grubbs, Head of Engineering Services
Mark King, Police Chief
Dave Martin, Fire Chief

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Starliper led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE MINUTES: Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2010, as written. Councilman Mumma seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

ACCEPT REPORTS: Councilman Greenawalt made a motion to accept the reports of the Code Enforcement Officer, Police Chief and Fire Chief, as presented. Councilman Mumma seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: No report. Councilman Mumma noted that he will present one (1) item during the “voting” section of the meeting.

PROPERTY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: No report.

STREET COMMITTEE: No report. Councilman Martin announced that the Street Committee’s next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 27th, at 9:00 a.m., in Borough Hall’s second floor conference room.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE: No report.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE: President Newcomer reported that he met recently with Senator Alloway to discuss the proposed Memorial Bridge project. Senator Alloway requested a letter of support from the Borough in order for PENNDOT to proceed with the project. Mr. Newcomer requested that Council authorize preparation of the appropriate correspondence to Senator Alloway during the “voting” section of the meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

MAYOR’S REPORT: The Mayor’s Report was as follows –

“On October 14th at Borough Hall, I swore in the newest member of the Waynesboro Fire Police, Ronnie Hilton.”

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Solicitor Wisner noted that he will discuss several items which are listed on the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT - ITEMS ON AGENDA: None.

VOTING ON ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE REPORTS: Councilman Mumma made a motion to re-appoint Stephen Monn to a full term on the Waynesboro Planning Commission, as his previous term was due to expire on 10/20/2010. Accordingly, Mr. Monn’s new term would expire on 10/20/2014. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

As mentioned earlier in the meeting, President Newcomer noted that PENNDOT plans to revitalize the Memorial Bridge. Councilman Mumma made a motion to authorize letters of support for the project to Senator Alloway and Representative Rock. Councilman Greenawalt seconded. Discussion followed regarding specific plans for the renovation. It was noted that discussion has been held regarding renovating the west end to “WWI days” and the east end to “WWII days”, installing the “old style” lights which were originally used, and installing a walkway on the south side with a barrier separation to protect pedestrians as they cross the bridge. PENNDOT intends to let the bids for the project in October of 2014. The motion then passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UPDATE ON CEMETERY AVENUE STORMWATER PROJECT: Mr. Hamberger noted that Council tentatively awarded the bid for the Cemetery Avenue Stormwater Project at the last meeting, however some of the information they requested from the contractor has not yet been received. Solicitor Wisner noted that state approval of the DBE/MBE/WBE requirements must be obtained, and all contracts must be executed and submitted to PENNVEST prior to the loan closing in December.

UPDATE ON PENNVEST LOAN: As previously stated, the PENNVEST loan closing will be in mid-December. Solicitor Wisner explained that his firm (Salzmann Hughes, PC), as well as Dennis Black Engineering, is required to enter into an agreement with Borough Council for their professional services rendered with regard to the project. A copy of the Salzmann Hughes agreement was included in Council’s meeting packets, and a similar agreement will be forthcoming from Dennis Black Engineering. He added that this agreement is all-inclusive (and will cover the condemnation and right-of-way work required). Councilman Mumma made a motion to approve the letter of agreement with Salzmann Hughes, as described. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hamberger stated that pre-engineering costs were specifically discussed with PENNVEST. Mr. Wisner explained that a letter of no prejudice was received, which permits the work to be done. Reimbursement to the Borough for those costs, then, will be approved at the loan closing.

NEW BUSINESS

PLANNING COMMISSION ITEMS: Kevin Grubbs reported that the Waynesboro Planning Commission reviewed revised plans for the Franklin County Housing Authority at their meeting on Monday night. They are proposing to construct two (2) apartment buildings off W. Tenth Street, on a private street to be named Mt. Vernon Court, situated behind Mt. Vernon Terrace. After their review, the Planning Commission made a recommendation to Borough Council for approval, contingent upon several minor revisions. Information regarding the matter was forwarded to Borough Council prior to this evening’s meeting. Mr. Grubbs added that the Housing Authority is also currently working with the

Waynesboro Borough Authority regarding easements and water/sewer main extension agreements. He is hopeful that those will be finalized prior to Borough Council's next meeting.

PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL HEALTH INSURANCE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT: Mr. Hamberger presented a proposed agreement with the Pennsylvania Municipal Health Insurance Cooperative, and explained that this is simply a re-organization of the existing trust. He noted that these are the "same insurance people" we have been dealing with and who provided a \$40,000 rebate last year, and are proposing only a 7.2% increase next year. He and Solicitor Wisner have reviewed the agreement and are recommending Council's execution. Councilman Mumma made a motion to authorize execution of the agreement, as presented. Councilman Greenawalt seconded.

Councilman Martin pointed out that the employees' health insurance is currently costing \$90,000+/month ... this equates to \$1,080,000/year. He suggested that Council members discuss options regarding this matter during upcoming budget meetings.

A vote was then called, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE - NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

FRANKLIN COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE 2010 FALL BREAKFAST: Council members received an invitation to the Franklin County Drug Task Force's Annual Fall Breakfast to be held on November 12th at the Mountain Gate Restaurant. Those interested in attending were asked to advise Melinda Knott no later than November 3rd.

PAY BILLS: Councilman Mumma made a motion to approve the payment of the Voucher List dated 10/07. Councilman Greenawalt seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS: Mr. Hamberger noted that Council will adjourn to a budget session immediately following the regular meeting.

Councilman Driscoll apologized for his late arrival at the meeting. He reported that, several weeks ago, he had his first experience with telephoning 9-1-1 for an emergency situation. He noted that, within eight (8) minutes of the initial call, Sgt. Bock arrived on the scene; and within another minute, 12+ volunteers arrived to handle the situation. He stated that he was "quite impressed" with the response.

Police Chief King reported that the Police Department was awarded a grant in the amount of \$4,791 from the U.S. Department of Justice as part of the Bullet-proof Vest Partnership. In addition, he noted that the Police Department will participate in a National Safety Week event at the Kmart parking lot on October 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Fire Department was also be there; as well as other special attractions including Communities that Care (conducting child identification), Smokey the Bear, McGruff, Life Net medical helicopter and various food vendors.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m. on a Mumma/Greenawalt motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda S. Knott
Administrative Assistant