

MINUTES OF SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 6, 2017

Council President John McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Salute to the Flag. Those in attendance in addition to Mr. McDonald were Council members Gregory W. Kinard, Rebecca A. Kinard, John J. Neal, Zachary Stiles and William Stiles; Mayor Douglas Wagner, Secretary Cheryl D. Bahn, Solicitor D. Michael Craley. Gary L. Landis was absent from the meeting. The meeting was held at the Seven Valleys Fire Company, 35 Main St, in Seven Valleys Borough.

Hearing no corrections, President McDonald declared the minutes of the March 6, 2017 meeting approved as circulated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ethan & Kath Einsig, 3 Church St, were present to inquire about the apparent sink hole on their property. There is a sewage manhole cover in his yard. The sewer authority they came out and assured him that the sink hole problem close to the manhole is not related to the sewer. There is a 12" drain that comes across his property behind the old yellow church that drains his parking lot and two other properties. He indicated that these pipes may have collapsed. It appears that these pipes were privately installed to drain private properties not Borough property. The Municipal Storm drains are in the streets. The Secretary will check for storm sewer maps and Sewer drawings at the Borough Office and then contact the Borough Engineer. He will meet with Mr. Einsig and John McDonald to try to resolve the issue of who is responsible for repairs.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

No written report.

SOLICITOR'S PORTION OF THE MEETING

The Sewer Authority is still working on issues at 69 Main St including the issue of more apartments than assigned EDUs.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. The Anniversary Committee will write an article for the Spring Newsletter promoting the Anniversary Celebration. It will be needed by the May 1st Council Meeting. The release of the Newsletter and the street sweeping will be delayed until mid May.
2. Motion by Neal/G. Kinard to authorize Spring Grove Borough to sweep the streets in mid to late May – date to be determined. MCU
3. Motion by W. Stiles/Z. Stiles to authorize NCT to provide service of cleaning storm drains in the Borough. John McDonald will schedule with NCT. MCU.
4. Doug Wagner will make a photo ID for Rodney to use while delivering the Newsletter.
5. John McDonald voiced that he is willing to take a class to do Traffic Studies in the Borough, but since there are so few times when a study is needed the Borough could ask another municipality to do the study.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The submission deadline for CDBG Grant Applications is June 9, 2017. The Borough applied for 2 projects in 2014. One was Cherry Street and Maple Street curb and sidewalk improvements and the other was Church Street curb and sidewalk improvements. Motion by G. Kinard/R. Kinard authorize Holley Associates to resubmit the applications from 2014 and prepare and present the Resolution necessary for application at the May 1, 2017 Council meeting. MCU

2. SPCC invoices were reviewed by Council. Discussion regarding the cost of their services. Question if the Borough can continue to pay for the service. Even if other persons did the work in the same number of hours, the cost could be less. It is difficult to find a person who is a Zoning Building Permit Officer and also willing to do code enforcement. There are also other issues. **Motion** made by R. Kinard/Neal to ask Spring Grove Borough to provide Zoning/Building Permit and Codes Enforcement Officer services through an Intermunicipal Agreement. MCU SPCC will continue to be Sewage Enforcement Officer. **Motion** made by G. Kinard/Z. Stiles to authorize Mr. Craley to draft the authorizing Ordinance for the Intermunicipal Agreement to be signed at the May 1st meeting, pending Spring Grove expressing a positive response. MCU
3. Once Spring Grove meets on April 17th and confirms their willingness to provide services to Seven Valleys. The Secretary will contact SPCC and have them end their services to the Borough and only finish already existing ongoing zoning matters. No other services, such as Building Permits or Code enforcement, are authorized by SPCC. They will be asked to return all files and materials including Code Books.
4. The SVB Planning Commission did meet March 21, 2017 and recommended approval for the Special Exception for 21 Church St. The Zoning Hearing is scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 7:00 at the Fire Hall.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Period Ending 3/31/2017

PLGIT	\$ 7,452.26
Peoples Bank	<u>\$ 135,211.74</u>
	\$ 142,664.00
PLGIT Balance State Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 20,593.68

Motion made by/Neal/R. Kinard to approve, accept and file statement for audit. Also pay monthly payment to SWIF, York Water, Met Ed and SPCC \$2,140.00. MCU.

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/AROUND THE TABLE

1. Ethics statement are due to be filed with the Borough before May 1, 2017
2. Doug Wagner reported that he had attended the YCBA – March 30, 2017 in Stewartstown. The speaker was Blanda Nace on the topic of Blighted Properties. First line of defense against blight is to enforce Borough Codes.
3. PSAB- May 7-10, 2017 Hershey
4. The Invoices for converting the Street Lights to LED has been received. At this point in time, with the lights paid for, we have saved \$321.96 and will continue to save going forward.
5. A civil complaint was filed 3/27/2017 against 34 Church St. Zoning Report was reviewed by Council.
6. Lien Collection Report –3 outstanding liens.
7. The Sewer Authority report was reviewed by Council.
8. Zac & John are making a listing of pot holes in the Borough. Council will then find someone to do the repairs or go in with NCT for the repairs.
9. A Construction Trailer has been placed behind 35 Main St. It is for the Bridge Construction on SR 616.

With no further business to come before council, President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm. Next Borough Council Meeting will be Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Seven Valleys Fire Hall, 35 Main Street, and Seven Valleys.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Bahn, Secretary