

MINUTES OF SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, October 2, 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, Gary L. Landis, John J. Neal and William Stiles and Zachary Stiles; Mayor Douglas Wagner, Secretary Cheryl D. Bahn, Solicitor D. Michael Craley. Rebecca A. Kinard 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 September 6, 2017 meeting approved as circulated.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Zac Stiles brought a concern from Paul Lau to the Council Meeting. Mr. Lau is concerned that he has no written permission for a right of way from the County to access his land. He is concerned that if he were to sell his property, there would be no access. It appears that the best way to remedy the situation is to ask the County for a permanent right of way as described in a letter to him from the County, but not a recorded document. A document should be created between Mr. Lau and the County recorded giving him a permanent right of way to his property.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

No written report.

**SOLICITOR'S PORTION OF THE MEETING**

1. Miller Case - 35 Church St - A Judgement has been filed in the Court of Common Pleas against Mr. Robert E. Miller, Jr in the amount of \$7,525.88 Mr. Miller has not cleaned up his property to comply with Borough Ordinances. There are two options suggested to move forward. (1) The borough could Execute on the Judgment which would involve putting the property up for Sheriff's Sale to collect the Judgment. The Borough would then own the property and it could then be cleaned up and sold. There is a minimum filing cost to the County of \$3,000.00 to Execute Real Estate. (2) The Borough could initiate further Court Action asking for a legal injunction to force clean up and to also ask for attorney's fees. **Motion** by/G. Kinard /W. Stiles to authorize Mr. Craley to Execute on the borough's \$7,525.88 judgement against Robert E. Miller, Jr authorize all necessary costs. MCU
2. 21 Mason Ave – The owner is planning to provide permits related to his home on the property. The Zoning Officer was asked last month to issue a notice of violation and a notice to stop any activity that is not in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance, but that has not happened. Mr. McLucas should have the original permit in the files. Once a home was put on the lot, the owner would need to apply for a Zoning Hearing to ask for two uses on the property.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Pot hole listing on hold.
2. Mr. Craley will send a copy of a sample ordinance on the Quality of Life Ticketing Program and Property Maintenance Ordinance for Council review for the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Motion** made by G. Kinard/Landis to authorize signature of SPCA 2018 Contract for Animal Care at a cost of \$259.00. MCU
2. Price Quotes received for Snow Removal in the Borough. **Motion** made by Z. Stiles/Neal to accept the price quote form Hersh Concepts as presented. MCU

	Plow	Salt	Front End	Tri-Axel
Forbes Services	\$140.00	\$190.00	\$145.00	\$145.00
Hersh Concepts	\$75.00	\$125.00	\$110.00	\$76.00
Rudicilles	\$95 PU \$100 Dump	\$175.00	\$150.00	\$100.00
SV Landscaping	Declined			

3. While a new smart meter has been installed on old jail, there is no electricity going to the building. There is no service authorized for that building. The keys to the jail are currently held by John McDonald and Mayor Douglas Wagner.
4. Fire Relief money was received in the amount of \$2769.42. It will be sent to the Seven Valleys Fire Relief Association.
5. Six persons will attend the Annual YCBA Dinner Meeting 11.11.2017.
6. The Budget Committee meeting is scheduled for October 11<sup>th</sup>.
7. Council would like to receive the Sewer Authority Report with the meeting Packet. Secretary will find out if it could be sent to the Borough electronically.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT** - Period Ending 9/30/2017

General Fund	
PLGIT	\$ 3,377.49
PLGIT PRIME	\$ 142,503.13
Peoples Bank	<u>\$ 5,283.82</u>
	\$ 151,164.44
State Liquid Fuels Fund	
PLGIT	\$ 2,372.95
PLGIT PRIME	<u>\$ 13,056.63</u>
	\$ 15,429.58

**Motion** made by Z. Stiles/G. Kinard to approve, accept and file statement for audit. Also pay monthly payment to SWIF, York Water, Met Ed, YCBA, Forbes Services and DCED. MCU

**CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/AROUND THE TABLE**

1. Mayor Wagner reported he officiated at one wedding this quarter. He received \$100.00 for his services.
2. Code Enforcement Report was reviewed. Council asked that the Report be made available to them with the meeting packet. He will be asked to have the report to Cheryl via email no later than the last Friday before the date of a Council Meeting. Regarding 57-63 Maple St. A citation should be issued to the owner of the property under 105.3 with penalties under 105.5
3. Lien Collection Report 4 outstanding liens. All costs were paid for 149 Church St.
4. The Sewer Authority report was reviewed by Council.
5. The paid ambulance members are not included on the Workers Comp that the Borough pays for the Volunteer Members. Paid persons may not be volunteers for the Ambulance Company they are employed.
6. There is a part of a sign post at College/Cherry. John will check it out to see if it can be removed.
7. Gary Landis asked for a moment of silence for the victims in the Los Vegas tragedy and looked forward to the day when things like that do not happen.

With no further business to come before council, President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm. Next Borough Council Meeting will be Monday, November 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Seven Valleys Fire Hall, 35 Main Street, and Seven Valleys.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Bahn, Secretary