

SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH COUNCIL

April 7, 2014

The meeting of the Seven Valleys Borough Council was held on April 7, 2014 in the rear meeting room of the Seven Valleys Fire Company. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John McDonald.

In attendance: John McDonald, President
 Greg Kinard, Vice-President
 Edwin Zeigler
 Rebecca Kinard
 Zachary Stiles
 David Dietrich
 William H. Stiles, II
 Douglas J. Wagner, Mayor
 D. Michael Craley, Solicitor

I. The minutes of the March 3, 2014 council meeting were approved as distributed.

II. Public Comment - None

III. Engineers report

 A. Council reviewed the information from the Secretary concerning the Cherry Street and Maple Street Block Grant application from last year. Motion by Bill Stiles, seconded by Greg Kinard to continue/resubmit the application for this block grant cycle. MCU

 B. Discussion was held concerning submission of another Block Grant application for Church Street curbs and sidewalks. This matter will be tabled until the May meeting to allow council members to inspect the curbs and sidewalks on Church Street. In the event that council decides to approve the application and the Engineer cannot get it prepared for approval by the June 2, 2014 meeting, we will submit it next year.

IV. Solicitor's report

 Mr. Craley advised that John just provided him with a determination from the PA Workers' Compensation Review Board concerning volunteer firefighter Sullivan, who was injured on September 8, 2013. The WCRB determined that SWIF (State Workers' Insurance Fund) did not pay York Hospital in a timely manner and must also pay them 10% interest on the outstanding bill. No action is required by the Borough Council.

V. Unfinished Business

A. Mulberry Street- John is still getting names of owners.

B. Street Signs - John meets the qualifications to inspect street signs since he is 60 or older and drives an SUV that is 2000 or newer. He proposed to drive around the borough at night and do a visual inspection of reflectivity and compile a plan for review by council of sign repair and replacement. Motion to authorize John to do this by Dave Dietrich, seconded by Bill Stiles. MCU

VI. New Business

A. Candace Fallin, 109 Main Street, requested relief from solid waste collection due to a fire rendering the property at 109 Main Street uninhabitable. Section 96-11 of the Code of Ordinances allows suspension of service on a semi-annual basis if another form of trash collection is used. So if she has a big dumpster there for restoration, she would qualify. John said the big dumpster was there for about two weeks but is now gone. Mr. Craley indicated that if that is the case she does not qualify for the exemption. Motion by Dave Dietrich, seconded by Rebecca Kinard to deny the request. MCU

B. Snow Removal- Motion by Bill Stiles, seconded by Greg Kinard to authorize the Secretary to invoice the property owners whose properties were cleared by Forbes after the March snowstorm, and to remind the property owner that if they do not pay the invoice, they will be liened and a \$350.00 lien filing fee will be added to the bill.

C. Street sweeping- John will find a place to dump the stones and contact the Secretary so she can inform Spring Grove.

D. Seven Valleys Fire Box Alarms. John spoke with the Chief and Assistant Chief of the fire company, and they are ok with the Borough approving the York County Control box alarm amendments. Motion to approve and authorize John to sign by Greg Kinard, second by Bill Stiles. MCU

E. EOC plan amendments. Motion to approve and authorize John to sign by Greg Kinard, second by Rebecca Kinard. MCU

VII. Financial Reports.

Motion to approve, accept, file the financial reports for audit and to pay any usual and customary bills prior to the next meeting by Zach Stiles, seconded by Dave Dietrich. MCU

VII. Correspondence

A. Secretary's Report- written report items were discussed. John noted that the Secretary is absent from this meeting because she is attending a PSAB event in State College on behalf of the borough.

B. Mayor's report - Doug has heard that there may be a buyer for Serenity Station, and will keep us informed.

C. Zoning/UCC - While driving with Wayne Smith, John found PSP Trooper Alexander and together they all tagged two cars on Cherry Street as abandoned vehicles, both of which were subsequently towed.

D. Comments around the table-

1. Greg questioned a shed being constructed without a permit to the rear of approximately 120 Church Street off Frystown Lane. John will call Wayne to have him investigate.

2. Ed noted that the trees were removed from the creek and it is flowing better. John said that DEP advised that limbs can be removed from the water, but no alteration of the roots or trunk on land is permitted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m. by President McDonald. Next meeting date Monday, May 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by D. Michael Craley, Solicitor,
for Cheryl Bahn