

MINUTES OF SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, April 6, 2015

Council President John A. 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, William H. Stiles, II, Zachary W. Stiles and Edwin E. Zeigler, Mayor Douglas J. Wagner, Secretary, Cheryl D. Bahn and Solicitor, D. Michael Craley. David M. Dietrich and Rebecca Kinard were absent from the meeting. The meeting was held at the Seven Valleys Fire Company, 35 Main St, in Seven Valleys Borough.

President McDonald declared the minutes of the March 2, 2015 meeting approved as circulated.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Richard Weidman, 132 Main St, was present in response to an enforcement notice sent by Wayne Smith concerning the number of dogs on his property. He was directed to have only 3 dogs on his property before April 16, 2015 in order to avoid continued action by the Borough. Mr. Weidman reported that he has more than the allowed number of dogs as his son's best friend lost his job and home last fall and he came with 6 or 7 dogs. He built a kennel at the 132 Main St property. Mr. Weidman invited him to live in the apartment/former wrestling club at his home. He is asking for additional time to rid the property of the excess dogs. Two of Mr. Weidman's own dogs are leaving soon. As soon as his son's friend, who just got a new job six weeks ago, saves enough money - his family will be moving out with his dogs. They want to find decent homes for the dogs. They are asking for an additional 3 months to be in compliance with the Zoning Ordinance. A kennel is not allowed in the Residential Zone.  
**Motion** by Z. Stiles/G. Kinard to instruct the Zoning Officer not enforce the existing enforcement notice against Mr. Weidman until after the July 6<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting thereby allowing Mr. Weidman three months until July 16, 2015 to come into compliance unless there additional complaints or problems that come to Council regarding the animals on the property. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Todd Howdyshell, 1391 Seven Valleys Road, was present to inquire about organizing an event to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Borough August 23, 2017. He was asking for approval to move forward with a steering committee of interested persons and report to Council on a monthly basis. Amy Howdyshell was also present. While several persons have expressed interest, those persons wanted approval of council before moving forward. The Borough is fine with him continuing with developing plans for the celebration.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

No written report

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

No written report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Curb painting will be starting soon.
2. John will check the storm sewers as well as pavement on South Street and Maple Street at the farm.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Spring Grove Borough will provide Street Sweeping in Seven Valleys on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. John will contact the Secretary with a place nearby for Spring Grove personnel to unload the used street stones.
2. W. Stiles/Zeigler made a **motion** to authorize Mr. Craley to place a lien on the 42 Main St property as the invoices that were sent for having the Borough remove the snow and ice from their sidewalk has not been paid to date. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT** - Period Ending 03/31/2015

PLGIT	\$ 3,386.63
Peoples Bank	<u>\$ 154,853.40</u>
	\$ 158,240.03
PLGIT Balance State Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 13,022.32

**Motion** made by G. Kinard/W. Stiles to approve, accept and file statement for audit. Plus pay the April payment to SWIF, \$7.25 to York County for tax bills, Prothonotary \$55.00 and Rodney Barshinger as invoiced for delivering newsletters. Motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/AROUND THE TABLE**

1. Secretary' Report
  - John and Cheryl attended the YCBA Meeting. A speaker from York County Planning Commission spoke on the Home Improvement Program and the Weatherization Program for improvements to income qualified households.
  - Mike will report in May on a program to reduce Workers' Comp premiums if a Safety Committee is formed in the Borough. It would be difficult for a small borough to meet the qualifications outlined by the State.
2. Lien Collection Report - 5 outstanding.
3. The Sewer Authority report was reviewed by Council.
4. The Zoning/UCC Report was reviewed by Council. John plans to meet with the State Police to find out why they are not enforcing Section 7303.1 of the vehicle code regarding removal of abandoned vehicles.

With no further business to come before council, President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm. The next Borough Council Meeting will be Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Seven Valleys Fire Hall, 35 Main Street, Seven Valleys Borough.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Bahn  
Borough Secretary