

MINUTES OF SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, August 4, 2014

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 David M. Dietrich (7:20 pm), Gregory W. Kinard, Rebecca 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. The meeting was held at the Seven Valleys Fire Company, 35 Main St, in Seven Valleys Borough.

President McDonald declared the minutes of the July 7, 2014 meeting approved as circulated.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Meg Fullerton, The Valley Tavern, presented an offer to provide 100 hot dogs & rolls, condiments, snacks and all disposables as well as apple cider for the October 31, 2014 Halloween Trick or Treat evening from 6 pm-8 pm. There would be tents and tables set up at The Valley Tavern parking lot. She also requested that that the event be advertised in the Fall Newsletter. She also asked for volunteers from Borough Council to help distribute the food, drink & goodies. She will check to find out if she can order the cider through her suppliers. If not available Greg will purchase the cider for the event and be reimbursed. **Motion** made by G. Kinard/Z. Stiles to accept Meg Fullerton's offer and conditions for the Halloween party and to reimburse her for the Borough's share of the cost of the food and drink, not to exceed \$200.00. Motion carried unanimously.
2. A letter was received from Christina Davis, 17 Church Street. Mr. McDonald suggested that pictures be taken before enforcement notices are mailed. There was a meeting of the owners of the three adjoining properties of 17 Church St, 21 Church St and 8 Cross St; to be clear about where the property lines may be. The properties owners are in the process of cleaning up the properties.
3. The County Parks did clean up around the Main St bridge and the guard rail at Cross Street. Apparently there is a law that Rail Roads are exempt from cleaning/mowing their properties. At that point the owners of the adjoining properties would be responsible. Hopefully the County Parks will continue to mow the property along the Rail Trail.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

No Engineer's Report

**SOLICITOR'S PORTION OF THE MEETING**

No Solicitor's Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. No action to report on Mulberry Street.
2. Curb painting - The painter will continue the project this month.
3. Sink areas on Shaffer Lane and sink hole on Oak St. The Sewer Authority checked the sewer main with a camera and found no problems with the sewer causing the sink holes. A temporary patch was installed. The Borough will continue to monitor the area.
4. A sink hole has developed in front of 34 Main St - which has gone from being a hole straight down to being a hole about 2' wide and 2' deep - next to the storm drain. John would like to find out where the water is coming from. It may be that we will need to fill it in by filling it with concrete. John will find out what it might cost to fix it.

5. The Dog Warden was notified and came out to the Borough and visited the owners at 132 Main St. The Dog Warden cited the property owners. They were given notice that they need to keep their dogs under control.
6. There is a dumpster at 109 Main Street. Council could re-open the request for an exemption from refuse fee. No action was taken. The property was also reported to York County West Nile because of three issues of stagnated water, a pool, a pond and various tarps. The County came and treated all three. The owners were also sent an enforcement notice for non-compliant weeds and grass.
7. There was a camper at 149 Church Street with a sewer hose running to the creek. DEP was notified. The hose has been removed. The property was also sent an enforcement letter for non-compliant weeds and grass. The property has been mowed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT** - Period Ending 07/31/2014

PLGIT	\$ 6,196.03
Peoples Bank	<u>\$ 153,805.88</u>
	\$ 160,001.91
PLGIT Balance State Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 10,076.23

**Motion** made by W. Stiles/R. Kinard to pay the bills listed on the Financial Report. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/AROUND THE TABLE**

1. John & Zach will fill out a Community Needs Survey for YCPC after the meeting.
2. Lien Collection Report - 5 outstanding.
3. The Sewer Authority report was reviewed by Council.
4. The Zoning/UCC Report was reviewed. 11 Property owners were sent enforcement notices for grass and weeds. Wayne did write a letter to The Valley Tavern that tables on the sidewalk, which are not blocking the sidewalk, is not in violation of the Borough Code.
5. A notice was sent to the Growmark property owner regarding junk vehicles on the property that need to be removed. It appears that there is a shed and a garage on Growmark property with out Growmark's permission. There are also junk vehicles on the property that do not belong to Growmark. The property is not a right of way. This is a private issue not a Borough issue. The junk vehicles are a Borough issue and Wayne is taking care of that issue.
6. There appear to be chickens living on the 42 Church St property and a Pot Belly Pig at 132 Main St. Wayne will address these issues.

With no further business to come before council, President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm. Next Borough Council Meeting will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Seven Valleys Fire Hall, 35 Main Street, Seven Valleys Borough.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Bahn, Secretary