

MINUTES OF SEVEN VALLEYS BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, November 7, 2011

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, Larry E. Garland, Gregory W. Kinard, Rebecca Kinard, Robin L. Venable and Edwin E. Zeigler, Mayor Steven A. Venable, Secretary Cheryl D. Bahn and Solicitor D. Michael Craley. Clarke T. Schuyler was absent from the meeting. The meeting was held at the Tri-Community Ambulance Association's Building, 11 Main St, in Seven Valleys Borough.

Hearing no corrections, President McDonald then declared the minutes of the October 3, 2011 meeting approved as circulated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

No one was present for the 7:00 pm Public Hearing regarding the adoption of an Ordinance that would authorize signature of a Renewal Agreement with Comcast.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Dave Lipinski, Holley Associates, sent three prices to the Secretary for the Maple Street Culvert Repair work. The drawing states that the work is to 1. furnish and install R-4 Rip-Rap at eroded scour holes and match to existing stream grades on south side of Maple Street. 2. Furnish and install R-4 Rip-Rap along eroded embankment to match existing surrounding grades on north side of Maple Street and 3. Furnish and install soil along existing eroded embankment. Match to existing surrounding grades. Seed and cover with a permanent turf reinforcement mat installed per manufacturer specifications on the south side of Maple Street.

Douts Excavating, LLC - \$825.00

H & H General Excavating Company- \$1,400.00

Easy-Dig Excavating Inc - \$3,175.00

Motion made by Garland/G. Kinard to award the work to Douts Excavating at a cost of \$875.00. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR'S PORTION OF THE MEETING

1. **Motion** made by R. Kinard/Garland to adopt Ordinance No. 1-2011 a Refuse Collection Ordinance including provisions that would allow the collection of fees incurred by the Contractor to collect delinquent accounts. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **Motion** made by R. Venable/G. Kinard to adopt Ordinance No. 2-2011 an Earned Income Tax Ordinance amendment to be in compliance with Act 32. Motion carried unanimously. Certified copies will be sent to both YATB and DCED.
3. **Motion** made by Zeigler/R. Kinard to adopt the Comcast Renewal Ordinance Authorizing signature of the Comcast Renewal Agreement. Motion carried unanimously he Agreement will be signed and a copy will be sent to Comcast.
4. The Sewer Authority will keep us updated on the dates of the Debt Reduction Ordinance and advertisements. They have been delayed.
5. The amended Storm Water Management Ordinance is on hold until further notice.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion** by R. Kinard/Zeigler to approve and authorize signature of an Agreement with the Fire Company for the Fire Company to store Antiques in the Borough's Old Fire House/Jail on Cherry Street. Motion carried unanimously. The signed agreement will be presented to the Fire Company for their authorization and signature.
2. **Motion** by G. Kinard/Garland to waive reimbursement of \$126.50 to the Borough by the Fire Company for legal fees paid by the Borough for drawing up the Agreement to store Antiques in the Old Fire House/Jail. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Motion** by G. Kinard/R. Kinard to set the dates for the 2012 & 21023 Seven Valleys Council Meeting as follows: Wednesday, January 4, 2012, Monday, February 6, 2012, Monday, March 5, 2012, Monday, April 2, 2012, Monday, May 7, 2012, Monday, June 4, 2012, Monday, July 2, 2012, Monday, August 6, 2012, Wednesday, September 5, 2012, Monday, October 1, 2012, Monday, November 5, 2012, Monday, December 3, 2012. Monday, January 7, 2013, Monday, February 4, 2013, Monday, March 4, 2013, Monday, April 1, 2013, Monday, May 6, 2013, Monday, June 3, 2013, Monday, July 1, 2013, Monday, August 5, 2013, Wednesday, September 4, 2013, Monday, October 7, 2013, Monday, November 4, 2013, Monday, December 2, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Greg Kinard presented the 2012 Proposed Budget had been developed by the Budget Committee. The proposed budget calls for revenues of \$91,390.00 along with cash and investments to total \$210,500.52 available in the General Fund and revenues of \$11,098.00 along with cash and investments to total \$12,863.70 available in the State Highway Aid Fund. Total expenditures of \$93,284.26 in the General Fund and \$10,000.00 in the State Highway Aid Fund. The budget includes a 1.2 mill Real Estate Tax, the 1/2 of 1% Earned Income Tax and the 1/2 of 1% Real Estate Transfer Tax. This reflects no change in current rate of taxation. One change was to add a line item for the Foreign Fire Insurance Payment to the Fire Relief Association, instead of combining it with the Borough Contribution to the Fire Company. **Motion** by Garland/G. Kinard to accept the draft budget presented, with the separation of the Fire Company Contribution and the Foreign Fire Insurance addition, as the 2012 Preliminary Budget. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Motion** by Zeigler/R. Venable to authorize the Secretary to advertise the preliminary budget and to authorize the solicitor to advertise the 2012 real estate tax ordinance at 1.2 mills. The Secretary shall also put the proposed budget on the website. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Secretary spoke with Jeff Grove, Peoples Bank. The bank has offered to do a loan modification to reduce the rate from 4.2% to 3.91%, which would save approximately \$2,800.00 over the remaining term of the loan. There was a discussion whether the amount saved would be more than the cost to do the paper work necessary. Mr. Craley will check with Mr. Peter Carlucci, Bond Counsel, to find out what the costs and costs might be to the Borough.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Period Ending 10/31/2011

PLGIT	\$ 7,489.97
Peoples Bank	\$ 125,768.86
York Federal Tax Collector Account	\$ 50.00
	\$ 133,308.83
PLGIT Balance State Liquid Fuels Fund	\$ 4,751.25

Motion made by Ziegler/G. Kinard to pay the bills as listed on the Financial Report and to approve the financial statement and place it on file for audit. Also authorized were the following payments: John A. McDonald - \$107.04 Reimbursement Halloween Refreshments and Pay Check to Rodney Barshinger for delivering Newsletters. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS/AROUND THE TABLE

1. A SVB Police Patch was sent to the Police Heritage Museum as approved by Council.
2. Since The York County Resource Recovery Center is increasing their disposal fee to \$59.00 per ton as of January 1, 2012. It reflects a \$3.00 per ton increase – First increase in 20 years. Our Contract with Penn Waste does allow for an increase if the York County Resource Recovery Center increases the rate to the hauler. As a result, Penn Waste will increase the annual rate from \$209.40 to \$213.44.
3. A letter was received a letter from the State Auditor General indicating that the higher amount received for the Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association this year was a one time spike and will not reoccur in the future.
4. One Code Book #7 is still missing. There is a difference of opinion as to who had the book last. If the Borough needs another Book, we will either order a new one or make a copy.
5. Mr. McDonald informed the Council that Council Meeting will be able to be held in the Fire Company in 2012. Work has been going on. The bathrooms have been reconstructed and are in the process of being painted. They still need to decide on alterations and restorations. They do have a permit for the work that is to be done.
6. There are still chickens running free at 23 Maple Street. Mr. Smith will follow up on this issue.

With no further business to come before council, President McDonald adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Next Borough Council Meeting will be Monday, December 5, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Tri-Community Ambulance Building, 11 Main Street, Seven Valleys Borough.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl D. Bahn, Secretary