

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF JANUARY 5, 2015**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015, AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Council Members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Vice President, Kathleen Zdonowski, Robin Davis, Joe Gosnell, Cindy Hower, Rosemarie Wenzelberger and Carl Zito.
- Mayor Charlie Davis and Borough Secretary/Treasurer Anita Caughy were in attendance along with Officer Eric Schwab.
- Solicitor Gary Asteak was present.

The Meeting was called to order by Council President, Amy Richard, at 7:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

- Eric Wenzelberger of Center Street requested a handicap parking spot in front of his house. Amy Richard stated she would speak with the Zoning Officer.
- Mr. Kocher of Old Easton Road stated that trucks are unable to make the turn on Faith Avenue. A sign should be put up advising how to leave Longs Development. Amy Richard stated she would discuss the issue with the Zoning Officer and see if a sign could be put up to solve the problem.

Council Comment

- Rosemarie Wenzelberger mentioned that a date was incorrect on the calendar. She was advised that it has been corrected.
- Amy Richard read the thank you cards to council that were received with regard to the fruit baskets.

Secretary / Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Robin Davis, seconded by Carl Zito to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2014 as written. Motion carried unopposed.
- **Motion** by Carl Zito seconded by Kathleen Zdonowski to approve Accounts Payable for the General Fund and Sewer Fund through January 5, 2015. Motion carried unopposed.
- Statements of Financial Interest were distributed for all Council members to complete and return to the Borough office.
- Hazardous Waste Drop-off is scheduled for May 30, 2015 and October 10, 2015 at Northampton Community College.

Mayor Report

- The Mayor had nothing to report.

Police Report

- Officer Eric Schwab informed everyone present that the individual who stole several items out of residents' cars on July 30, 2014 in Longs Development and other areas has been identified by a fingerprint and video. He has obtained an arrest warrant and he would be arresting the person the next day. The person was not a Stockertown resident. There is a second accomplice who they are trying to identify in the video.

Zoning Report

- Nothing to Report.

Public Works

- Amy Richard advised council that John Polak from Public Works has been let go.

Solicitor Report

- Solicitor Asteak stated that he has nothing to report. He is still waiting to hear from Lonestar.

Agenda

- Amy Richard read the 2015 Appointments to council and residents present.
- Gary Asteak stated that Chris Burmood has to be listed as an Assistant Borough Secretary/Treasurer and that Council cannot appoint the Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor so that needs to be stricken from the appointments.

2015 Appointments are as follows:

- **Anita Caughy** as Borough Secretary/Treasurer/Right to Know Officer
- **Chris Burmood** as Assistant Borough Secretary/Treasurer
- **Gary Asteak** as Borough Solicitor
- **John Soloe** as Chief of Police and Zoning Officer
- **Karl Alex Hennings** as Road Crew Foreman
- **Alex Soloe** as Emergency Management Coordinator
- **Keycodes Inspection Agency** – Formerly Keystone Consulting Engineers as the Borough Engineers
- **Keystone Code Enforcement** as Sewage Enforcement Officer
- **SC Engineers** as the WWTP Engineers
- **Kevin Franks** as Wastewater Treatment Operator
- **Kathleen Zdonowski** as Secretary for the Planning Commission
- **H.A. Berkheimer** as the Tax Collector for Local Service Tax (LST) and Delinquent Earned Income Tax (EIT).

- **Amy Richard** as Tax Collection Commission Delegate
- **Kathleen Zdonowski** as Tax Collection Commission Delegate Alternate
- **C. Jane Bachman, CPA** as the Independent Accountant for Annual Audit purposes
- **Paychex, Inc.** as the Payroll Provider
- **Charles Davis** as the Nazareth Council of Government Delegate and Delegate to the Bushkill Stream Conservancy.
- **Joe Gosnell** as the Nazareth Council of Government Delegate Alternate
- **Rosemarie Wenzelberger** as the Alternate Delegate to the Bushkill Stream Conservancy
- **Motion** by Joe Gosnell, Seconded by Carl Zito to approve the 2015 Appointments as amended.
- Amy Richard advised that the Invoice for General Code is due. The invoice is in the amount of \$1,195.00 and covers only the maintenance of the website. It was agreed by council to discontinue their services. Solicitor Asteak suggested the Borough get a written proposal from Robin Abbate who will add the Codes to the Borough's website.

Old, New or Unfinished Business

- Rosemarie Wenzelberger stated that the SYA would like to take over the distribution of the holiday fruit baskets. Amy Richard stated that it would be great if they took over. Many residents appreciate receiving the baskets.
- Eric Wenzelberger questioned what happened with the executive session at the last meeting. He was advised that no action was taken.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Robin Davis, Seconded by Carl Zito to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:55 PM. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:30 PM.

The foregoing was approved the **21st** day of January, 2015.

 President of Council

Attest:_____