

**STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2013**

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A MEETING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2013, AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Council members present were: Council President Amy Richard, Council Vice President Paul Zaboy, Sr., Mr. Joe Gosnell, Ms. Cindy Hower, Mrs. Rosemarie Wenzelberger, Ms. Kathleen Zdonowski, and Mr. Carl Zito.
- Police Chief/Zoning Officer John Soloe, Mayor Charlie Davis, Borough Solicitor Gary N. Asteak, and Secretary/Treasurer Chris Burmood and Anita Caughy were in attendance.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by Council President Amy Richard, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment

- Earl Kocher of 300/302 Old Easton Road, inquired as to whether there were set days for leaf pickup. He stated that there were still piles on his street.
- Eric Wenzelberger, of 111 Center Street, handed a piece of paper left on his door to Amy Richards. She advised that they would discuss the contents in executive meeting.

Council Comments - None

Secretary/Treasurer Report

- **Motion** by Paul Zaboy, Sr., seconded by Carl Zito, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2013 budget meeting, with one correction, noted below. Motion carried unopposed.
- Last paragraph advising that next Budget meeting should be corrected to November 27, 2013
- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Paul Zaboy, Sr., to approve the General Fund payables, Sewer Fund and Rail to Trails Fund payables through November 18, 2013. Motion carried unopposed.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Davis requested that Council consider paying Association of Mayor Membership of \$50.00

Police Report

- Chief Soloe went over the 30 Day Call Service Report for October 15, 2013 through November 15, 2013 showing a total of 95 calls.
- Paul Zaboy inquired as to whether the 911 hang ups had increased and Chief Soloe stated yes and that they were quite a nuisance.
- Amy Richard inquired as to the animal reports and was advised that there were no stray animals reported, just barking.

Zoning Report

- Mr. Soloe had nothing to report.

Public Works Report

- Paul Zaboy advised that they are cleaning up Industrial Blvd. which will be it for the Rails to Trails project other than the trail crossing signs being put up once the mountings are put in. He advised that the white circles on the grass were where they will be positioned.
- Amy advised that the yellow dump truck is sitting up on the Rails to Trails because it needs a new pulley installed, which is on order.

Solicitor Report

- Mr. Asteak stated that all comments will be discussed in Executive Session.

Emergency Management Report – No Report

Agenda Items

- 2013 Budget Review for General Fund and Sewer Fund were discussed and some changes are to be made before approval.
- 2014 Real Estate Tax millage – Council agreed that there will be no increase in real estate taxes or sewer taxes for the 2014 year, pending final review at the next meeting.
- 2014 Calendar was discussed with some minor changes to be made

New, Old, or Unfinished Business

- Mr. Burmood presented breakdown for two all-in-one copier/fax/scanner/printer machines, one color, and one black-and-white.
- Fruit baskets – Rosemarie Wenzelberger advised that she has compared the prices for the fruit baskets between Giant and Weis Markets. She needs to place order 2 weeks before delivery. Robin Davis is looking into what kind of discount she can get from Weis Market.
- Morgan Schafer of 304 Old Easton Road, inquired as to the safety of the rails crossing and why it was put where it is. Paul Zaboy and Attorney Asteak advised that the crossing was put in accordance with PennDOT's specifications. Paul also advised that once everything is finished that he will request PennDOT reduce the speed limit at the spot from 45 mph to 35 mph which would help with safety issues. Morgan Schafer also questioned how much of the expense was the Borough's responsibility. Paul advised him that all but \$100,000.00 was Borough's, but that he is still waiting for answers on additional Grants which were applied for.
- Robin Davis inquired about dogs going to the bathroom on the trails and what could be done about it. Paul Zaboy advised that the trails are not open yet so no one should be on them at this time. Robin suggested that when they are opened whether garbage cans could be put along the trail. Kathleen Zdonowski suggested that posts be put up along the trail with bags for people to clean up their dog's waste.

Executive Session

Motion at 8:20 pm, by Carl Zito, seconded by Paul Zaboy, Sr., to enter executive session for Legal matters which will **conclude the** meeting. Motion carried unopposed.

Motion at 8:43 pm, by Paul Zaboy, Sr., seconded by Carl Zito, to exit executive session. Motion carried unopposed.

Adjournment

- **Motion** at 9:15 pm by Paul Zaboy, Sr., seconded by Carl Zito, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unopposed.

The next regular meeting of Borough Council will be held on Monday, December 2, 2013 at 7:30 pm. The next Budget meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 27, 2013 at 7:30 pm. The foregoing were approved the 27th day of November, 2013.

President of Council

Attest: _____