

STOCKERTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF APRIL 4, 2011

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A MEETING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2011, AT 7:30 PM AT BOROUGH HALL.

Attendance

- Councilors present were: Council President Ms. Amy Richard, Vice President Mr. Paul Zaboy, Mr. Jack Fatzinger, Mr. Carl Zito, Ms. Cindy Hower, Mr. A. Joseph Gosnell, and Mrs. Rosemarie Wenzelberger.
- Also present was Mayor Sherman Metzger, Zoning Officer John Soloe, and Solicitor Gary Asteak.
- Patrolman Vrabel was on duty to preserve the meeting.

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

Public Comment

- Earl Kocher, 300 Old Easton Road, reported that a truck bearing the name Downs Transportation turned north on Sullivan Trail from Old Easton Road. The truck reportedly was 6' off the road and also hit a pole and road sign on Sullivan Trail. Mr. Kocher did not report the incident to the police department. Chief Soloe will look into the matter noting that a license number and phone and address number would be helpful.
- Eric Wenzelberger, 111 Center Street, inquired about removing cinders from the streets.

Council Comments

- Joe Gosnell inquired about the timing of the traffic lights at the intersection of Industrial Blvd and Main Street noting that he had received complaints regarding the length of time the light remained green exiting Industrial Blvd onto Main Street. Amy Richard informed Council she has already spoken with Bill Conrad from Signal Services and Chris Surovy from DOT. The controller was programmed from an outdated signal condition diagram. A current diagram has been received by the Borough and forwarded to Signal Services who will prepare a work order to rectify the situation.

Secretary/Treasurer report

- Approval of Minutes of March 21, 2011
- **Motion** by Paul Zaboy, seconded by Jack Fatzinger to approve the minutes of March 21, 2011 with typo correction-under Public Works, line 2, jitter to jetter. Motion carried unanimously.
- Approval of Payables through April 1, 2011.
- **Motion** by Paul Zaboy, seconded by Carl Zito to approve the payables through April 1, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

Fund Balances as of 4/01/2011

General Fund	\$137,580.25
Sewer Fund	\$212,520.01
Highway Aid	\$103,891.92
Recreation Fund	\$ 6,307.04
Centennial Fund	\$ 3,419.09
Fire Protection Fund	\$ 10,515.07
Real Estate Fund	\$144,509.47

Mayoral Report

- The Mayor reported that he did not receive a copy of the census report this year.
- The Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 1:00 PM with a rain date of Sunday the 17th. The egg coloring program will be held on Friday, April 15th at the Stockertown Rod and Gun Club at 7:00 PM.

Public Works Report

- Supervisor Charles Davis reported on the sewer jetter, stating that the proposal given at the last meeting was invalid because that jetter was too small for the Borough's needs. The newest estimate will be closer to \$35,000 dollars. He will continue to research.
- S C Engineers has filed the Chapter 94 Annual Report with DEP.
- The WWTP Pilot Project will cease in several weeks as the chemical runs out and the temperatures rise, allowing the plant to function on its own. DEP will make their success/failure determination based on the Pilot Project Report submitted in June.
- A committee comprised of Amy Richard, Jack Fatzinger and Carl Zito met with the Public Works personnel in March to discuss projects and concerns of both parties. The meeting was very informative and it is the desire of both parties to hold such a meeting at least every other month.

Police Report

- A report was provided to Council.
- There is no news on the Gaming Grant to date.

Solicitor's Report

- Gary Asteak provided a copy of the Sewer Connection Ordinance sighting the section which gives a Borough designated inspector the authority to access property to inspect sewer connections. He advised Council to appoint an inspection official and provide proper identification for the inspector so questionable sewer connection inspections could begin.
- He is prepared to address the sewer delinquency issue as soon as Council provides a list of those property owners who have not responded to his lien notification letter.

Agenda Items

- Rails to Trails update-Paul Zaboy is expected to meet with DCNR's State Project Manager, in absence of Sherry Acevedo, to give guidance to the various phases of the grant submissions. Council must pick a design consultant to plan the trail particulars.
- Final discussion was held on the choice of a web designer.
- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Jack Fatzinger to hire WebsiteFreaks to design and build the website with a cap of \$800.00. Motion carried. Paul Zaboy abstained.

- Website update-Jack Fatzinger has provided ten of his pen and ink rendering of various Borough scenes to be used on the website.

Executive Session

- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Jack Fatzinger to adjourn to executive session for personnel issues at 8:37 PM. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Joe Gosnell to end executive session and enter regular session at 8:58 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Jack Fatzinger to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 PM
- Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of Borough Council will be held on Monday, April 18, 2011 at 7:30 PM.

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The foregoing were approved the 18th day of April 2011.

President of Council

Attest:_____