

THE BOROUGH OF STOCKERTOWN HELD A REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2010, 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, and Mrs. Rosemarie Wenzelberger. A. Joseph Gosnell was absent.
- Also in attendance were Mayor Sherman Metzger, Police Chief and Zoning Officer John Soloe, and Gary Asteak of Asteak Law Offices.
- Patrol officer Joseph 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-302 Old Easton Road commented on the fact that we have two part time secretaries and the advertisement was seeking a full time secretary/treasurer. Amy Richard replied that one of the part time secretaries had left for full time work elsewhere and that we were looking for either a full time or two part time employees.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

- Approval of the minutes of December 15, 2010.
- **Motion** by Carl Zito, seconded by Jack Fatzinger to approve the minutes of December 15, 2010 with corrections. Motion carried unanimously. (Correction on page 2 under Adjournment - seconded by Carl Gosnell – change Gosnell to Zito.)

Mayoral Report – Sherman Metzger

- Mayor Metzger reported that there were 32 fruit baskets given out this year to seniors 75 years of age or older.
- The Mayor ask Council to consider a donation from the Borough to the Stockertown Rod and Gun Club for the use of their facilities during the SYA events such as the recent Christmas Party. Council will consider the request.

Police Report – John Soloe

- A check was received by the Borough from the Buckle-Up Program.
- The proposed Taser Policy was reviewed by Solicitor Gary Asteak and sent on to the Borough's Insurance carrier for review.

Public Works – Charles Davis

- There was no one present and there was no report.

Zoning – John Soloe

- There was no report

Solicitor's Report – Gary Asteak

- Mr. Asteak thanked Council for employing him over the years. He commented on Council's great accomplishments of this past year.

Agenda Items

- Council decided not to donate to the Lehigh Valley Coalition of Affordable Housing.
- There will be no increase in the fees charged by Asteak Law Offices, Keystone Engineering, or SC Engineers for the year 2011.
- Nazareth Council of Governments will meet at Borough Hall, January 24, 2011 at 7:00 PM.
- The 2011 General Fund and Sewer Fund Budget is available to the public for review.
- Ryan Buss submitted a proposal for the electrical work at the WWTP for \$7,750. Council had recently approved the work to be done not to exceed \$3000. Council is awaiting more quotes.
- Hendershot Door Systems has declined to install the roll up door on the WWTP storage building sighting the excessive weight. US Buildings, the manufacturer will not take responsibility for the installation, nor will Hendershot Doors. As an option, council revisited the quotes from Hendershot and Vanguard Doors for installation of a panel sectional door, which is much lighter in weight. Hendershot Door's quote was \$2,150 and Vanguard Door's quote was \$2,600. Council chose Hendershot because of cost and local proximity to the Borough.
- General Code Issues were discussed.
- **Motion** by Paul Zaboy, seconded by Carl Zito to create an exemption from Earned Income Tax for people who earn less than \$12,000 a year. Motion carried unanimously.
- Amy Richard suggested using a portion of the un-used Borough Picnic donation money to purchase gift cards for the Borough's employees for Christmas.
- Motion by Jack Fatzinger, seconded by Paul Zaboy to purchase gift cards for \$25 for the Borough employees. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

- Motion by Carl Zito, seconded by Paul Zaboy to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of Borough Council will be held on December 30, 2010 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy J. Richard
Acting Secretary