

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY
REGULAR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.
BOROUGH OFFICE**

MINUTES

Council President John VanVolkenburgh called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. He led the Pledge of Allegiance. The attendance was as follows:

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Present

John J. VanVolkenburgh, President
Frank A. Buhrman
Daniel J. Patton, Vice President
Tammy J. Lytle
William K. Reinke
Neal E. Abrams

Absent

N. Kenneth Lundberg

BOROUGH OFFICIALS, ETC.

Ronald J. Harris, Mayor
David A. Hazlett, Borough Manager
Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary
Richard L. Hileman, Police Chief
David E. Baker, Zoning Officer
Thomas R. Campbell, Solicitor

Absent

None

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 10, 2009 REGULAR MEETING

*** W. Reinke moved, T. Lytle seconded, that the minutes of the February 10, 2009 regular Council meeting be approved as submitted. Motion carried with Mr. Patton abstaining.

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Nothing.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

MAYOR'S REPORT – R. HARRIS

Mayor Harris provided an update on the progress of cellular tower construction in the area.

Chief Hileman reviewed the 2008 Police Calls Report with the Members outlining each area through a power point presentation. Council members thanked Chief Hileman and accepted the report by consensus.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks, Recreation and Environmental Advisory. Mrs. Lytle provided a brief update on the progress of the Ski Run Trail Sidewalk project. Upcoming events were announced as the Fishing Derby scheduled for April 25, 2009; the 5th Annual July 4th Celebration; and the National Night Out on August 4th.

Planning Commission Report. The Commission asked that Council review the request of Mr. Terry L. Stem to trade lot # R-0072 located on Flat Trail in the Borough for Lot # RA-0076 currently owned by the Borough. Mr. Patton and Mr. Buhrman stated that the Commission has reviewed this trade offer and recommends its acceptance with the agreement that Mr. Stem be required to properly execute a recombination of Lot RA-0076 with Lot RA-0077 currently owned by Mr. Stem and further that he pay all associated costs incurred in the trade. After discussion:

***F. Buhrman moved; D. Patton seconded that Mr. Stem's request for a trade of Lot # R-0072 for Lot # RA-0076 be pursued with the caveat recommended by the Planning Commission

requiring recombination and payment of associated costs and pending a full review of the Borough Solicitor. Motion carried unanimously.

Sewer and Water Authority. Mr. VanVolkenburgh reported that the Authority has contracted with Wm. F. Hill, Associates for Engineering services for 2009. The 2008 Chapter 94 Report will be review at a special meeting on Monday, March 23, 2009.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – BOROUGH MANAGER

Treasurer's Report for February 2009.

***F. Buhrman moved, N. Abrams seconded, that Council accept the February 2009 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Appointments. Mr. Hazlett announced that the Planning Commission and the Sewer & Water Authority have vacancies. If anyone is interested please contact the Borough Office for details.

Request to Advertise Joint Materials Bid. Mr. Hazlett outlined the advertisement for various Borough supplies including aggregate, bitmious material, fuel and gasoline. He explained that the Borough has initiated a joint materials bid process that unites Hamiltonban Township, Liberty Township and the Borough.

***F. Buhrman moved; T. Lytle seconded, that Council approve the request and ask that Mr. Hazlett make advertisement pending approval from the other municipalities. Motion carried unanimously.

2007 Liquid Fuels Audit Report. Council reviewed the report and having no questions:

***N. Abrams moved; W. Reinke seconded that the Council accept the 2007 Liquid Fuels Audit as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hazlett informed Council that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has issued a directive requiring that the Borough perform maintenance on the Section F Dam on Lake May. The requirement of an updated Emergency Action Plan has been completed and will be submitted by the Engineer. Of the 3 maintenance items listed by the DEP, the one pertaining to removal of vegetation has been completed. One requires only monitoring which will be done by the Borough Engineer and the last requires repair work to the gabion wall along the stream. Mr. Hazlett supplied the members with photographs of the area targeted by the DEP and a proposed plan submitted by KPI Technology, the Borough Engineering firm for consideration. Estimated costs for the plan are \$20,000 - \$45,000. After much discussion it was the consensus of the Council to have Mr. Hazlett pursue funding options and continue working closely with the DEP and the Engineer toward the appropriate corrective action.

Mayor Harris reported to the Members that he submitted an Appropriation Request for a state-of-the-art fueling system on behalf of the Borough with the help of Dave Hazlett and other staff members. The system is intended to provide 24 hour access to affordable fuel. The project, if funded, will serve the entire community having gained support from Fairfield Fire & EMS, Fairfield Regional Emergency Management Agency (FREMA), the Fairfield School District, Fountaindale Fire Company, Hamiltonban Township and the Adams County Chapter of the Red Cross.

Mr. VanVolkenburgh asked Chief Hileman about the search for an officer to fill the vacancy. Chief Hileman reported that they are still accepting resumes. Mr. Van Volkenburgh asked if the position needed to be filled at this time. Due to the economic distress the Borough would have difficulty funding the position at this time. Chief Hileman stated that there may stimulus funding available for the position. Consensus of the Council was to have the Chief pursue the stimulus funding; however, in the meantime the position will go un-funded. The search can continue with the understanding that the funding is in question.

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No one addressed Council at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

The Attendance Register is attached, numbered Page 4 and made a part of the Official Minutes.

Gayle R. Marthers, Recording Secretary