

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY  
REGULAR BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2010 – 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  
N. Kenneth Lundberg  
Tammy J. Lytle  
William K. Reinke  
Neal E. Abrams  
Daniel J. Patton, Vice President

**Absent**

None

**BOROUGH OFFICIALS, ETC.**

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

**Absent**

None

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2009 REGULAR MEETING**

\*\*\* K. Lundberg moved, T. Lytle seconded, that the minutes of the December 15, 2009 regular Council meeting be approved as submitted. Motion carried with Mr. Patton abstaining.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 4, 2010 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING**

\*\*\* F. Buhrman moved, K. Lundberg seconded, that the minutes of the January 4, 2010 Re-Organization meeting of the Carroll Valley Borough Council be approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. George Fisanich, 7 Snowplow Trail thanked the Borough and its road crew for clearing the roads and sidewalk in "K" Section after the last snow fall.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None

**MAYOR'S REPORT – R. HARRIS**

Mayor Harris provided updates or follow-ups for the following:

- Status of the Cellular Tower Construction in the area stating that AT&T is on-line on one tower and will be on-line on the second by early December.
- Asked for volunteers to fill vacancies on Borough Committees and announced the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration Planning meeting.
- Chief Richard L. Hileman provided Members with a PowerPoint presentation outlining the 2009 cumulative Police Report.
- Honored fallen police and fire personnel in Pennsylvania.
- Shared a list of the upcoming meetings and events.

**Fairfield Fire/EMS Report.** Mr. Abrams provided a brief report of the Fairfield Fire and EMS activity. He reported 781 EMS calls for 2009 of which 282 or 36% were in the Borough and 225 Fire calls for 2009 of which 56 or 25% were in the Borough. He reported that the Department has been kept busy by the opening of Ski Liberty and anticipates an increase in calls over the next several months.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Parks, Recreation and Environmental Advisory.** Mrs. Lytle reported that the Committee did not meet in December.

**Planning Commission.** Ed Kaplan, Committee Chairman briefed the Members on the following business:

- Offer of Lot Donation: 17 Creekview Trail; Lot # RA-0055. Commission recommends not accepting lot due to it being in a floodplain.  
\*\*\*W. Reinke moved; T. Lytle seconded that the offer of donation be rejected as per the recommendation of the Commission. Motion carried unanimously. Members asked that Borough staff make appropriate notification.
- Animal Noise ordinance led to the consideration of a general noise ordinance that will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Reported on the Alternative Energy presentation to the Commission.

**Priority List.** Mayor Harris reported that the Committee did not meet.

**Public Safety.** Mayor Harris reported that the committee met on Monday, January 11, 2010 and discussed the following issues:

- During Open to the Public portion of the meeting, John VanVolkenburgh, 4 Mile Trail, gave the committee a PowerPoint presentation to ask the Public Safety Committee to give thought to what the funds spent to operate a police department could provide to the tax payers if there were no police force in Carroll Valley.
- Mr. VanVolkenburgh questioned the response times, cost of equipment, and the expenditure of the DARE program. In conclusion, he asked the members to consider staffing, Fairfield contract servicing, and determining the Borough's return on investment for the Police Department.
- During the December meeting – group came up with the idea of setting up a Community Education Program. A program a quarter will be presented. It will start in late February with the subject of Disaster Planning. April or May, the program will be on basic CPR skills and the use of an automatic defibrillator.
- A new format for the monthly Police Report was introduced. It will be developed and presented to Council.
- AJ Aldrich, Fairfield Fire/EMS President, explained to Committee Members that the Adams County Volunteer Emergency Services Association (ACVESA) is in the process of preparing PowerPoint presentation for municipalities that will show the financial impact on each community if the volunteer fire/EMS provider serving the area were to close. The target date for the briefing is April 2010.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – BOROUGH MANAGER**

### **Treasurer's Report for December 2009.**

Following brief discussion:

\*\*\* F. Buhrman moved, K. Lundberg seconded, that Council accept the December 2009 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hazlett introduced the new Borough Solicitor, Melissa Dively of Salzmann Hughes, P.C. She was welcomed by Members.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Section “F” Dam Repairs.** Mr. Hazlett updated the Members on the progress of the geotechnical investigation.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Reinke requested that an email link be created on the website for residents to contact him as a Councilman. Concerns from other council members were voiced regarding security and personal information being accessible. After discussion, Mr. Buhrman suggested that Mr. Hazlett contact the Borough’s website host and ask if it is possible to have individual email accounts set for the councilmen.

### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Fisanich offered praise to the new trash hauler, Parks Garbage, for a smooth transition. Mr. Hazlett confirmed that only 3 complaints had been received by office staff.

Mr. Kaplan offered an update to the National Sprinkler law.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

### **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

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

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Gayle R. Marthers, Recording Secretary