

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY
REGULAR MEETING
Of BOROUGH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013 – 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
Tammy Lytle
Neal E. Abrams
Daniel J. Patton
N. Kenneth Lundberg
William K. Reinke

Absent

Janis Ashman

BOROUGH OFFICIALS, ETC.

Ronald J. Harris, Mayor
David A. Hazlett, Borough Manager
Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary
Dave Baker, Zoning Officer
Richard L. Hileman, II, Police Chief
Bradley Betack, Borough Solicitor

Absent

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 15, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

***K. Lundberg moved, T. Lytle seconded, that the minutes of the February 12, 2013 Regular Council meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Mr. Reinke abstaining.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No One Addressed Council at this time

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

MAYOR'S REPORT – R. HARRIS

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

- Police Report
- ACCOG:
 - Joint Purchasing Bids will be opened at the next meeting
 - County Fire Study due in mid April
 - Next meeting: March 28, 2013
- Joint Recreation Study – Update
- Borough Building Working Group:
 - Request For Proposals were received & reviewed
 - Recommendation:
Working Group recommends entering into a contract with Bucharthorn, Inc./BASCO Associates stating that the firm best addressed the requests of the RFP and were the lowest bid.
***D. Patton moved; K. Lundberg seconded that Council authorize the Borough Manager to enter into a contractual agreement with Bucharthorn, Inc./BASCO Associates to provide Professional Architectural Services for Evaluation and Recommendations for Borough Municipal Office Facilities at the Bid Price of \$10,700.
Motion passed unanimously.
- New Borough Code – How to fill Vacancies
- Fairfield Fire-EMS Banquet
- CVCA:

- Dinner featuring Mayor Harris and Manager Hazlett will be held Friday, March 15, 2013 in the Cortner Community Room.
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, March 23, 2013 in Carroll Commons
- Local Police use of Radar for Traffic Speed Control

Mayor Harris shared information regarding a movement to have local police authorized to use radar whereas only State Police Officers are authorized at this time. He suggested contacting Representative Moul or Senator Alloway to glean support.

 - Resident Comments were heard:

Joe Downin: 16 Sunfish Trail; CV

John Hawk: 78 Bluebird Trail; CV
- Shared a list of the upcoming meetings and events.

FIRE/EMS/EMA REPORTS

Updates and Information was supplied for the following:

- Mr. Abrams provided reports:
 - Fountaindale Fire Department
 - Fairfield Fire/EMS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks, Recreation and Environmental Advisory Committee: Mrs. Lytle provided updates for the following:

- Fish Derby has been cancelled for 2013
- July 4th Celebration
- Biking/Hiking Trails
- CVCA – representatives were present to extent offers to collaborate with more recreational activities and possibly apply for grants to fund new recreation initiatives in the future.

Planning Commission: Mr. Abrams reported that representatives from The Crest attended the meeting and provided the presentation as requested. It was received well by those in the attendance. The next step is to consider the verbiage changes to the Ordinance as requested.

Public Safety: Mayor Harris shared that the committee did not meet due to a lack of business. At this time Council Members and citizens took the opportunity to remind everyone to change the batteries in smoke detectors, buy a new smoke detector every 7-10 years and burn leaves and lawn debris in burn barrels only.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – BOROUGH MANAGER

Treasurer's Report for February 2013. Following brief discussion:

*** D. Patton moved, T. Lytle seconded, that Council accept the February 2013 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hazlett reported on the following:

- Electric Provider Choice Program. The Borough is eligible to enter into a contractual agreement with a third party to purchase electricity at a static rate for 24 months. The rate for general commercial electric for all Municipal Buildings supplied by West Penn Power will lock at 5.68 cents/kilowatt hour and for all Street Light Fixtures supplied by West Penn Power at 5.281 cents/kilowatt hour.

*** D. Patton moved; W. Reinke seconded that Members authorize the Borough to participate in the Electric Provider Choice Program. Motion carried unanimously.
- Lake May Retaining Wall – Mr. Hazlett reported that the Retaining Wall along Tom's Creek sustained a partial collapse. The engineers have been on-site and there is no immediate danger. The situation will be evaluated for repair and Members will be updated.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Reinke addressed the Members from a written statement that upon the conclusion of the meeting he respectfully tenders his resignation from Council citing personal and family commitment conflicts. A copy of the statement is attached to the official minutes. Mr. VanVolkenburgh thanks Mr. Reinke for his service and asked for a motion to accept:

***D. Patton moved; T. Lytle seconded a motion to accept with regret the resignation of Councilman William Reinke effective March 12, 2013 following adjournment of the Regular Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hazlett stated that Borough Staff would make the proper notifications to County Offices and reminded the Members that a replacement must be appointed within 30 days. The timeframe allows for the appointment to be made at the next regular meeting on April 9, 2013.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following citizens addressed Council at this time:

- George Fisanich, 7 Snowplow Trail, CV: Expressed frustration that the CVCA must pay to use the Pavilion and Park facilities.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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

Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary