

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY
REGULAR MEETING
Of BOROUGH COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MAY 14, 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
Dan Patton
Neal E. Abrams
Janis Ashman
N. Kenneth Lundberg
Frank Buhrman

Absent

Tammy Lytle

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
Eric K. Grugel, Borough Solicitor

Absent

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

***K. Lundberg moved, N. Abrams seconded, that the minutes of the April 9, 2013 Regular Council meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Mr. Patton abstaining due to absence.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following citizens addressed Council at this time:

- Mr. John Cazalas, 657 Country Club Trail, CV: Addressed Council regarding issue of not being able to use his dock and boat during times when Ski Liberty has permission to draw water from Lake May as specified in the 2012 agreement between the Borough and Ski Liberty. Mr. Cazalas asked that this issue remain as an open item on the agenda until resolved. Council agreed.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

There were none.

MAYOR'S REPORT – R. HARRIS

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

- Police Report:
 - Chief Hileman stated that there is a \$2000 reward for the arrest and conviction of those responsible for a recent rash of burglary and thefts in the J & K Sections of the Borough. Citizens were encouraged to call 911 if they see any suspicious activity at the time they witness it...Please do not wait to report.
- Radio Project:
 - Mobile equipment purchases – 4th quarter of 2013
 - Product and line testing – 2nd quarter of 2012
 - Operational – 2nd quarter 2014
- Borough Code – Powers of the respective offices
- 150th Battle of Gettysburg
- July 4th Celebration
- Primary Election

- 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:

- July 4th Celebration
- Biking/Hiking Trails

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS – BOROUGH MANAGER

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

*** F. Buhrman moved, N. Abrams seconded, that Council accept the April 2013 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hazlett asked for Members to review and take action on the results of the Materials Bids received:

***K. Lundberg moved; D. Patton seconded that Materials Contracts be awarded to the following lowest responsible bidders:

- Road Oils – Hammaker East, LTD
- Fuel Oils – Shipley Energy
- Bituminous Material – Valley Quarries, Inc
- Line Painting – Interstate Road Management
- Equipment Rental – Hammaker East, LTD
- Seal Coating – Martin Paving, Inc

Motion carried unanimously.

Upon review of the Aggregate Materials Bid:

***F. Buhrman moved; N. Abrams seconded that all bids be rejected as the Borough has in place an agreement to purchase these materials under COSTARS state contract from Valley Quarries, Inc.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Hazlett reported that an RFP for financing of the Building Project would be developed and sent to interested parties.

Mr. Baker, zoning officer, will begin his annual check of the Borough for proper placement of house/address signs. Mr. Abrams commended this initiative as a past Captain of the Ambulance Service; he shared experiences where public safety was jeopardized by the failure of homeowners to properly mark their houses.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hazlett asked for Council direction regarding a growing issue that involves property maintenance in Borough Ordinance §25-201 and §25-202. The zoning office has received several requests to investigate violations of this ordinance that results in the zoning officer determining the lot accused of violating the ordinance is an unimproved or vacant lot. Mr. Hazlett questioned as to the intent of the ordinance; was the partial clearing and ongoing maintenance of a vacant lot the intended purpose of this Ordinance? After brief consideration; Members asked that the issue be reviewed by the Planning Commission.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following citizens addressed Council at this time:

- Marge Cook, 1 Side Track Trail, CV: Asked that the Borough review the line of sight from Lion Trail onto Country Club Trail. She states that the intersection is very dangerous. Mr. Hazlett agreed to ask that Chief Hileman work with the Road Master, Terry Weikert to evaluate the situation and report any findings.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 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