

July 12 2010

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, July 12, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: Allen Skopp presiding, Eric Tepper, Chris Holnaider, Barry Smith, Todd Krehlik, John R. McCreary, and Kristine Melville. Mayor Susan Bortz and Solicitor Michael Witheral were present. Marie McCandless, Latrobe Bulletin and Jeff Himler, Tribune Review were reporting.

MOTION by Kristine Melville to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of June 14, 2010. Motion **SECONDED** by Eric Tepper. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Barry Smith to approve the treasurer's report for June 30, 2010. Motion **SECONDED** by Chris Holnaider. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

VISITORS

1. Karen L. Esleman – She received a warning tag on July 6, 2010 from the Neighborhood Revitalization Coordinator for a car parked in her yard. She brought her paperwork showing that it is currently legal with valid registration, and was upset that she received any notification. It was parked on her private property. She tried calling him on July 6, 2010 and hasn't received any response from him at this time. The Mayor will discuss and resolve issue with Rick Greece.
2. Helen Kister – 126 Walters St. – She is the Presbyterian minister and was hoping to utilize the community park for a Kids Community Fun Day to be held on Saturday, July 24, 2010. at 1-3p.m. She is requesting council to waive the fee since the event is to support the children within our community. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to waive the community park fee for the Derry Presbyterian Church function. Motion **SECONDED** by Eric Tepper. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report for the public.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The survey at the railroad property has been completed and forwarded to Penn Dot. A copy is also in the Borough office. The park would be approximately 5.6 acres total. There will be a community planning charette held on Saturday, August 7, 2010 at Derry Station. They will be including plans for a bike park. After the charette there will be a summary meeting held on Monday August 16th at the audion in the high school to make a presentation to the community.
- Cory Bridge is creating a plan for a bike safety day for the kids of our community to be held on the last Saturday in August. They will be giving bikes and helmets away, while teaching kids how to be safe on their bikes.

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Mayor's Report for June 2010 with receipts of \$ 1,472.83 which included traffic receipts of \$1,241.01 and non-traffic receipts of \$28.17. There were 174 complaint calls, 65 traffic citations, and 42 non-traffic citations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

None

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Bob Sieminkewicz submitted a report for June 2010 including two permits. \$69.60 in zoning fees were collected for a pool and fence permit.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Chuck DeNunzio gave us information on the parade for railroad days which will be held on September 25, 2010. Line up will begin at 10:00 am. Anyone interested in participating in the parade can pick up a form at the office.
- The police department received a \$676.00 grant from Mountain Top Technologies which they purchased a camera and a PBT.
- The electrical rates are to become competitive at the end of the year. We are beginning to receive correspondence from 3rd party companies regarding electric rates. They are power brokers who offer better rates for businesses and municipalities. Allen requested the secretary to research for more information, by contacting the COG, Chamber of Commerce, and or Pennsylvania Borough's Association.
- Keystone State Park will be holding Community Days on July 17 & 18th from 10a.m to 6p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Porcelain Park – Chris Holnaider reported there were discussions with the county and the fire department regarding property by the community center for parking. Clean up should be initiated in the next month or two. Susan mentioned that Penn Dot needs a letter from the County that the will be leasing the property to the firemen. Council discussed Ralph Smith's business and his vehicles being illegally parked in the Porcelain Park area.
Allen Skopp requested that the grass be cut at the old 4th Street Pizza location.
2. Recodification – Under Planning Commission review
3. Housing Redevelopment – Tabled
4. Occupancy Permits for Residential Rental Units- Tabled.
5. Security Camera Community Park – Mayor hasn't had a chance to speak with Shirley Danksriter at this time.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Eric Tepper to approve resignation of Cheryl Reinard from the Planning Commission and advertise for vacancy. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed. Eric Tepper thanked her for her years of service to the borough.

2. Community Fun Day held by Presbyterian Church was approved earlier in the meeting to be held at the Community Park and their fee was waived.

3. Stop signs intersecting on 3rd Avenue and S. Chestnut Street. Discussion took place regarding issue. Alternatives mentioned are a speed bump or installation of signs. If a 4-way stop sign is added an Ordinance will be required. Council would like to see more policing of the stop signs prior to implementing a 4-way stop intersection by Ordinance. The mayor stated she would request the department to monitor that area daily approximately 3 hours per day.

4. **MOTION** by Todd Krehlik to approve a \$1000.00 donation for Railroad Days Celebration to be held on September 25, 2010 and submit the parade route request to Penn Dot beginning on 2nd Street to N. Chestnut onto Owens Avenue (Rt 217) across bridge ending on Third Avenue by McCabe Funeral Home. Motion **SECONDED** by Chris Holnaider. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Chris Holnaider to pay the bills. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Eric Tepper to adjourn at 7:37 p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary