

October 19, 2015

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, October 19, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: Chad Fabian, Presiding, Barry Holden, Al Checca, Jim Ritenour, and Tom Lipinski. Dave Fletcher and Allen Skopp were absent. Mayor Dave Bolen was present. Solicitor Lee Demosky was absent. Greg Reinbold, Tribune Review and Nick Cammuso were reporting.

MOTION by Thomas Lipinski to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of September 21, 2015. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Barry Holden to approve the treasurer’s report with a General Fund Balance Sheet totaling \$242,485.70 for September 30, 2015. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Mayor David Bolen with Tyler Courtney and Ted Kopas, Westmoreland County Commissioners presented Mr. and Mrs Dickey a Recognition and Appreciation award for having their business in Derry Borough for over 16 years and supporting community events.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Don Ritenour – 607 N. Chestnut St. – Observing
2. Amy and Joe Serrao – Owens Avenue – Concerned about the bridge construction.
3. Sharon Bench – 227 W. Owens Avenue – She wanted to voice her concerns again with council regarding more damage to her home from the vibrations of the construction of the State Route 217 Bridge in Derry.
Council president explained that they should direct their concerns to the contractors of the state project.
4. John and Jennifer Dickey – Sugar Bears – Received an invitation from the mayor.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

The Solicitor provides a written report to Borough Council relating to attorney client privileged issues. Due to the moratorium Borough Council enacted to reduce expenses, the Solicitor was directed not to appear at the public meeting. There was no report for the public.

- Preparing Ordinance for Street Light Tax
- Preparing Tax Ordinance for 2016

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Dave Bolen submitted the Mayor’s report for September 2015 with receipts of \$613.42 which included traffic receipts of \$ 332.19 and non-traffic receipts of \$281.23. There were 128 complaint calls, 18 traffic citations, and 2 non-traffic citations with three parking tickets.

- Mayor Bolen requested a new vest for Sgt. James Friscarella. We can receive a grant for \$339 approximately the Borough would be responsible for 550.70 as the total cost of a vest is \$895.00 Council agreed.

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MOTION by Al Checca was made to purchase him a new protective vest. Motion
SECONDED by Tom Lipinski. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion.
Motion passed.

ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT

BIU reported one zoning permit, three code enforcement violations for the month of September 2015.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Building Committee – Chad Fabian, Tom Lipinski, and Al Checca

Jim Ritenour – **Public Works** – Absent

Allen Skopp – Grants – Absent

Al Checca- Police Department – Al Checca and Tom Lipinski stopped by the lake while the gate was open to the authority property after a meeting with two of the MABD board members. They thought they could stop and take a look at the geese situation at hand, and the grounds. Ms. Forscha had their solicitor contact the Derry Borough police requesting trespassing charges to be issued to Mr. Checca and Mr. Lipinski.

Tom Lipinski – MABD Financials – Met with Tim Rennie to discuss the MABD audit, and has a better understanding of how they are reporting; however there needs to be better reporting in the future.

Lori Latta – Reported there was a review of the current 911 address map with Patrick Byers, Brock Dwire, and Steve Kozar, EMC that needs a few updates. There are a few addresses which need changed with 911 and a few letters need to go out to residents requesting them to change their addresses on their homes according to the 911 changes made many years ago.

A list of sign purchases needed will be prepared for the November meeting.

Chad Fabian – 4-Way Stop Signs – Clarification is needed from Rick Skovensky.

Financial/Budget Committee – Chad Fabian, Barry Holden, and Allen Skopp – 2016 Budget Tabled

JUDGE HARRY SMAIL stopped by to introduce himself to council.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

DARCEE is helping with the Halloween Parade this year and is preparing for approximately 400 in attendance.

DARCEE members are planning on attending the Latrobe Chamber annual banquet to support Vince Mastrococco’s small business award.

They will not be having a meeting in October.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The planning commission is reviewing the current occupancy permit ordinance and creating a data base of rental properties in the borough.

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COMMUNICATIONS

- Thank you received by DAMF for the support ad placement in their annual roster booklet.
- Halloween Parade will be at 3:00pm on Saturday, October 31, 2015 and trick or treat will be held from 4-8pm immediately following.
- Westmoreland County Boroughs Association Meeting to be held on October 22, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Donohoe Center Barn Educational Center. Speaker will be president from PSAB.
- EMA plans will be forwarded to Chris Tantlinger, Deputy EMC, Westmoreland County.
- Plum Construction stated we would need a minimum of four dumpsters probably next June. Currently McClinchock is the least expensive per dumpster. We will need to relook at the pricing next year closer to the time of demolition.
- Derry Borough website has been recently updated with new graphics, please take a look.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms expiring in the Borough:
 - a. One (1) vacancy and one (1) alternate vacancy for the Zoning Hearing Board
 - b. Two (2) Civil Service Commission Vacancies one expiring December 31, 2016 and one (6) year term expiring December 31, 2018.
 - c. Vacancy Board Chairman
2. **MOTION** by Tom Lipinski to approve Gibson-Thomas to apply for Penn Dot Multimodal Transportation Fund grant and/or TIP Funding for project upon approval of the HOP to Owens Avenue N. Ligonier St. Bridge Removal Project. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
3. Occupancy Permits – Planning Commission Review
4. Mossback Lights – Woody’s Electric will be repairing in October.
5. **MOTION** by Tom Lipinski to approve to pay for dumpsters for demolition of Flower’s House for the lowest price available. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
6. **MOTION** by Al Checca Resolution 592-15 Approve MABD request to utilize Pyrotechnics to control geese population at the lake. Motion **SECONDED** by Tom Lipinski. All Members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Jim Ritenour to approve Resolution No. 593-15 Distribution of State Aid for payment of MMO's for 2015. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All Members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
2. **MOTION** by Barry Holden to approve advertising of Ordinance 768-15 for Leo Street to become one way – Lee Demosky to prepare draft. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All Members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
3. Approve Street Signs that need purchased – Tabled.
4. **MOTION** by Al Checca to approve advertising of Ordinance 769-15 Separation of Street Lighting Tax for Derry Borough from General Fund Budget. – Lee Demosky to prepare draft. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All Members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
5. 2016 General Fund Budget - Tabled

Mr. Lipinski asked who is in charge of the benches located at Ethel Lake near the walking paths. They are in need of maintenance. We need to have a committee in place again. The committee used to be Eric Tepper, Rich Thomas, and a Derry Township representative.

Derry Borough Council went into executive session at 8:12pm for personnel matters. Executive session ended at 8:30pm.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Al Checca to approve payment of bills totaling \$ 87,099.83 and all outstanding legitimate bills through the end of the month. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Tom Lipinski to adjourn at 8:35p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary