

March 14, 2011

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, March 14, 2011 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, Barry Smith, John McCreary, Curt Robbins, and Kristine Melville. Todd Krehlik was absent and one council vacancy. Mayor Susan Bortz was present. Marie McCandless, Latrobe Bulletin and Jeff Himler, Tribune Review were reporting.

MOTION by Curt Robbins to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of February 14, 2011. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Curt Robbins to approve the treasurer’s report for February 28, 2011. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

VISITORS

1. Larry Opatka – A large garbage truck is driving through the alley way intersecting Oak Street and Kelly Way behind Mr. Opatka’s home tearing up the area on the corner and along the alley while creating holes in the gravel and destroying the storm drain. The truck picks up on Sunday nights around 12 midnight. He wasn’t sure of the company or the address the truck is servicing, but feels the truck is too large for that roadway. Susan stated its 218 ½ the address. Lori stated that we need to have an Ordinance in place specifying the weight of the truck, which will be reviewed. He is asking the Borough get in touch with the garbage company. Curt Robbins thinks it is Westmoreland Services since he uses the same service and they pick up at that time. Barry Smith will have the public works department check out the alley way for any maintenance.

2. Megan Scavnicky – Civics Derry Area High School
3. Alan Gray - Civics Derry Area High School
4. Megan Sherba - Civics Derry Area High School
5. Kirsten Robbins - Civics Derry Area High School
6. Stephanie Fillmore - Civics Derry Area High School
7. Jim Byers – 522 W. 3rd Avenue – Submitted letter for council vacancy.
8. Chuck DeRito – West 2nd Avenue - Observing

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Nothing for the public.

MAYOR’S REPORT

- Susan addressed a gun lock program with Chief Glick, which hasn’t been done for several years.
- There will be an annual bike safety program in 2011.
- The art grant was not applied for since council was not supporting the billboard project.

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- Eric Tracy submitted his resignation as a part-time policeman.
- DARCEE is having a Spaghetti dinner on March 20, 2011 12-4pm \$5 for advance tickets or \$6 at the door to support the fishing derby to be held on June 25, 2011.
- April 4, 2011 there will be a summit at the Fred Rogers Center for the Laurel Highlands initiative which will be sponsored by PEC regarding the trails project. They are the group that supported the Ohio Pyle Projects.

Mayor's Report for February 2011 was submitted to Borough office with receipts of \$973.24 which included traffic receipts of \$744.85 and non-traffic receipts of \$100.27. There were 113 complaint calls, 36 traffic citations, and 2 non-traffic citations with 8 parking tickets.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

Bob Sieminkewicz reported no zoning permits were applied for in February 2011. Allen asked about the Ritenour case and Mr. Sieminkewicz explained that the hearing was scheduled for May 1, 2011.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Barry Smith reported that a new brush needs to be purchased for the street sweeper costing around \$400. He was very happy with the public works department throughout this winter season; they did a great job keeping our streets clean.

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

None

COMMUNICATIONS

- Letter from Brian McDowell for reappointment for the civil service commission.
- Derry School District sent a signed agreement for contracted services for the police department
- The wage tax board meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 at 4pm and Curt will be attending. The final agreement has been forwarded to all of council and Rachel.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Chuck DeRito, Kelly Tatone and Jim Byers submitted letters for the council vacancy. **MOTION** by Curt Robbins to appoint Kelly Tatone to the council vacancy. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Smith. Roll Call Vote was taken. Curt Robbins- Yes, Barry Smith – Yes, Kristine Melville – No, John McCreary- No, Allen Skopp - Yes. Motion passed.

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2. Recodification – Tabled Solicitor will review Ordinance drafted by General Code.
3. Occupancy Permits – Bob is reviewing 2009 IPM Code received in electronic version and working with the county for an efficient way to keep up with ownership of the rental properties.
4. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to appoint Brian McDowell to the civil service commission term ending December 31, 2016. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Smith. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
MOTION by Curt Robbins to appoint Kevin Quinlisk to the Municipal Authority Board term expiring December 31, 2013. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Smith. Roll call vote was taken. Barry Smith – yes, Curt Robbins- yes, Kristine Melville – No, Randy McCreary – No, Allen Skopp – yes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Barry Smith to accept H.A. Berkheimer Agreement for Earned Income Tax Collections. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
2. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to approve Ordinance 739 to adopt updated IPM Code 2009 Edition for Rental Properties. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
3. **MOTION** by Barry Smith to approve bid to purchase 650 ton of salt (purchasing minimum of 60% of bid amount) in the CoStars program. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
4. **MOTION** by Randy McCreary to approve \$100 donation to DABPA for the Easter Egg Hunt. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
5. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to approve Resolution 520-11 Request for Certificate of Insurance. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
6. Approve Resolution 521-11 Memorandum of Understanding by and between Derry Borough Police and Derry Area School District. – Tabled
7. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to approve applying for grant from Penn Prime for and AED for the municipal building and safety training. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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8. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to accept Eric Tracy resignation effective March 20, 2011. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed. (Motion made after unfinished business during the meeting.)

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Kristine Melville to pay the bills. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Smith. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kristine Melville to adjourn at 7:25p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Curt Robbins. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary