

February 13, 2012

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, February 13, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: John McCreary, presiding, Jim Byers, Chuck Derito, Kristine Melville, and John Patrick. Jim Ritenour and Chris Gerhard were absent. Marie McCandless, Latrobe Bulletin and Jeff Himler, Tribune Review were reporting.

MOTION by Chuck DeRito to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of January 3, 2012. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Chuck DeRito to approve special meeting minutes for January 23, 2012. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by John Patrick to approve the special meeting minutes of February 6, 2012. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by John Patrick to approve the treasurer’s report for January 31, 2012. Motion **SECONDED** by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Council went into executive session for personnel and litigation at 7:37p.m. until 8:40p.m at the Derry Borough Council work session held on February 6, 2012.

VISITORS

1. Barry Smith - 502 South Chestnut St. – Observing
2. Russ McKlveen- 712 W. 1st Avenue – Requesting council to review having an area constructed at AV Germano Hall at the entrance of the building. Council discussed having the planning commission review the fire departments plans.
3. Hallie Chatfield and April Kopas – Redevelopment Authority of Westmoreland County- Overview of Porcelain Park Project and reported that they hope to see the site clear by April of 2012.
4. Robert Dempsey and Bryant Singer- Game Commission – Appreciation of Chief Glick – They wanted to thank Chief Glick in his participation with a poaching incident that they recently dealt with and expressed to council that Chief Glick with Blade helped their investigation and created a positive outcome.
5. Chris Baker – DCNR – Keystone State Park – Support Chief Glick

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Letters of interest were received from Rachel Riedel, Scott Avolio, and Lee Demosky for the Solicitors position. **MOTION** by Chuck DeRito to appoint Lee Demosky as the Derry Borough Solicitor. Motion was **SECONDED** by Jim Byers. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Dave Bolen submitted the Mayor's report for January 2012 with receipts of \$731.58 which included traffic receipts of \$145.82 and non-traffic receipts of \$320.34. There were 122 complaint calls, 21 traffic citations, and 6 non-traffic citations with 6 parking tickets.

The Mayor expressed concerns regarding attendance to all meetings of council including executive sessions.

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT

There were no permits issued in January. Bob Sieminkewicz is following up with two properties, one on Utopia Street regarding a car port and another on Keeling Avenue regarding junk and garbage on the property.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Kristine Melville communicated information regarding an upcoming DCNR Grant that was available and asked council for permission to apply for a grant for the Community Park. Chris Baker with DCNR and an employee of Keystone State Park mentioned that the grant program offered at this time is focused on the Laurel Highlands initiative with trails in our area. MOTION was made by John Patrick for Kristine Melville to write and apply for a DCNR grant. Motion died due to lack of SECOND.

COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION by Kristine Melville to submit a \$50 donation for the DAHS Bachelor Auction for the Interact Club to be held on March 23, 2012. Motion SECONDED by John Patrick. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. MOTION passed.

MOTION by John Patrick to submit a ¼ page advertisement for the DAHS Musical in the amount of \$25. Motion SECONDED by Kristine Melville. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Occupancy Permits – Tabled

2. Community Sidewalks – Tabled

3. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to approve Bronder Technical Services as the contractor for the Battery Back Up Installation for our intersection traffic light located on W. 2nd Avenue and Y Street. Motion SECONDED by Chuck DeRito. All members present voiced "aye" in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

4. Agreement with YMCA for Outdoor Community Pool – Tabled for Solicitor review.

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5. Solid Waste and Recycling Request for Proposal – Tabled for Solicitor review.

6. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to appoint Kelly Tatone to the (2) two-year term for the Zoning Hearing Board expiring December 31, 2013. Motion SECONDED by John Patrick. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by John Patrick to appoint Chuck DeRito to the (4) four-year term for the Planning Commission term expiring December 31, 2015. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

7. **MOTION** by Jim Byers to approve Resolution 530-12 Appointing Kristine Melville as the Primary Voting Delegate and Randy McCreary as the Secondary Voting Delegate for the Westmoreland County Tax Collection Commission. Motion SECONDED by John Patrick. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

8. **MOTION** by Kristine Melville to approve Resolution 529-12 Police officer in the Borough of Derry shall not be required to make contributions to the Derry Police (Uniform) Pension Plan. Motion SECONDED by Jim Byers. All members present voiced “aye”. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Chuck DeRito to approve bid to purchase 650 tons of salt (understanding Derry Borough must purchase at least 60% of our bid amount in the Co-Stars program for the 2012 - 2013 Salt Contract. Motion SECONDED by John Patrick. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

2. An ordinance needs drafted to support Act 44 for our pension plans. Council asked solicitor to review and prepare.

3. Paving Project – Tabled for more review by Chuck DeRito.

4. Girl Scouts Troop 80405 Community Project – Community Garden Plans are in review by Girl scouts and they will provide a plan upcoming in a future meeting of council to the members.

Randy McCreary, President read a letter of resignation by Chris Gerhard for the councilmember seat appointed to him at the January 23, 2012 special meeting. **MOTION** by Chuck DeRito to accept his resignation. Motion was SECONDED by John Patrick. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Jim Byers to advertise the council vacancy for the next meeting to be held in March. Motion SECONDED by Chuck DeRito. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by John Patrick to adjourn at 8:08 p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Byers. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary