

March 10, 2014

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, March 10, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Derry Station Community Room, 200 West Second Avenue, Derry, PA with the following members present: Joseph Morton, presiding, Chad Fabian, Nelie Smith, Jim Ritenour, Allen Skopp, and Al Checca. Kristine Melville was absent. Mayor Dave Bolen was present. Nick Cammuso, Latrobe Bulletin and Greg Reinbold, Tribune Review were reporting.

MOTION by Allen Skopp to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of February 10, 2014. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

MOTION by Allen Skopp to approve the treasurer’s report with a General Fund Balance Sheet totaling \$186,480.40 for February, 28, 2014. Motion **SECONDED** by Nelie Smith. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

VISITORS

1. Mary Landis – 3rd Street, Derry - Observing
2. Anastasia Hamrock- West Sixth Ave, Derry – Civics Class
3. Natasha Palmer – 205 Shady Hollow Rd, Blairsville, PA – Civics Class
4. Jim and Pat Clark – 114 Park Street, Derry – They have an elderly neighbor that they were concerned about and they wanted to know who they should contact for help. Council suggested contacting the office of the aging for assistance.
5. Jack Crawford – 417 West 1st Avenue, Derry – Requesting for alley and storm drain repair.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

The Solicitor provided 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.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Dave Bolen submitted the Mayor’s report for February 2014 with receipts of \$3,056.56 which included traffic receipts of \$502.86 and non-traffic receipts of \$411.16. There were 104 complaint calls, 9 traffic citations, and 3 non-traffic citations with no parking tickets.

There will be a fundraising spaghetti dinner held at AV Germano Hall by the 4H Club on Saturday, April 6, 2014 for Blade the Derry Borough Police Canine. Tickets are \$6 per dinner. The proceeds are for purchasing a ballistic vest for protection for the dog.

ZONING OFFICER’S REPORT

January 2014 report included one zoning permit, one zoning citation, and eight ordinance violations.

February 2014 report included two zoning permits and review of violations.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

The DARCEE meeting will be held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Derry Township Building 7pm.

Railroad Days will be held on Saturday, September 20th and Sunday, September 21, 2014. The Hobo picnic will be on Thursday, September 18, 2014.

The secretary asked for permission to use the Borough phone number on the application for questions for vendors since so many people contact the Borough office for the event currently and she is on the committee as the vendor coordinator. Council agreed that would be fine.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Westmoreland County Boroughs Association Banquet Friday, May 2, 2014
RSVP required by April 29, 2014 (Dinner choice of Chicken Marsala or Flounder w/ Crabmeat at Lakeview Lounge) \$20 per person
- DCNR Grant Application – April 16, 2014 deadline – Possibly Pool Upgrades
- Secretary passed out a summary for usage of Act 13 funds that can be used in the future for special projects.
- New Office Camera needs purchased for the office the cost should be approximately \$200-\$300.
- Westmoreland County Park Art Grant Program – March 18, 2014 deadline
- Letter of Interest for Pool Manager– Jessica Patterson
- Westmoreland County Borough's Association Meeting March 27, 2014 7pm at the Westmoreland County Transit Office RSVP by 3/18/14
- March 24, 2014 Special Council Meeting to accept bids for millings stored at Derry Township Facility
- We received a check for \$4,000 for the acquisition of land needed for the Rt. 217 bridge project which was deposited in the Capital Reserves Fund.
- Education information with upcoming classes was distributed to council.
- There will be a class regarding gravel and dirt roads from the Westmoreland Conservation District on March 18, 2014 from 3pm-4pm. It was suggested that Pat Byers attend.
- There was information received on an upcoming class for pesticides applications for our public works department.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board and Commission terms expiring in the Borough:
 - a. 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. Two (2) vacancy for the Planning Commission

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- d. Vacancy (1) Municipal Authority Board expiring term December 31, 2018.

No letters of interest were received.

2. Vacancy Board Chairman – Verbal Interest from Dave Fletcher Tabled until a letter is received.

3. Megan’s Law - Tabled

4. Community Pool

Pool Passes – Pricing for passes went up a small amount to offset expenses.

Record Keeping – There will be coordination with Tim Rennie, CPA for assistance with record keeping for the 2014 pool season. The new pool manger, Lori Latta and Mr. Rennie will have a meeting in April to discuss the process.

Management Controls -Nelie Smith mentioned the importance of employees handling the cash should not handle the book keeping as a general rule.

5. Pool Manager

6. Millings for Sale

7. Rental Occupancy Permits – Ordinance and Fee Schedule Draft to be provided by Lee Demosky.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** by Chad Fabian to accept Matt Smith’s resignation effective February 17, 2014. Motion **SECONDED** by Allen Skopp. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
2. **MOTION** by Allen Skopp to approve and accept the CDBG Grant in the amount of \$60,000for the Removal of Architectural Barriers. Motion **SECONDED** by Chad Fabian. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed. It was discussed that the engineering fees will need to be paid out of the general fund for the project.
3. Special Meeting will be held on March 24, 2014 to accept bids for millings.
4. The 1993 Dump truck needs replaced and we have an equipment allowance out in our Liquid Fuels account that will support a new truck purchase. **MOTION** by Allen Skopp to approve Dump Truck Purchase for the Public Works department through COG or Costars receiving state contracted pricing. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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5. Council and the Mayor wanted to remind residents that there is a curfew ordinance in the Borough of Derry. Council asked the Mayor to have the police department address the issues with vandalism and enforcing the curfew. The president explained that there the parents can be fined up to \$1,000.00.

Derry Borough Council held an executive session for personnel and legal reasons at 8:10pm at the Derry Borough Council work session held on Monday, March 3, 2014. The executive session ended at 8:40pm.

Derry Borough Council held an executive session for legal matters at 7:30pm. The executive session ended at 7:42pm.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Allen Skopp to pay the bills totaling \$23,298.15 and all outstanding legitimate bills through the end of the month. Motion **SECONDED** by Chad Fabian. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jim Ritenour to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Allen Skopp. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta
Secretary