

## November 10, 2014

Derry Borough Council met in regular session Monday, November 10, 2014 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, Allen Skopp, Barry Holden, Al Checca, Dave Fletcher, Jim Ritenour, and Tom Lipinski were present. Mayor Dave Bolen was present. Solicitor Lee Demosky was absent. Greg Reinbold, Tribune Review and Nick Cammuso was reporting.

**MOTION** by Allen Skopp to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting of October 13, 2014. Motion **SECONDED** by Dave Fletcher. 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 \$210,802.89 for October 31, 2014. Motion **SECONDED** by Tom Lipinski. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

1. Kathy Crowe – 132 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue – Round House Pizza – The business will be for take-out or delivery only and she was wondering if they could have two signs for 15 minute parking only to support their type of business. There will be no eat-in sitting area available. Council stated they would review and discuss and get back with her.
2. David Jones – 513 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue – Observing with interest in vacancies available.

### 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.

### MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Dave Bolen submitted the Mayor’s report for October 2014 with receipts of \$1,127.69 which included traffic receipts of \$658.67 and non-traffic receipts of \$331.77. There were 104 complaint calls, 44 traffic citations, and no non-traffic citations with no parking tickets.

The Click-It or Ticket program was run last month with a \$500 reimbursement program. CPR updates were attended and firearm qualifications were attended.

The Mayor wanted to thank the Derry FOE Club for donating approximately \$7,000 for winter clothes needed for children in our immediate area.

Jim Ritenour requested that the police report be put in the local round-up in the Latrobe Bulletin. Al Checca mentioned that we could post a report on their facebook page as well to keep the public informed.

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**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT**

BIU reported (3) three code enforcement issues and (1) one UCC permit was issued for October 2014.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Jim Ritenour – Wedge Curbing Project was completed

Sidewalk Project was rebid for November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 1:00pm by GTE

Chad Fabian – There were findings in the audit by DEP for our Flood Control projects which included some sediment which needs removed and overgrown vegetation in Garland Mills which will need addressed.

- A letter needs to go out to McBrooms property regarding their overgrown vegetation.
- Council discussed having department heads prepare a priority list for future years for budgeting purposes and to have an idea of future projects needed for review.

**REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

DARcee will be decorating the Gazebo with an annual Christmas tree on Sunday, November 29, 2014. There will not be a Christmas in the Park this year due to Share the Joy is no longer providing Santa's sleigh rides and there were scheduling conflicts with the school groups to perform.

Derry Railroad Days Committee is sponsoring Santa at the Caboose on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 1pm-4pm.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

Letter of recommendation received by the Planning Commission regarding one ton capacity personal vehicles was forwarded to Solicitor Lee Demosky for draft of amendment.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Saturday, November 15, 2014 they will be having a Light your porch light night in memorial of Barry Smith for his creation of the Neighborhood Watch Pro
- Hoffman's 2015 Dog Contract \$80 per month
- Jim Ochs was provided all the Floodplain Map Information with Ordinance as our Ordinance cites that he is the Flood Plain Manager. Upon any applications, he is to review if there is a floodplain concern.

**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. One (1) vacancy for the Planning Commission
- d. Vacancy Board Chairman

There were no letters of interest received.

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2. N. Ligonier Street Bridge- Letter was sent to GTE to review Owens Avenue as a possible option.
3. **MOTION** by Allen Skopp to advertise the 2015 General Fund Budget at 29 mills with Ordinance. Motion **SECONDED** by Tom Lipinski. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
4. **MOTION** by Dave Fletcher to approve Resolution # 581-14 Settlement Agreement with Aegis and Ligonier Stone & Lime Company. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
5. Sidewalk Project Bids – Approve Rhino Construction as lowest bidder at \$125,370.00

Rhino Construction	\$125,370.00
Santa Maria Landscaping	\$158,495.00
D&M Contracting	\$284,375.00

**MOTION** by Jim Ritenour was made to accept and award Rhino Construction as the lowest responsible bidder the contract for the Sidewalk Maintenance and Replacement Project. Motion **SECONDED** by Tom Lipinski. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**Derry Borough Council went in executive session at the Derry Borough Council work session held on Monday, November 3, 2014 at 8:52pm for a residential tax exoneration request and personnel. The executive session ended at 9:08pm.**

**Derry Borough Council went in to executive session at the Derry Borough Council regular meeting held on Monday, November 10, 2014 at 7:26 pm for personnel reasons. The executive session ended at 7:57 pm.**

**MOTION** by Allen Skopp to hire Anthony Vittone as a part-time police officer. Motion **SECONDED** by Al Checca. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Zoning Amendment – Solicitor Lee Demosky is working on a draft amendment.
2. Update Zoning Fees- The BIU agreement will need updated with pricing changes if council would like to proceed.
3. **MOTION** by Allen Skopp to advertise for Bids for 1993 F-450. Motion **SECONDED** by Barry Holden. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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4. **MOTION** by Tom Lipinski to advertise for rates for Tax Anticipation Loan in the amount of \$95,000 for 2015. Motion **SECONDED** by Dave Fletcher. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.
5. Winter Snow Plowing- Allen Skopp will discuss with Amy Forscha at the next Municipal Authority Board meeting utilizing their employees if needed for a third person for plowing during winter storms. Derry Borough will reimburse their wages.
6. Municipal Building Maintenance – The Municipal Authority reviewed the lines at the Municipal Building. There has been some line issues recently and the basement is reflecting a moisture issue in the front bay of the building, which seems to be coming from seeping during the winter months of salt and snow. There is a sewer line which has blockage in front of the municipal building which needs to be addressed. The problem is that the line may run under the flag pole and the stone memorial in front of the building. Also, we need a main shut off valve installed inside the Municipal Building. Allen Skopp is going to discuss with Amy Forscha to see if they can assist with these issues and will get back with council.

Council discussed having a feasibility study to see if we should move forward with a new municipal building or keeping our historical building with improvements. A review needs to be completed.

Mayor Bolen wanted to know if New Alexandria responded to their interest regarding a recreation board for the area. He asked if the secretary could contact them to see if they have any input.

Follow up of Gibson Thomas is needed on the following: a map showing our property re-assessment for the Stormwater Project, an estimate for the Conduit Inspection needed every five years for Flood Plain Management, the Review of Owens Avenue and N. Ligonier St. Bridge, and the Sidewalk Project with CDBG.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**MOTION** by Allen Skopp to pay bills totaling \$ 32,989.81 and all outstanding legitimate bills through the end of the month. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

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ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION** by Dave Fletcher to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Motion **SECONDED** by Jim Ritenour. All members present voiced “aye” in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori L. Latta, Secretary