

BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2008

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Caruso at 7:00 P.M.

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IV. ROLL CALL:

Present:

Paul Sharkady, Jean Popp, Allen J. Williams, Richard Russo, Joseph Milioto, Ronald Cianelli, George Coleman, Daniel Caruso, Jr., and Steve Lucas (who joined the meeting at 7:05 P.M.)

Others Present:

Borough Manager Terry Hazlett, Engineer Harvey Treschow, and Attorney Patrick Derrico

Absent:

Mayor Anthony Colaizzo

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

VI. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes – November 10, 2008

Mr. Russo moved to approve the November 10, 2008 Canonsburg Borough Council Meeting minutes.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

B. 2009 Canonsburg Borough Budget

Mrs. Popp moved to approve the 2009 Canonsburg Borough Budget of \$3,979,964 with a General Purposes Tax of 30 mils, a Special Road Fund of 2 mils, a Debt Service of 1.33 mils, and a Special Fire Department Equipment Fund of 3 mils, for a total of 36.33 mils.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes

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Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

C. 2009 Canonsburg Tax Ordinance

Mrs. Popp motioned to approve the 2009 Canonsburg Tax Ordinance.

Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

George Coleman	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Steve Lucas	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

D. 2009 Canonsburg Salary Ordinance

Mr. Hazlett informed Council that there is an error on Page 2. It states that the contract ended December 31, 2010, and it should be December 31, 2009. (Council members have a corrected copy.)

Mrs. Popp moved to approve the 2009 Canonsburg Salary Ordinance.

Mr. Lucas seconded the motion.

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ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

E. 2009 CHJA Budget

Mr. Lucas moved to approve the 2009 Canonsburg-Houston Joint Authority Budget of \$1,695,082.

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

George Coleman	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Steve Lucas	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

F. 2009 Garbage Collection Rate

Mr. Sharkady moved to set the 2009 garbage collection rate at \$42 per quarter.

Mr. Russo seconded the motion.

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ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

G. Cooperation Agreement – Our Town Cooperative

Mrs. Popp motioned to approve a Cooperation Agreement with Our Town Cooperative.

Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

H. Resolution – Canonsburg Renaissance Group

Mr. Russo moved to approve a Resolution breaking Borough ties with the Canonsburg Renaissance Group.

Mr. Coleman seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

George Coleman	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Jean Popp	No
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Steve Lucas	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Eight Yes, One No. Motion carried.

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BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG - 5 - MINUTES OF DEC. 8, 2008
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I. Resolution – Community Block Grant Funding

Mr. Russo motioned to approve a Resolution for \$513,000 in Community Block Grant Funding to be distributed as follows: \$100,000 for home rehabilitation, \$50,000 for code enforcement, \$337,000 for street renovations on West College Street from Belmont to Jefferson, including a small portion of Taylor Drive and Church Way, and \$26,000 for engineering on West College Street Project.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the motion.

Discussion was held.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion carried.

J. Appointments to Planning Commission

Mr. Williams motioned to appoint Joe Milioto and Peter Lucas to the Planning Commission for four-year terms effective January 1, 2009.

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes

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Joseph Milioto	Abstain
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Eight Yes, Zero No, One Abstain. Motion carried.

K. Planning Commission Vacancy

Mrs. Popp moved to appoint Dominick Calabro to fill the vacancy of Theodore Severyn on the Planning Commission through December 31, 2011.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

L. Appointments to Parks and Recreation Board

Mr. Lucas moved to appoint Leanna Coyle, Kim Fee, and Jessica Palumbi to the Parks and Recreation Board for three-year terms effective January 1, 2009.

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

M. Alternate – Parks and Recreation Board

Mrs. Popp moved to appoint Kathleen Norton as an alternate on the Parks and Recreation Board.

Mr. Lucas seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

N. Appointments – Civil Service Commission

Mr. Williams moved to appoint the following to the Civil Service Commission effective January 1, 2009: George Coleman (four-year term), Roland DiTullio (three-year term), and James Chemento (two-year term).

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

George Coleman	Abstain
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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Richard Russo	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Steve Lucas	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Eight Yes, Zero No, One
Abstain. Motion carried.

O. Appointment – UCC Review Board

Mr. Sharkady moved to appoint John Elzer to the UCC
Review Board for a three-year term effective January 1, 2009.

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

VII. FINANCE REPORT:

A. Presentation of Bills for Approval – Jean Popp

Mrs. Popp moved to pay the bills, which includes the following:

1. General Fund
2. Waste Water Plant Operations
3. I & I
4. Garbage Service
5. Fireman Allocation

Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Steve Lucas	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Jean Popp	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Nine Yes, Zero No. Motion
carried.

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B. Maintenance Agreement

Mrs. Popp stated that the Finance Committee talked with Mr. Hazlett today and would like to have the engineer communications contract (for the police) put out for bid for next year.

Discussion was held.

Mr. Hazlett will look into this and get a copy of the contract.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Parking Meters in Front of Homes – Brought up by Mr. Russo

Discussion was held pertaining to 15 parking meters that are in front of homes. Parking meters average revenue of \$235.00 per year. Removing 15 meters would cost the Borough approximately \$3,525.00 annually. These residential meters include eight on Pike Street, five on Jefferson Avenue, and two on Greenside.

Mr. Lucas moved to leave the parking meters as is.

Mrs. Popp seconded the motion.

Mr. Williams suggested tabling this matter until next month so that a tally can be made of these specific meters, rather than calculating an average taken of total meters (185) in the Borough.

Further discussion was held.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

George Coleman	Yes
Ronald Cianelli	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes
Richard Russo	No
Allen J. Williams	No
Jean Popp	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Steve Lucas	Yes
Daniel Caruso, Jr.	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Seven Yes, Two No. Motion carried.

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IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Employee Absence Due to Illness – Brought up by Mr. Hazlett

Due to the fact that Dale Rhome will be off sick for two or three months, Mr. Hazlett met with Fire Chief Solobay, and they decided to pull someone from Public Works three days a week to take care of the Borough buildings.

- B. Neighborhood Parking – Brought Up by Mr. Coleman

Mr. Coleman stated that the firemen and police are complaining that many delivery trucks are having trouble getting around the streets because of people parking on both sides of the street and parking close to intersections.

Mr. Hazlett has addressed this and informed Council members that they have a copy of the letter in their boxes.

Further discussion was held pertaining to overhanging trees and public safety, as well as enforcement of ordinances/rules.

Mr. Hazlett will be meeting with representatives of the Fire Department next week. In addition, he has sent memos to Code Enforcement and Zoning in reference to issuing citations for failing to have house numbers on homes.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Russo moved to adjourn.

Mr. Williams seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Mary A. Solomon

ATTACHMENTS:

None