

BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 14, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER:

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

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IV. ROLL CALL:

Present:

Richard Russo, Paul Sharkady, Joseph Graff, Joseph Milioto, Patricia Romano, Fran Coleman, George Coleman, and Michael Kazmarski

Others Present:

Borough Manager Terry Hazlett, Engineer Harvey Treschow, Attorney Patrick Derrico, Mayor David H. Rhome, and Police Chief R. T. Bell

Absent:

Allen J. Williams

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

VI. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

President Joseph Milioto had no comments at this time.

VII. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes -- February 14, 2011

Mr. Sharkady motioned to approve the minutes of Canonsburg Borough Regular Council Meeting of February 14, 2011.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

B. Motion – Ordinance – Regulating Stormwater Runoff

Mr. Coleman motioned to approve an ordinance to provide minimum standards regulating the stormwater runoff from land alteration and disturbance activities.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes

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Allen J. Williams	Absent
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Michael Kazmarski	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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

- C. Motion – Resolution of Support—Continuation of CBDG Funding
Mr. Russo motioned to approve a Resolution in support of continuation of Community Development Block Grant Funding.
Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Michael Kazmarski	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Absent
Joseph Graff	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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

- D. Approval to Refinance 2002 and 2003 Bonds
Mr. Russo motioned to approve the refinancing of 2002 and 2003 bonds as a general obligation note.
Mr Graff seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Absent

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Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Michael Kazmarski	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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

- E. Motion – Approve Bid – Town Park Restrooms Renovation
Mr. Kazmarski motioned to approve the low bid of \$10,800 by Roberts & Wescott for renovation of Town Park Main Pavilion restrooms.

Mr. Russo seconded the motion.

Remarks: Mr. Treschow stated that he had given all of Council a spreadsheet tonight showing a breakdown of the bids and recommended that Council approve this.

NOTE: A copy of the spreadsheet is attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Michael Kazmarski	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Absent
Joseph Graff	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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

- F. Motion for PennDOT Approval – Closing of Pike Street for Parades
Mr. Graff motioned to seek PennDOT approval to close Pike Street for the Memorial Day (May 30, 2011) and Fourth of July (July 4, 2011) parades.

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Mr. Kazmarski seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Absent
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Michael Kazmarski	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Eight Yes, Zero No, One Absent.

Motion carried.

VIII. REMARKS BY STATE REPRESENTATIVE:

State Representative Brandon Neumann commended Council, the Mayor, and Police Chief for the manner in which they have handled the adverse conditions that have occurred in the Borough during 2010 and the beginning of 2011.

IX. FINANCE REPORT:

A. Presentation of Bills for Approval – Richard Russo

Mr. Russo held out three bills, which he reviewed with Council:

1. HMT & Associates – Issue with Residence on Murdock Street looked into per request of Council ;
2. Chemicals purchased by Canonsburg-Houston Joint Authority for use on sidewalks in the winter;
3. Chemicals purchased by Public Works for use on sidewalks in the winter.

Discussion was held. Item 1 was just a reminder to Council that HMT & Associates has to charge for anything Council requests them to do. Item 2 will be looked into by Mr. Hazlett, and Item 3 will be looked into by Mr. Kazmarski. It was decided that all three will be included in the bills to be approved tonight.

Mr. Russo motioned to approve the bills, which includes the following:

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

Mr. Kazmarski seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Michael Kazmarski	Yes
George Coleman	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Allen J. Williams	Absent
Joseph Graff	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Richard Russo	Yes
Joseph Milioto	Yes

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

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Morgan Street Project – Brought up by Mr. Kazmarski
Mr. Kazmarski passed along three pictures submitted by Mr. Treschow pertaining to Morgan Street and reported that the project is in the process of being wrapped up.
Mayor Rhome added that the residents asked him to express their thanks to Council.
- B. Bids for Renovation of Town Park Main Pavilion Rest Rooms
Mr. Treschow expanded on this matter, which was voted on tonight. SEE PAGE 3, ITEM VII-E.
- C. Delinquencies – Brought up by Mr. Milioto
Mr. Milioto reported that he asked Mr. Hazlett for a listing of the garbage delinquencies and also requested that he check with Pennsylvania American Water for sewage delinquencies.

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D. Meeting Pertaining to Drop Pension – Brought up by Mr. Russo
It was decided to reschedule the meeting from March 21st to
March 28th, as the labor attorney is available to attend on that
date.

Chief Bill will arrange for police representation at this public
meeting.

E. Compromise Offer Pertaining to Library and Donaldson Supply
(C & C Concrete) on Murdock Street – Brought up by Mr. Russo
Mr. Russo reported that the day after this was in the newspaper
Mrs. Sarris contacted him and informed him that there is no
interest in any type of partnering on Murdock Street; therefore,
this offer is off the table.

Discussion was held pertaining to this matter.

Attorney Derrico will revisit this issue, try to summarize it, and
report back to Council with a recommendation.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Committee Reports

1. Public Safety – Joseph Graff

Mr. Graff reported on the following:

- a. Fire Department – January
13 calls; total damages -- \$0
- b. Fire Department – February
10 calls; total damages -- \$0

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (continued from Item X)

A. Civil Service Commission – Brought up by Mayor Rhome

Mayor Rhome thanked the Civil Service Commission and Chair-
man George Coleman for meeting last Thursday and upgrading
the list for the next three names on the Civil Service List.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS: (continued Item XI)

A. Recognition of Women -- Brought up by Mr. Coleman

Mr. Coleman reported that Peg Wilson, who has done a lot for
the food bank and getting casino money for Canonsburg and
the entire Washington County, was honored on March 2, 2011

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in the City of Pittsburgh at the Sixth Annual Woman Achievement Award. Ms. Wilson is the first recipient from Washington County.

Mr. Coleman requested that Council honor Ms. Wilson.

Mr. Graff suggested that Nellie Chester be honored.

Mr. Coleman asked that Council have a resolution prepared in honor of Peg Wilson for her achievement.

Mr. Sharkady seconded the request.

Remarks: Mrs. Romano stated that she has been a member of Canonsburg Business and Professional Women for 24 years. Every year they select a Woman of the Year who works hard and is involved in everything, so she doesn't think this would be fair. It was decided that Mayor Rhome will prepare two resolutions – one honoring the Woman of the Year from the Canonsburg Business and Professional Women and one honoring Peg Wilson, a recipient of the Sixth Annual Woman Achievement Award (in Pittsburgh).

Attorney Derrico mentioned that Canon-McMillan Wrestling Team won the state tournament.

Mayor Rhome reported that this is already in the works.

B. Census Report – Brought up by Mr. Hazlett

Mr. Hazlett informed Council that the Census Report came out, and Canonsburg's population is up by 4 ½ per cent.

C. Sidewalk Enforcement Issue – Brought up by Mr. Milioto

Mr. Milioto has talked with the other representatives of Third Ward and proposed to them that each ward address this matter on its own and take a reactive approach. He asked Council if there were any objections to this.

Mr. Coleman voiced his displeasure with the \$300 per day fine, doing this so quickly in the winter, and not going through the maze of events it should go through. Council should vote on this, and Mrs. Romano (committee chairman) should not have gotten a letter.

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Mr. Russo asked Mr. Milioto what he meant by taking a reactive approach.

Mr. Milioto explained that it would be addressed when someone brings it up or an investigation is done that shows something really needs to be addressed.

Mr. Russo had no objection to this, as long as Code Enforcement understands they might have different enforcement approaches in different wards.

Mr. Graff said he would like to see the fine of \$300 per day reduced to a much lower amount.

Mr. Russo stated that in the Second Ward, they would waive the fine, allow the people an opportunity to get it done, show them where there's free money to do it, and don't put any time restraints on it – give them 12 or 18 months to get it done.

Mr. Coleman reminded Council that Code Enforcement didn't do anything wrong; they were enforcing an Ordinance that's on the books.

D. Mr. Graff called for an Executive Session pertaining to personnel matters.

E. Census Figure – Brought up by Mr. Sharkady

In reference to Item XIII-B on Page 7, Mr. Sharkady informed Mr. Hazlett that the population figure is 8,727.

Mr. Hazlett replied that this figure was from the American Census estimate, but the one that came out this past Saturday or Sunday showed that the figure is now 8,900 plus.

F. Mr. Coleman expressed his gratitude to Mr. Hazlett and his staff for doing a great job on comp time totals and related reports. He suggested that Council seriously look at the request for \$65 per hour.

Mr. Graff felt that it should be brought down to \$50 per hour.

Mr. Graff motioned to change the \$60 per hour charge to \$50 per hour to outside vendors who use our police force.

Mr. Russo and Mr. Sharkady mentioned that there is a workshop

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scheduled for March 28, 2011.

Mr. Milioto called three times for a second, but there was none.
MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

Mr. Coleman suggested having a discussion on the 28th. He said he supports the \$50 Mr. Graff suggested, but he doesn't support the fact that we don't have any documents going along with it saying these folks should be subcontractors, and they should be paid separately.

Mr. Milioto stated that this is a legal issue that was interpreted previously, but it will have to be discussed publicly.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Executive Session pertaining to personnel began at 7:55 P.M.

No action was taken after the Executive Session.

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 P.M.

Mary A. Solomon

ATTACHMENTS:

1. HMT & Associates, Inc. Bid Tabulation Sheet
Re: Canonsburg Main Pavilion Restroom Renovation