

BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 12, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER:

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

II. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

IV. ROLL CALL:

Present:

Richard Russo, Paul Sharkady, Joseph Graff, Joseph McGarry, John Bevec, Patricia Romano, Fran Coleman, Timothy Bilsky, and Peter Lucas

Others Present:

Borough Manager Terry Hazlett, Engineer Harvey Treschow, Attorney Patrick Derrico, and Mayor David H. Rhome

Absent:

Police Chief R. T. Bell

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- A. Mr. Bill Angotti, of 340 Euclid Avenue, stated that he was approaching Council again in reference to the property at 360 Euclid Avenue, Canonsburg, PA and informed Council that he and the neighbors are in the process of getting signatures to stop this business and property.

He read a statement listing their concerns, some of which are as follows:

1. They would like to see a cease and desist order to stop all future work at this property.
2. There was a work permit granted for this property without a hearing for change of use of this property for new business concerning metal scrap business.
3. No consideration about traffic and affect of traffic on Patch Alley, Route 980, First Street, Craighead Street, Euclid Avenue, Franklin Avenue, Giffin Avenue, and all other surrounding streets and avenues.
3. How it will affect the roads.
4. How much more do we need to protect properties and

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local vehicles privately owned by local residents from metal nails falling from vehicles on our alleys puncturing tires, etc.

5. Dust and noise in the area.

5. Can it cause an increase in crime in the neighborhood?

Mr. Hazlett said that they did not get a business permit; all they got was a permit to work on a door. They would have to go to Zoning.

Mr. Treschow stated that a cease and desist certified letter has been sent, the property has been posted on the front door, and every time anyone has been down there, no one is there. Also, they have contacted the person who was leasing the property, but he has not returned the calls.

Mr. Russo asked if the tenant or owner was issued a permit.

Mr. Treschow again stated that the only permit issued was to change the door, and it was issued to the tenant (Canon Mac Metals).

Further discussion was held.

Mr. Hazlett stated that, in addition to HMT, the Borough's Code and Zoning person(s) have been down there three times a week and can't find anyone there. The building has been posted. They can't open or do anything, but they cannot be denied access to their own building.

- B. Mr. Dave White, of 566 Tannehill Street, was present representing Washington-Greene County Toys for Tots. He thanked the Borough and Council for sponsoring a collection point in the building.
- C. Mr. Josh Bell, who is not a resident of Canonsburg, was representing Canonsburg Ambulance. He said he handles day-to-day operations and is going to try to attend the meetings monthly to present a report.
- D. Mr. Rick Stauffer, of 317 Munnell Street, presented to Council a petition signed by residents of Tiptop and Munnell Street, as

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well as pictures, in reference to a safety matter pertaining to road conditions and the edges of the road not being defined. He said that sometimes people actually drive through yards and are slipping and sliding on the road due to the deteriorating condition.

VI. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

A. Upcoming Meetings

Mr. Bevec stated that there will be a General Purposes Meeting Tuesday, November 20, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. for preliminary approval of the 2013 Borough budget.

Interviews will be held that same evening at 6:30 P.M. for the purpose of hiring a potential Public Works Director.

(The General Purposes Meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.)

Interviews will be continued after adjournment of the General Purposes Meeting.

VII. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Sharkady motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 8, 2012.

Mrs. Romano seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

B. Sludge Hauling Contract

Mr. Graff motioned to approve Vogel Disposal Service, Inc. as the low bidder for sludge hauling at the sewage plant at the three-year extended price of \$238,680.

Mr. Bilsky seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes

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Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

C. Resolution – Police Pension Contribution

Mr. Sharkady motioned to approve a resolution confirming police pension contribution at 2.5%.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

D. Agreement with Library

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve a ten-year agreement with Frank Sarris Public Library.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	Yes

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Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

E. Decline Appeal of Arbitrator Decision

Mr. Sharkady motioned to decline appeal of the arbitrator decision regarding Alan Brooks.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

F. Borough Engineer's and Borough Manager's Reports

Mr. Graff motioned to approve the Borough Engineer's and Borough Manager's Reports for November 5, 2012.

Mrs. Coleman seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

VIII. FINANCE REPORT:

A. Presentation of Bills for Approval – Peter Lucas

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

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

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6. Capital Projects

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Yes
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Yes
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

IX. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Rhome reported on the following:

- A. Police Report for October, 2012
- B. Parking Enforcement Department Monthly Report
- C. Handicapped Parking Space

Mayor Rhome recommended approving a Handicapped Parking space for James McPeake, Jr.

Mr. Sharkady motioned to approve a Handicapped Parking space for James McPeake, Jr., of 444 Ridge Avenue.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

- D. Recognition of Veterans Day

On behalf of the Veterans Council and himself, Mayor Rhome thanked Council members for being in attendance for the veterans service that was held in front of the Municipal Building on Saturday.

X. BOROUGH MANAGER:

Mr. Hazlett has received inquiries about the Christmas lights and stated that

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they will all be up by December 4, 2012.

XI. ENGINEER:

- A. Pike Street – Brought Up by Mrs. Coleman  
Mr. Treschow has contacted PennDOT.

XII. SOLICITOR:

Attorney Derrico had nothing to report on at this time.

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no reports at this time.

XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Mr. Bevec again reminded Council of the General Purpose Meeting to be held Tuesday, November 20, 2012.

XV. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Free Parking – Brought Up by Mr. Sharkady  
Mr. Bevec informed Mr. Sharkady that this was tabled until after the first of the year.  
Discussion was held.
- B. Veterans Day – Brought Up by Mr. Bilsky  
Mr. Bilsky reminded everyone that today is Veterans Day and expressed his appreciation to all who have served.
- C. Vehicle that Needs to be Moved – Brought Up by Mrs. Romano  
Mr. Bevec has been in touch with the gentleman, and he will try to move the car as soon as possible.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was needed.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McGarry motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Mary A. Solomon

ATTACHMENTS:

None