

BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 10, 2013

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 McGarry, John Bevec, Fran Coleman, Timothy Bilsky, Peter Lucas, and Joseph Graff (who joined the meeting at 7:05 P.M.)

Others Present:

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

Absent:

Patricia Romano

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

VI. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Bevec addressed the following:

A. Request for Executive Session

Re: Personnel (Borough Manager)

The Executive Session began at approximately 7:10 P.M.

VII. CALL BACK TO ORDER:

Mr. Bevec called the meeting back to order at 7:31 P.M.

No action was taken tonight, but a General Purpose Meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.

VIII. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 13, 2013.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

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B. Approval of Engineer's Report

Mrs. Coleman motioned to approve the Engineer's Report of June 3, 2013.

Mr. Bilsky seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

C. Approval to Sell Skids of Concrete Pavers

Mrs. Coleman motioned to approve the sale of skids of concrete pavers currently at the Borough garage.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

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

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

D. Motion to Revise Fee Schedule for Zoning Hearing/Planning Commission Meetings

Mr. Bevec stated that Mr. Treschow has provided information pertaining to fees charged by some of our neighbors. This will be handled in a workshop this summer when a Borough Manager is in place.

E. Motion to Approve Hiring Personnel

Mr. Bevec reported that this matter will be delayed for the time being.

IX. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Rhome reported on the following:

A. Police Report for May, 2013

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- B. Parking Enforcement Department Report
(Included in packet)
- C. D.A.R.E. Program
Recognized Officer Don Cross who graduated over 400 children in the D.A.R.E. Program that was held throughout the school year.
- D. Transportation Meeting of May 22, 2013
Mayor Rhome stated that they had been here several months ago and are now working to combine. They will be coming back to Council to ask for support to augment the transportation in Washington County.
- E. Pennsylvania State Police Commercial Vehicle Safety Program
An officer has now been trained in the Pennsylvania State Police Commercial Vehicle Safety Program. His name is Scott Bashum.
- F. Executive Session
Mayor Rhome requested an Executive Session in reference to personnel at the conclusion of this meeting.

X. ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. Treschow had no report at this time.

Mr. Bevec stated that Public Safety and Public Works will get together with Mr. Treschow in reference to the property on Crawford Avenue. They will try to get this on the table for discussion in July.

XI. FINANCE REPORT:

- A. Presentation of Bills for Approval – Peter Lucas

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

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

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

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ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

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

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

Motion carried.

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Park Board

1. Mr. Russo reported on Tuesday's Park Board Meeting.
2. Mr. Russo asked Attorney Derrico if the Park Board can approve spending of budget money for handyman type of work or if they have to follow the guidelines of the Borough of \$10,000.

Attorney Derrico advised that the Park Board would have to make recommendations to Council, and Council would vote on it.

3. Discussion was held pertaining to how to handle cumulative totals.

Mr. Treschow explained that the first \$18,000 is the limit to where it has to be publicly advertised and bid.

He will send guideline information to Mr. Russo.

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Bevec had two unfinished items:

A. Regional Sewer Authority

Mr. Bevec stated that no response has been received from Cecil Township or North Strabane Township.

Clarification of where this stands: Either status quo, operating

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Authority (as Canonsburg-Houston Joint Authority had previously proposed), in house, or selling out to a public entity.

B. Bond Counsel

Attorney Derrico has reviewed the letter and explained that they would only charge if they get the bond issue. However, they have to have a commitment letter authorizing them to look into it.

It was decided that the commitment letter will be signed and sent back to bond counsel.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Taping of Meetings

Mrs. Coleman asked if Council members have a right to tape record the meetings.

Attorney Derrico replied that it is permissible, but everyone must be informed – audience and Council members. It cannot be done secretly.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Rhome asked that Mr. Treschow and Chief Bell be included in the Executive Session, which pertains to personnel.

No action was taken after the Executive Session.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Russo motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Graff seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Mary A. Solomon

ATTACHMENTS:

None