

BOROUGH OF CANONSBURG
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bevec at 7:00 P.M. at the Frank Sarris Public Library.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

III. ROLL CALL:

Present:

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

Others Present:

Borough Manager Robert Kipp, Engineer Harvey Treschow, Attorney Patrick Derrico, and Mayor David H. Rhome

Absent:

Joseph Graff and Patricia Romano

IV. GUESTS:

A. Kerry Fox – Washington County Redevelopment Authority

Mr. Fox reported on the following items:

1. RP's for Sidewalks Project
2. Streets Project
3. \$400,000 Available for Qualified Streets

Discussion was held.

Action must be taken by resolution in December.

The money can also be used for sewer projects, water line projects, and anything that works out for low to moderate income benefit.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were none.

VI. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Bevec had nothing to report at this time.

VII. VOTING ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 16, 2013.

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Mrs. Coleman seconded the motion.
The motion was passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Engineer's Report

Mr. Russo motioned to approve the Engineer's Report of October 7, 2013.

Mr. Lucas seconded the motion.
The motion was passed unanimously.

C. Appointment to Canonsburg-Houston Joint Authority

Mr. Lucas motioned to appoint John Bevec to complete the term of Robert Luksis on the Canonsburg-Houston Joint Authority.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

Remarks: Mr. Sharkady stated that Council has been trying for some time to get a Councilman on the Authority. He said that this is the Third time this has come up, and he felt that this is the perfect time to put a Councilman on that Board.

Mr. Bevec said that he is a Councilman.

Mr. Sharkady replied that he won't be in January.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	No
Joseph Graff	Absent
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Absent
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	No
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Abstain

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Four Yes, Two No, One Abstain, and Two Absent.

D. Motion to Reject Bidders for Refuse and Recycling

Mrs. Coleman motioned to reject all bidders for refuse and recycling due to typographical error in the advertisement.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

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The question was raised as to whether or not these would be re-bid.

Mr. Kipp stated that they will be re-bid.

The motion was passed unanimously.

E. Appointment of Zoning Officer

Mrs. Coleman motioned to appoint the Borough Manager as Zoning Officer.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

Remarks: Mr. Kipp explained that there have been some issues with consistency. There have been a lot of people going through that office. There were some concerns about people coming in and appointments being missed. It is also easier to expedite building permits if there's someone in the office to sign off on them.

Mr. Bilsky asked if this is allowable.

Mr. Kipp replied that most municipalities under 10,000 have the Manager as the Zoning Officer.

The motion was passed unanimously.

F. Appointment to Sarris Public Library Board

Mr. Lucas motioned to appoint Thomas Stanko to the Sarris Library Board for a four-year term expiring on 12-31-17.

Mr. McGarry seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

G. Fink Subdivision Plan

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve the Fink Subdivision Plan as per the Borough Planning Commission's recommendation.

Mr. Bilsky seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	Yes
Joseph Graff	Absent
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Absent

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Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

G, Approval of Fink Site Plan

Mr. Bilsky motioned to approve the Fink Site Plan as per the recommendation of the Borough Planning Commission.

Mr. Lucas seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

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

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

H. Approval of Jeffreys Drug Store Sign

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve Jeffreys Drug Store sign as per the Borough Planning Commission.

Mrs. Coleman seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

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

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Timothy Bilsky	Yes
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

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

I. Eminent Domain Process

Mr. Russo motioned to begin the Eminent Domain process for 34 East Pike Street.

Mr. Lucas seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

Richard Russo	Yes
Paul Sharkady	No
Joseph Graff	Absent
Joseph McGarry	Yes
Patricia Romano	Absent
Fran Coleman	Yes
Timothy Bilsky	No
Peter Lucas	Yes
John Bevec	Yes

RESULTS OF THE MOTION: Five Yes, Two No, Two Absent.
Morton carried.

VIII. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Before beginning his report, Mayor Rhome asked for a moment of silence for Borough resident, Mr. Dan Kapis.

The Mayor reported on the following:

- A. Police Department Report for September, 2013
- B. Parking Enforcement Report
- C. National Drug Take Back Program – October 26, 2013 – 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

IX. ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. Treschow reported on the following:

- A. Letter from Sarris Candies
Re: Water Testing – Passed after fifth test

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Will be able to shut off the water, reconnect to the new line, and hope to start demolition of the bridge on Wednesday.

B. North Street

Paving is done, but there is still some work to be done on a day when there isn't any rain.

X. MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Kipp stated that an Executive Session will be needed to discuss potential litigation.

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Parks and Recreation

Mrs. Coleman reported on the Parks meeting held on Tuesday. Discussion was held pertaining to various projects in and around the Park.

XII. FINANCE REPORT:

A. Presentation of Bills for Approval – Peter Lucas

Mr. Lucas motioned to approve all 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. McGarry seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION:

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

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

XIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS:

There was none.

XV. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION:

Mrs. Coleman motioned to approve Resolution Number 06-13 – Local Share 2014 Grant Application for the basketball court at Town Park.

Mr. Russo seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

XVI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Derrico had no report at this time.

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session pertaining to potential litigation and also and update on a negotiation began at 7:34 P.M.

No action was taken after the Executive Session.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Mary A. Solomon

ATTACHMENTS:

None