

Canonsburg Borough Council Meeting
Monday, October 12, 2015
7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

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

A. **Moment of Silence** called by Mr. Bevec

B. **Pledge of Allegiance**

C. **Roll Call**

Mr. Paul Sharkady-Present

Mr. John Severine-Present

Mr. Tim Bilsky - Present

Mr. Rich Russo - Present

Mrs. Fran Coleman - Present

Mr. Joe McGarry - Present

Mr. John Bevec –President- Present

Others Present: Solicitor Mr. Patrick Derrico, HMT Engineer Mr. Harvey Treschow, Canonsburg Borough Manager Mr. Bob Kipp, Mayor David Rhome, Chief of Police Alex Coghill.

GUESTS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

Bid Openings:

1. Canonsburg Borough Park Road Installation Project. A dozen contractors were called, two bids received although six bids were picked up.
 - a. Slusarczyk Excavating=\$59,250.00 Base bid price
 - b. A. Merante=\$67,240.00 Base bid price

Discussion held regarding to table the bids for review or conditional approval to low bidder. Mr. Derrico to review the bids until later in the meeting. Mr. Russo stated the bids were over budget. He also stated a Park Board meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2015 in which this will be reviewed with a recommendation to Council. Mr. Russo inquired if weather would be a factor. Mr. Treschow stated the Borough has 30 days to respond.

2. Water Alley Control Program
 - a. Gregori Construction=\$89,340.00 Base bid price
 - b. A. Merante=\$115,348.00 Base bid price

Per Mr. Wilmot from HMT Engineering, the budgeted amount on this project is \$68,000.00. Mr. Treschow stated this is through a grant. Mr. Russo inquired about the funding, 85% will be grant money with the Borough matching 15%. Mr. Wilmot stated that the state will accept only up to the full amount of the secure grant which is \$65,000.00. The Borough's portion is 15% or \$11,500.00. Mr. Treschow stated he will look at re-designing to get the cost down as the lowest bid is about \$20,000 over budget. Mr. Treschow also stated they have two years to do this as the contracts are through 2017. Mr. Wilmot stated that if this was re-bid at a different time it could result in better prices due to the small size and bad weather in the future. Contractors may be busy and bidding high.

3. McBurney Flood Mitigation Project- 3 contracts for bid
 - a. J 5 Construction Contract #1 =\$299,500.00

Contract #2 =\$56,200.00
Contract #3 = no bid

- b. A. Merante
Contract #1 =adding up
Contract #2 =\$263,550.00
Contract #3 = no bid
- c. Gregori Construction
Contract #1 =\$196,005.00
Contract #2 =\$75,000.00
Contract #3 = no bid
- d. Inside Pipe
Contract #1 =no bid
Contract #2 =no bid
Contract #3 = \$132,600.00

Discussion held that have until 2017 and 30 days to respond.

Motion to table McBurney Road Project bid for Engineering and Solicitor review.

Motion by Mr. Russo to table the McBurney Road Project bid for Engineering and Solicitor review.
Seconded by Mrs. Coleman.
All in favor. Motion Carries.

Motion to table Water Alley Control Program for Engineering and Solicitor review.

Motion by Mr. Russo to table Water Alley Control Program for Engineering and Solicitor review.
Seconded by Mrs. Coleman.
All in favor. Motion Carries.

Motion to table Park Road Installation Project pending review of the Park Board.

Motion by Mrs. Coleman to table Park Road Installation Project pending review of the Park Board.
Seconded by Mr. McGarry.
All in favor. Motion Carries.

Mr. Russo stated the park budget for the entire basketball project, going up to old tennis courts including the road from Alpine down to the tennis courts, is part of the Capital Project monies, allocated at \$25,000.00. The rest is being funded by Park Board budget. For a total for the entire project being \$82,000.00. The road portion is \$43,500.00. The bids are higher than budgeted and will be reviewed with the board to see if there is something to take out or amend.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

None

Outstanding Committee Reports

None

Mayor Rhome discussed a request for handicap parking that will be added to voting items. 438 Duquesne Avenue. Public Safety approved.

Mr. Severine discussed Franklin and one-sided parking. Mr. Severine also discussed one-sided parking on Blaine on the 400 block, Southside. Mr. Severine stated that a 30 day notice will be distributed. A vote will take place at the next meeting. No objections.

Mr. Treschow provided Council with a map of the 11 acres of Canonsburg property. Mr. Bevec

discussed the map and the access possibilities to Canonsburg except for Gladden. Mr. Treschow stated that 5-6 years ago there was discussion with Southpointe and a resident that owns property to allow access to keep traffic off residential streets. Mr. Bevec stated the successful bidder would be responsible to allow access. The Borough would have to agree to allow the access from Euclid Avenue and any improvements the Borough may require. Mr. Treschow stated buffer zone and trees were considered. The buffer was discussed further, the height of the trees and current vegetation. The access would become the problem of the successful bidder. Further discussion held regarding access and the streets that could potentially be used. Gladden is the only one that ties into it now. Mr. Russo stated the parcel of land seems larger than 11 acres. Mr. Treschow stated it is all GPS satellite. Mr. Bevec stated the bidder would have to work out access and they are on their own for access as it stands right now and would need a buffer. The Borough may consider a bid if these is met. Move to voting item.

VOTING ITEMS:

1. Motion to approve Engineer's report of October 5, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Russo to approve Engineer's report of October 5, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Bilsky.

All in favor. Motion Carries.

2. Motion to approve CHJSA report of September 7, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Severine to approve CHJSA report of September 7, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Russo.

All in favor. Motion Carries.

3. Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2015, with 3 corrections of Mr. Fox vs. Mr. Kerry.

Motion by Mrs. Coleman to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2015, with 3 corrections of Mr. Fox vs. Mr. Kerry. Seconded by Mr. McGarry.

All in favor. Motion Carries.

4. Motion to approve award Water Alley Control Program.

Tabled

5. Motion to award McBurney Flood Control Program.

Tabled.

6. Motion to award Chartiers Creek Flood Program.

This item was approved last month.

7. Motion to award Park Road/Basketball Court Flood Control Program.

Tabled.

8. With the request of Public Safety a motion to grant a handicap parking space at 522 Giffin Avenue.

Mr. McGarry made a motion to grant a handicap parking space at 522 Giffin Avenue.

Seconded by Mr. Sharkady.

All in favor. Motion Carries.

Mr. Severine stated that residents need to park facing the handicap sign vs. backwards. Mayor Rhome stated residents are given those instructions and there is only a problem with one resident.

9. With a request of Public Safety a motion to grant handicap parking space at 438 Duquesne Avenue.

Motion by Mr. McGarry to grant handicap parking space at 438 Duquesne Avenue. Seconded by Mrs. Coleman.

All in favor. Motion Carries.

10. Motion to amend the Borough Handicapped Parking Space Policy (There is no official Resolution or Ordinance on this matter)

Motion by Mr. Bilsky to amend the Borough Handicapped Parking Space Policy (There is no official Resolution or Ordinance on this matter). Seconded by Mr. Russo.

Roll Call:

Mr. Sharkady-Yes
Mr. Severine-Yes
Mr. Bilsky-Yes
Mr. Russo-Yes
Mrs. Coleman-Yes
Mr. McGarry_Yes
Mr. Bevec-Yes

7 Yes. 0 No. Motion Carries.

11. Motion to advertise for bid an 11 acre parcel located in East Canonsburg, Cecil property, with the conditions of access which are notated in today's minutes and a buffer zone which are also notated in today's minutes. Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids that do not meet Council's satisfaction.

Mr. McGarry made the motion to advertise for bid an 11 acre parcel located in East Canonsburg, Cecil property, with the conditions of access which are notated in today's minutes and a buffer zone which are also notated in today's minutes. Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids that do not meet Council's satisfaction. Seconded by Mr. Severine.

Roll Call:

Mr. McGarry-Yes
Mrs. Coleman-Yes
Mr. Russo-Yes
Mr. Bilsky-Yes
Mr. Severine-Yes
Mr. Sharkady-Yes
Mr. Bevec-Yes

7 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carries.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Police Department report provided for review.
 2. Parking Enforcement report provided for review
 3. Fire Department inspected all Canonsburg Schools as well as North Strabane. It is a cooperative effort between both departments. Another week of inspections and teachings throughout the community. Mr. Bevec inquired if the new fireman, when in place, would provide inspections outside of Fire Prevention Week. Mayor Rhome stated this will be a daily routine when the person is in place.
 4. October 31st is a good time to change the batteries in smoke detectors when clocks are changed. Theme is if you have one smoke detector, you should have two and have one in the bedroom.
 5. November 21, 2015. Battle of Badges. The Canonsburg Fire Department, Police Department and EMS will Give the Gift of Life Blood Drive at the Blood Bank. Event 9:30-3:00. The amount of blood is critical this time of the year.
 6. November 26, 2015 the Canonsburg UP Church will hold Free Thanksgiving Dinners, welcome to all. 12p.m -2p.m on Thanksgiving.
 7. Carl Fetcko is the School Resource Officer (SRO). He has attended school and is now certified. He is now in school teaching. Mayor Rhome stated he was proud of Mr. Fetcko.
- Mr. Bevec commended Mayor Rhome for the program with the Pre-School children.

FINANCE REPORT:

Mrs. Coleman reported all bills and invoices were reviewed on October 9th and ready for approval.

1. General Fund
2. Waste Water Plant Operations

3. Garbage Service
4. Fireman Allocation
5. I & I
6. Capital Projects.

Motion by Mrs. Coleman to approve the bills. Seconded by Mr. Russo.

Roll Call:

Mr. Sharkady-No
Mr. Severine-Yes
Mr. Bilsky-Yes
Mr. Russo-Yes
Mrs. Coleman-Yes
Mr. McGarry-Yes
Mr. Bevec-Yes
6 Yes, 1 No. Motion Carries.

Engineer's Report:

None

Solicitor's Report:

None

Manager's Report:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. 11 acre parcel in Cecil owned by Canonsburg-moved to voting issues. Mr. Bevec inquired if bids could be opened at next meeting. Appraised price is half a million dollars.
2. Flood Control Grants Update (HMT)-reviewed with voting issues
3. Puskar Lane Paving Update (HMT)-on hold until more homes are built
4. Apple Hill Manhole raising update (HMT)-four manholes not completed, waiting on risers. The risers are in and to be installed.
5. Water issue on 100 block of West Pike Street- Mr. Treschow reported the design is finished and will have plumbers review and will have costs estimates for Borough review. Mrs. Coleman inquired if there was enough money in the Capital Budget. Mr. Kipp stated it could be worked into the Capital Budget. Mr. Russo inquired about the building being for sale and will need to revisit with new owners. Mrs. Coleman inquired about if new owner did not agree. A lien on the property was discussed.
6. Zoom update-anticipated ground breaking early spring
7. Street millings (HMT)-walk through October 13, 2015. To start next Monday.
8. Bookstore-real estate issue
9. Light Shields at Falconi Fields-light shields are ordered
Mrs. Coleman inquired about the status of Cypher and Cypher. Mr. Kipp stated he has sent emails. It has been seven months. Mr. Kipp to copy Council members on email.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. San Pietro Lot- Mr. Derrico stated it is Borough property. Mr. Severine suggested installing steps on back parking lot. Mr. Derrico stated needs to be decided if Council owes Mr. San Pietro money.
2. Bookstore- Mr. Severine inquired if the streets are the same width and suggested placing meters on the street. Mr. Treschow stated that Pendot uses in the inside curb to inside curb. Mr. Treschow to review the widths of several blocks on Pike Street. Mr. Bevec suggested re-visiting solar meters. Mr.

Severine stated it was looked at two years ago and too expensive. Mr. Bevec stated the cost may have come down in the last two years. Mr. Sharkady also mentioned trucks that unload daily on Pike Street.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

Hazardous Mitigation Ordinance (Washington County) 8-15

Motion by Mr. Bilsky to approve the Hazardous Mitigation Ordinance (Washington County) 8-15.

Seconded by Mr. Russo.

Roll Call:

Mr. McGarry-Yes

Mrs. Coleman-Yes

Mr. Russo-Yes

Mr. Bilsky-Yes

Mr. Severine-Yes

Mr. Sharkady-Yes

Mr. Bevec-Yes

7 Yes, 0 No. Motion Carries.

Mr. Kipp stated they are piggy backing on the county's for insurance purposes. Mr. Kipp stated it is one that is adopted every few years.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Held at 7:56

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Russo made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Coleman Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Submitted by: Michelle LoBello

