

June 1st, 2015

The regular meeting of the Cleona Borough Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order by President Jim O'Connor with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Members attending were Bill Bechtel, Ellen Burke, Patrick Haley, Elizabeth Lindsay and Don Hopple. Also attending were Attorney Colleen Gallo and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Sam Wengert, Mayor Larry Minnich

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for May 4th, 2015. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for May 4th, 2015. Motion carried 6-0.**

The Treasurer's report was presented for May 2015. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to approve the Treasurer's report for May 2015. Motion carried 6-0.**

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Robert Moyer Absent

Ellen shared email from Chief Moyer as follows:

- Annville/Cleona Fire responded to 96 calls in May
- Merger committee continues to move forward with sub-committees being formed, one of them being a Municipal sub-committee.
- Union Hose Fire Company and Cleona Fire Company along with the Annville/Cleona Hockey Club are hosting a 5K Run on June 6th @ 9:00 am at Memorial Lake, Indiantown Gap.
- The Fire Company handled several storm related incidents on May 31st. No major damage, just wires and small trees.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich Absent

Report submitted by Chief

Larry asked Kerry to report that all the officers have completed their training and are good for another year.

An executive session was requested to go over the Chief's retirement.

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CITIZEN COMMENTS

Dr. Edward Morasco of 102 East Penn Avenue expressed concerns for the seniors with the rising prices of Comcast. He was under the impression the Franchise Agreement provide exclusiveness to Comcast and limited alternatives to the residents. Colleen assured him that the Franchise Agreement does not provide exclusive rights to Comcast. Other companies could offer services to the Borough, but have not, because the initial cost to install the infrastructure is prohibited.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim O'Connor

Jim requested an executive session to discuss two items one involving the retirement of the Chief and to review/discuss the hiring process.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted and Reviewed by Kerry.

In behalf of the Annville-Cleona Pool, Jim O'Connor wanted to thank the office for a job well done on the pool memberships during the off season. Kerry acknowledged that since Melody does the bulk of the processing, he will make sure Melody receives the complement.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

The merger meeting was held on the third Thursday of May. After talking with the State, four groups (Governance, Finances, Operations, and Municipal) were formed to build the framework. The goal is to have a proposed framework built by September/October to move to the next step.

Dr. Edward Morasco asked what it would take to have the crosswalks at his intersection (E. Penn and Lincoln) painted and the movable signs "Yield to Pedestrians" placed there. His concern was for people who use the crosswalks for the Post Office, Church, School, and business. Since this is a State road, Kerry will check with the Borough's Penn Dot representative..

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Don Hoppie

Don continues to gather information on the heating system and the type of fuel to be used.

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Don is also gathering information on upgrading the lighting in the Borough Hall and Fire Company.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert Absent

No Report

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley

On May 26th, Ann Yost, Design Consultant, made the Borough's submission to Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) with the additional paperwork needed. Anticipate the DCNR approval to take 3 to 4 weeks.

Supplies and props will be moved from the old shed into the new building on Thursday, June 4. This will allow for the old shed to be removed to free up additional parking.

First movie night is June 19th. The movie being shown is "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day", starting at dusk. The Kiwanis Club donated \$150 towards the movie. A few Kiwanis Club members have volunteered to help run the concession stand.

Megan Hammer is back as the Playground Director. The summer program starts June 8 from 9:00 am to noon.

CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay

Two street sweepings have occurred with two more scheduled. Ask the residents to pay attention to the dates and move their cars to allow the street sweeper to be more effective.

With spring, code enforcement is in full swing with grass, garbage, and rubbish issues. There are a couple properties condemned, that Chris is monitoring and Colleen pursuing from the legal end.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel

Financially the Borough is doing very well.

Bill would like to see Capital Dollars allocated towards nice signs at either end of the Borough.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Report submitted by Colleen.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Patrick Haley, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to adopt Ordinance #309 authorizing execution of a Cable Franchise Agreement between the Cleona Borough and Comcast of Colorado/Florida/New Mexico/Pennsylvania/Washington, LLC, and to approve and execute the letter of understanding of the grant. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Beth Lindsay, second by Donald Hopple to accept the P.G. Martin Excavating Proposal of \$3,575 to excavate, prep, and pour concrete aprons around the storage building at the Park. Motion carried 6-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reviewing the Capital Projects a minimum of twice a year. No report.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Elizabeth Lindsay to pay the bills for May. Motion carried 6-0.

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 7:50 pm.

Respectively Submitted
Kerry L Rohland
Borough Manager