

September 14th, 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, Don Hopple, and Sam Wengert Also attending were Mayor Larry Minnich, Attorney Colleen Gallo and Borough Manager Kerry Rohland.

Absent: Elizabeth Lindsay

Borough Manager Minutes were presented for August 3rd, 2015. **A motion was made by Bill Bechtel, second by Pat Haley to approve the Borough Manager's minutes for August 3rd, 2015. Motion carried 6-0.**

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

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Robert Moyer

No Report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Mayor Larry Minnich

Report submitted by OIC Sergeant Matt Rager

Larry requested an Executive Session to discuss Personnel.

The two new computers for the cars were sent back again for updating. Jim O'Connor will contact the police department to offer some assistance.

Everything is going well with the officers.

Elizabeth had asked the Mayor why no one was at the school in the morning to cross students. Sergeant Matt Rager crossed only two to three students accompanied by their parents. Sergeant Rager talked with the principal, who did not see the need.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Nicholas Kowack of 25 North Garfield Street asked Council to consider installing a street light at the corner of Liberty and Mulberry Alley. Mr. Kowach reported some vandalism in this area. **A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Pat Haley to proceed with the installation of a street light at Mulberry and Liberty. Motion carried 6-0.**

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim O'Connor

Jim requested an executive session to discuss selection process of Chief.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT - Kerry Rohland

Report submitted and Reviewed by Kerry.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT – Ellen Burke

Ellen mentioned that the Fire Company is meeting quarterly.

The next meeting of the Merger/Consolidation committee is September 17th.

A meeting will be scheduled to negotiate the 2016 police salaries.

PROPERTY DEPARTMENT – Don Hoppie

Don is waiting to talk with an electrical contractor to review the options on lighting at the Borough Hall.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Sam Wengert

Due to delays on the water main installation and curb cuts, all paving projects will be rescheduled for 2016.

Sam has made initial contact with the snow removal contractors.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT – Patrick Haley

The Park and Recreation Board is meeting every Wednesday in preparation of the October 24th Fall Festival. Pat has contacted the Annville-Cleona School Clubs and LVC for volunteers.

Pillows of Love will have a sidewalk chalk art fundraiser at the Fall Festival. This will start at noon with winners announced at 5:00 pm.

The schedule for the Fall Festivals is as follows: Concessions open at 1:00 pm, games and activities from 4:00 to 8:00 pm, Costume Contest at 6:00 pm, and Haunted Walk from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Colleen has reviewed and approved the bidding requirements with some minor changes.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT – Elizabeth Lindsay absent

Mayor Minnich and Colleen are working with Ms. Long regarding the wall between her property and 6 West Chestnut.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Bill Bechtel

Bill reviewed the numbers stating the Police, Park, Highway, and General Government will be over budget, but because revenues are up the Borough should finish \$24,000 to the good.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Colleen Gallo

Report submitted by Colleen.

Colleen reminded Council to review the North Annville Contract for police services for any changes that might need to be renegotiated.

Joe Auman asked Council the status of the fire siren. Ellen responded that Doug Hartman was working on the siren. She will inquire at the next fire company meeting for an update.

NEW BUSINESS

- The 2016 MMO for the Borough of Cleona Police Pension is \$23,503. This includes a reduction based on the Officers contributing at 5%.
- The 2016 MMO for the Borough of Cleona Non-Uniform Pension is \$11,394.
- New street light for the corner of Liberty Alley and Mulberry Alley discussed under citizen comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Bill Bechtel to pay the bills for August. Motion carried 6-0.

Council recessed into executive session at 7:44 pm.

Council returned into general session at 8:34 pm.

A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Pat Haley to pursue a background check on Jeffrey Farneski, not to exceed \$3,000, and to give Kerry the authority to negotiate with the background check companies and execute what he thinks is best.

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A motion was made by Ellen Burke, second by Bill Bechtel to offer Jeffrey Farneski employment based on satisfactory background check and satisfactory negotiation of comprehensive salary and benefits. Motion carried 6-0.

Council adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Respectively Submitted

Kerry L Rohland

Borough Manager