

REGULAR SESSION ** ECONOMY BOROUGH COUNCIL ** APRIL 10, 2007

Council President Ronald R. Rock called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers of the Economy Municipal Building to conduct business of general purposes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Nick F. Gnarra, Jr., Larry Googins, Audrey Mutschler, Renee Raymer, Donald Sivy, Ronald R. Rock

ABSENT: Art Mutschler-Illness

ALSO PRESENT: Dale M. Fouse, Esq., Scott A. Shoup, P.E.,P.L.S., Randy S. Kunkle, Borough Manager

HEAR THE PUBLIC:

Barbara Baldwin, 116 Green Forest Drive, expressed her concerns about the manner of outdoor burning by residents and suggested Economy Volunteer Fire Department could provide public education. The current Outdoor Burning ordinance is referred to the Ordinance Committee for enforcement review.

MINUTES:

MOTION by Mr. Gnarra, seconded by Mr. Sivy – to approve the Minutes of the March 27, 2007, Regular Session of Council, as written. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mrs. Mutschler read the Mayor's Monthly Report for the Police Department for the month of March, 2007, as prepared by Chief Harrington, which will be on file for review in the borough secretary's office.

Mrs. Mutschler reported on an overnight arrest by the police at the Northern Lights Shopping Center. Mr. Rock thanked the police for their efforts in the apprehension.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. COG Spring Commodities: Mr. Kunkle advised the bid prices have gone up significantly (the specified plastic pipe has come down).

MOTION by Mr. Googins, seconded by Mr. Sivy – to accept the bid prices from the COG Spring Commodities Price List. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Cooney Hollow Tire Disposal: Mr. Kunkle reported residents along Cooney Hollow have offered to clean up the hollow Sunday, April 15th; estimated is about 100 tires.

MOTION by Mrs. Mutschler, seconded by Mr. Gnarra – to authorize Mr. Kunkle to spend up to \$500 to help the residents of Cooney Hollow dispose of tires, Sunday, April 15, 2007. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Striffler Revised Subdivision: Mr. Kunkle reported this is ready for approval.

MOTION by Mrs. Mutschler, seconded by Mr. Gnarra – to approve the Striffler Revised Subdivision with the conditions set forth by the Economy Borough Planning Commission and the Beaver County Planning commission. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS and OTHER BUSINESS:

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No Report

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

MOTION by Mr. Gnarra, seconded by Mr. Googins – that all bills listed and properly signed by the appropriate supervisor of that department be approved for payment. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Gnarra verified that Centax would have a representative at the borough building, Wednesday, April 11th (4 PM to 7 PM) Saturday, April 14th (9 AM to Noon), Monday, April 16th (8:30 AM to 4 PM).

ROAD DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Googins reported work being done by the Road Department; talked with Earl Fitzgerald concerning the condition of Roberts Lane; Earl has a game plan for Roberts Lane.

Mr. Shoup reported when the asphalt plant opens, the water line contractor will finish Shaffer Road.

ORDINANCE and RECREATION:

Mrs. Raymer reported a letter to Tom King, Beaver County Parks & Recreation, on Economy Borough letterhead regarding the Summer Tennis Camp with the dates needed, will be drafted by Mr. Kunkle. Mrs. Raymer will contact the resident who inquired as to what she can do to help get the tennis court reopened. Mr. Gnarra stated a prior estimate was \$40,000.00.

PUBLIC UTILITIES:

Mr. Googins reported the engineering study from Ambridge Water authority that was referenced in a recent AWA resolution establishing a special purpose component fee of \$3,795 over the tap fee for Economy Borough water lines has been obtained.

PROPERTY and BUILDING:

Mr. Sivy reported he still has questions regarding the municipal building air conditioner and will report back at the next meeting; DEP was on site last Wednesday and unhappy that the tarp blew off the salt pile; painting of the upstairs of the Community Building has been completed.

REPORTS:

SECRETARY:

No Report

ENGINEER:

Mr. Shoup reported filing a formal claim regarding the generator; Cutler Hammer will issue a purchase order to Conserve Electric to trouble shoot the generator problem, free of charge.

Mr. Shoup recommended awarding the salt storage building to the low bidder. This is tabled until the March 24, 2007, meeting, which is still within the 90 day bid period, in order to have the financing finalized.

Mr. Shoup reported a preliminary review of the Ambridge Water Authority resolution and engineering study calculations for the special purpose component; would like to meet with Mr. Fouse and the Public Utility Committee and bring back to Council a recommendation on how to proceed.

SOLICITOR:

Mr. Fouse reported the Perpetual Easement and Right of Way for the Veterans Memorial has been amended to include the language to address electrical power.

MOTION by Mrs. Mutschler, seconded by Mr. Googins – to amend the Perpetual Easement and Right of Way between Economy Borough and the Economy Borough Veterans Memorial Fund to include the language providing electrical service to the Veterans Memorial. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

***MOTION by Mrs. Mutschler, seconded by Mr. Gnarra – to adjourn the meeting. Time: 8:14 PM
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Blum
Borough Secretary
April 13, 2007

List of Bills attached to Minute Book