

# BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 18, 2010

## I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Council President Linda Turner opened the meeting at 7:00 pm, welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted there will be no hurtful or hateful speech allowed.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (American Flag)

Council President Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chaplain Ed Gresik led invocation.

## IV. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present at the meeting were Council members Linda Turner, Bogan Goughler, Howard Barger, Robert Resinger, Larry Baughman and Mayor Charles Minnick. Also present were Chief Carlson, Officer Deeter, Brian Spaid, Harold Bloomgren and Penny Peterson. Dick Phillips was not present.

## V. DISTRIBUTION OF AGENDA

## VI. COUNCIL CHANGES TO AGENDA

## VII. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Planning Commission: No report.

## VIII. STAFF REPORTS

A. Engineer

1. Harold Bloomgren reported the Borough should be received an invoice for their cost share for the interceptor rehabilitation work, from Franklin General Authority.
2. L.O. Bouquin Company should have signed paperwork for the railroad. The Borough will then be notified to schedule a preconstruction meeting.
3. A conference call with PennVest is scheduled for August 24, 2010 at 10:30 AM.
4. Mr. Bloomgren reported bids for the PennVest project should be opened on October 1, 2010 and awarded on October 20, 2010. Advertisements for bids should be August 25, 2010 and August 30, 2010.
5. PennDot has rescheduled to open bids on December 2, 2010 for the Martin Hill Road Bridge project.
6. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to authorize Northwest Engineering, Inc. to advertise bids for the PennVest sewer rehabilitation project August 25, 2010 (first advertisement), August 30, 2010 (second advertisement) and bid opening October 1, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Maintenance Foreman:

1. No report.

C. Police Chief:

1. Chief Carlson reported the Police Dept. has a new memorandum of understanding with the V.G.S.D. in regards to allowing the Police Dept. to access the camera system in the event of an emergency. Verizon has supplied the Department with two (2) laptop computers that have video capabilities.
2. Judy Downs and Karen Wenner from the Venango County Planning Commission made a presentation to Council in regards the "Complete the Streets" project. The project would place a walkway/bikeway along Rt. 8 between Washington Crossing Bridge and OMG plant, to make the road between Franklin and the Borough safer for pedestrians. Application would be due September 15, 2010 at 6:00 PM. First step is to do study of the area for the projected walkway. It would be funded through reimbursements, not grants.
3. Ms. Downs also reported on the recycling program for the Borough.

D. Administrator/Special Projects:

1. No report.

- E. Zoning Officer:
  - 1. No report.
- F. CDBG Administrator:
  - 1. Ms. Peterson reported on the public meeting for 2010 CDBG funds held before the Council meeting.
- G. Solicitor:
  - 1. Mr. Spaid requested that Northwest Engineering, Inc. give as much notice as possible for those residences that have to replace their sewer laterals.

**IX. COUNCIL REPORTS**

- 1. Bogan Goughler stated the streets that have been paved in Reno look good.

**X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (*limited to 3 minutes each*)**

- A. John McClelland voiced his support for the study to look at the walkway along Rt. 8.
- B. John Dumbelton supports the walkway as well.
- C. Mike Garbacz also supports the walkway. He also questioned if Front Street could also be included. Mr. Garbacz questioned where & how the new maintenance equipment will be stored in the winter.
- D. Tom Karns stated he needs fire flows for the fire hydrants in the 417 – area, for the Rocky Grove Volunteer Fire Department.

**XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Robert Resinger approve the minutes of the August 4, 2010 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**XII. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- A. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to approve the payment of bills/issuance of checks as presented by the Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

**XIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**XV. CORRESPONDENCE**

**XVI. BOARD OF APPEALS**

- A. Officer Deeter reported there is a Property Maintenance hearing for O'Neil's property scheduled for September 15, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

**XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council recessed at 7:51pm for an executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues which, if conducted in public, would violate a lawful privilege of information or confidentiality protected by the law. The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 pm.

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS (Con't,)**

- A. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to authorize the appropriate officials to execute and negotiate the final agreement in regards to Frank Heller's heart and lung negotiation. Motion carried unanimously.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Joseph Sporer, Borough Manager

Linda Turner, Council President