

**BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

August 4, 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**

A moment of silence was observed.

**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 and Penny Peterson. Harold Bloomgren and Dick Phillips were 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. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to approve payment of Invoice No. 1638, in the amount of \$125.21, to Northwest Engineering. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Robert Resinger to approve payment of Northwest Engineering, Inc. Invoice No. 1639 in the amount of \$20,925.00 and submit for reimbursement on Requisition No. 17, First United National Bank loan, in the amount of \$20,925.00. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to accept the PennVest funding offer with a loan amount of \$6,798,000.00 for 240 months, at an interest rate of 1% for years 1 – 5 and then 1.5% for years 6 to maturity. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Mr. Bloomgren recommended Council to authorize receipt of construction bids at the September 15 meeting.
5. Northwest Engineering continues to work on closing the Route 417 project.
6. Northwest Engineering will get a press release to the Borough by the following Monday.
7. Northwest Engineering will contact Bouquin in order to schedule at the siphon.

B. Maintenance Foreman:

1. Ms. Lehman reported that the paver/roller/trailer would be ready for pick – up on August 6, 2010.

C. Police Chief:

1. No report

D. Administrator/Special Projects:

1. Ms. Lehman informed Council that the Girls Softball Tournament will be held August 6 – 8, 2010 at the Front Street Playground. Ms. Danzer contacted Ms. Lehman to inform the Borough that the Playground Committee is aware of the tournament and approves.
2. Ms. Lehman brought forth a question/request from borough residents: Can the Borough offer the residents an electric bill program similar to what the City of Franklin is proposing? Brian Spaid stated the Borough can not offer it because the Borough does not fall under the Home – Rule Municipality category, the same as the City of Franklin does.

E. Zoning Officer:

1. Officer Deeter informed Council he is in contact with the owner(s) of the trailer that is sitting in an empty lot at the corner of Cedar St. and Rt. 417. The owner(s) is attempting to locate a towing company that would be able to move the trailer.
  2. Officer Deeter has followed up on three (3) properties that were mentioned by Mr. Resinger.
- F. CDBG Administrator:
1. Ms. Peterson reported the public meeting notice for 2010 CDBG funds was published in the Galena Signal. It was also posted at Giant Eagle, Borough Building, Country Fair, Reno Post Office and Wyattville Store.
- G. Solicitor:
1. No Report.
- IX. COUNCIL REPORTS**
1. Bogan Goughler stated the street paving that is being done in Reno is looking and coming along nicely.
- X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (*limited to 3 minutes each*)**
- A. John Kernic questioned the trailer at the corner of Cedar St. & Rt. 417. Linda Turner informed Mr. Kernic that Officer Deeter is in contact with owner(s) and working on it.
  - B. Bob Lewis voiced concerns over driver/pedestrian safety and crosswalks, specifically on Front Street, Thirteenth Street & Rt. 417 intersection and Front Street and Rt. 8 intersection. Mayor Minnick stated maintenance should be re-painting the crosswalks before the beginning of the new school year.
  - C. Mike Garbacz stated the crew is doing a nice job with the paving in Reno. Mr. Garbacz also questioned if there have been any updates on the CDBG funds? Ms. Peterson stated that there have been no updates.
- XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- A. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler approve the minutes of the July 21, 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 7:20pm 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 7:45 pm.
- XIV. NEW BUSINESS (Con't)**
- A. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Robert Resinger to proceed with the short – term disability plan offered by One America, quoted by Barr's Insurance. Motion carried unanimously.
  - B. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to authorize hiring a janitor through a temporary employment agency. Motion carried unanimously.
- XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**
- There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.