

**BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

May 18, 2011

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, Larry Baughman, Robert Resinger, Mayor Charles Minnick, Bogan Goughler and Howard Barger. Also present were Penny Peterson and Brian Spaid. Dick Phillips and Harold Bloomgren were not present. Officer Deeter was excused.

V. DISTRIBUTION OF AGENDA

VI. COUNCIL CHANGES TO AGENDA

VII. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. John McClelland reported the Planning Commission did meet last Wednesday to begin reviewing various SALDO plans.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

A. Engineer

1. Mr. Sporer reported the Borough received a commitment letter for \$1 Million offer from the H2O meeting. Mr. Sporer, Harold Bloomgren, Dick Phillips, and Paul Geer will meet May 19, 2011 to look at possible options for rehabbing the sewer lines and will have recommendations by the second meeting in June.

B. Maintenance Foreman:

1. Dick Phillips presented Council with a written report on the various jobs the Maintenance Department has been working on since the previous Council meeting.

C. Police Chief:

1. Chief Carlson presented Council with a written report. Chief also reported that Lt. Darin Baker received the Top Gun Award for the most DUI arrests in the county. The Borough Police Department has received recognition from the Stop Violence Against Women Coalition for having their reports completed in a timely manner.
2. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to approve up to 50 hours of over – time to be used for the week of the R.G.V.F.D.'s Fireman's Fair, June 21 – 25, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Administrator/Special Projects:

1. No report

E. Zoning Officer:

1. Mr. Sporer stated that Officer Deeter requested to have the Darrell Hankey Property Maintenance Hearing scheduled for July 2011.
2. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to schedule the Hankey Property Maintenance Hearing for July 6, 2011, at 6:00 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

F. CDBG Administrator:

1. Ms. Peterson stated the Rocky Grove Playground workshop was rescheduled for June 16, 2011, due to weather.

G. Solicitor:

1. No report

IX. COUNCIL REPORTS

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

- A. Diane and Ed Woods expressed concern of ATV's that are being ridden on a property located 2 houses away from them. They are trying to sell their house and have lost a sale due to the noise and dirt caused by the ATV's. They questioned what could be done, if anything? Ms. Turner stated the Borough may not be able to do anything because it is their own property. Chief stated they may be able to cite them for a public nuisance.
- B. John Eckel stated the R.G.V.F.D. was called out at the report of a gas leak on Second Avenue, on May 14, 2011 in the evening. The resident stated he called the Borough twice. Mr. Eckel suggested that in that event, residents should be advised to call 911 and National Fuel and the Fire Department does not handle gas leaks.

XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Howard Barger to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2011 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. CORRESPONDENCE

XVI. BOARD OF APPEALS

- A. Mr. Spaid reminded Council of the Heckathorne hearing on June 1, 2011, at 6:45 pm, in regards to vacating a portion of Russell Street.

XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council recessed at 7:20 pm 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 and any action to follow. The meeting was reconvened at 8:35 pm.

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS (Con't.)

- A. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Larry Baughman to authorize the proper Borough Officials to execute the right – of – Way Agreement for National Fuel Gas to move the line through the Reno Playground. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Joseph M. Sporer, Borough Manager

Linda Turner, Council President