

BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 5, 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, Mayor Charles Minnick, Robert Resinger, Larry Baughman and Bogan Goughler. Also present was Chief Carlson, Solicitor Brian Spaid and Dick Phillips. Harold Bloomgren and Penny Peterson were not present. Council member Howard Barger and Officer Deeter were excused.

V. DISTRIBUTION OF AGENDA

VI. COUNCIL CHANGES TO AGENDA

VII. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. John McClelland reported that the Planning Commission did not meet.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

A. Engineer

1. No Report.

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.

2. Mr. Phillips reported they are still waiting on materials for paving. The Maintenance Department has begun painting the building. They are beginning to get the equipment ready for winter. There is also some ditch work they would like to get done. Ms. Turner stated the building is looking very nice and they are doing a good job.

C. Police Chief:

1. Chief Carlson presented Council with a report. Chief also stated there is a Civil War Reenactment scheduled for July 3, 2012, at Miller – Sibley Park. There was a meeting held in regards to the "Complete the Streets" Study and there will be a booth set up at Applefest to get residents' input.

2. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Larry Baughman to approve Ptlmn. Joseph Highfield and Jarrod Deeter to attend Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Training class, free of charge training, plus wages & mileage, October 17 – 19, 2011, in North East, PA. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Larry Baughman to approve Lt. Baker and Lt. Ashbaugh to attend Stinger Tire Deflation Device Training through the DUI Task Force, free of charge training, plus wages & mileage, October 14, 2011, at Franklin P.D. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Administrator/Special Projects:

1. Mr. Sporer updated Council on the progress of the sewer lateral replacements. As of October 3, 2011, the Borough had received 13 applications and nine (9) laterals had been replaced. The bids will be opened on October 13, 2011 for the rebidding of the sewer project being funded through the PennVest loan and H2O funds. Ms. Turner asked if the Borough televises the laterals before the applications are received and what is the cost? Mr. Sporer stated there is a \$20 permit fee and if the residents wish to have the Borough televise, then it is an additional \$100 fee. But, the application must be completed first. Mayor Minnick asked if the laterals had to be plastic in order to pass? Mr. Phillips stated they do,

according to the ordinance. Mr. Sporer also stated the project has been well and there have not been any major issues.

2. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded Bogan Goughler to adopt Resolution No. 4 of 2011, which authorizes the Council President or Vice President to sign documents regarding the DBE paperwork being submitted to DEP. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Zoning Officer:
 1. No report.
- F. CDBG Administrator:
 1. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to adopt Resolution No. 3 of 2011, Resolution of Approval FFY 2011 Community Development Block Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Solicitor:
 1. Mr. Spaid stated he has not heard anything back from the DCED in regards to the Floodplain Ordinance. Mr. Spaid also reported that Mr. Rex Heckathorn has acquired the two (2) properties which belonged to the Crawfords. Pending the acquisition of a right – of – way for the sewer line that runs through those properties, the vacation of that section of Russell Street can begin.

IX. COUNCIL REPORT

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

- A. John McClelland stated the building looks really nice and he wanted to thank those involved in getting it done.
- B. Mike Garbacz questioned if the garage door on the maintenance garage could be painted? Dick Phillips said he has gone out for bids on it.

XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by Bogan Goughler to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2011 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- A. Motion by Bogan Goughler, being duly seconded by Larry Baughman 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

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 7:55 pm.

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm, by Council Vice President Larry Baughman.

Joseph M. Sporer, Borough Manager

Linda Turner, Council President