

**BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

October 16, 2013

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Council President Bogan Goughler 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 Goughler 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 Bogan Goughler, Robert Resinger, Larry Baughman, Howard Barger, John McClelland and Mayor Charles Minnick. Also present was Chief Carlson, Solicitor Brian Spaid and Bill Walker. Dick Phillips and Barbara Manski were not present.

V. DISTRIBUTION OF AGENDA

VI. COUNCIL CHANGES TO AGENDA

VII. COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. 1. No report.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

A. Maintenance Foreman:

1. No report.

B. Police Chief:

1. Chief Carlson reported on the intersection study completed at the intersection of Rt. 8 and Front Street. The Borough now has ownership of the intersection. Chief also stated the new weight restriction for the bridge in Wyattville will be 33 ton; down from 40 ton. Chief also said there will be a Forensic Photo Workshop to be held at the Borough Building, on October 18, 2013 through the D.A.'s office. Chief said he has been in contact with Mr. Spaid and Mr. Walker in regards to the Darrell Hankey fire damaged property in Reno.

C. Administrator/Special Projects:

1. Mr. Sporer reminded that trick – or – treat hours are set for Thursday, October 31, 2013, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Mr. Sporer also presented Council with a preliminary budget. He stated he does not anticipate a tax increase or any rate increases in sewer or water services; he will review the rates at the end of next year and see the effect of Franklin's increase in rates. Mr. Sporer said there will be an increase in health insurance premiums, which will be offset due to the fact the Borough is currently running under budget.
2. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by John McClelland to approve Ordinance No. 276 of 2013, the debt ordinance for the purchase of a 2014 Peterbilt Dump Truck in the amount of \$169,981.00. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Zoning Officer:

1. Motion by Howard Barger, being duly seconded by John McClelland to approve the requested two (2) waivers from the Borough of Sugar creek Stormwater Management Ordinance for the project known as "Anchor Construction Order Fulfillment Center" (Fastenal), located at 631 Allegheny Blvd., as recommended by the Venango County Regional Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Mr. Walker stated there will be a Zoning Hearing Board hearing on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, at 6:00 PM. The hearing is for the property located at 22 Front Street and submitted by IAM & AW Local Lodge 1842. The proposed use for the building is for a union hall, offices and storage.

E. CDBG Administrator:

1. No report.

- F. Solicitor:
 - 1. No report.

IX. COUNCIL REPORT

- A. Mr. Goughler stated Council met with the Rocky Grove and Reno Volunteer Fire Departments prior to the Council meeting.

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

- A. Bob Lewis said he contacted Valley Grove School District in regards to establishing additional crosswalks and crosswalk safety.
- B. Mike Garbacz wanted to thank Council for meeting with the fire departments. Mr. Garbacz stated the Hankey property in Reno is a hazard.

XI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Motion by Larry Baughman, being duly seconded by Howard Barger to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2013 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- A. Motion by John McClelland, being duly seconded by Howard Barger 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 8:03 pm.

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

- A. Motion by Robert Resinger, being duly seconded by John McClelland to approve the settlement agreement with the police department as discussed in executive session. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Mr. Baughman stated he will need to be excused from the November 6, 2013 and December 4, 2013 Council meetings.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Joseph M. Sporer, Borough Manager

Bogan Goughler, Council President