

May 28, 2015
REGULAR MEETING

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council Vice - President, Mark Greenawalt, at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

Present: Council members Greenawalt, Gabrielli, Bradshaw, and Kautz., Cindee Virostek, Cheryl Swank, and Karen Kenzevich were absent. Mayor Held was present. Solicitor Tim Miller was absent.

Public Comments: Carl Meyerhuber discussed a situation with his neighbor on 11th Street. He asks that council “turn up the heat” on his storage of vehicles and the noise and noxious exhaust odors coming from the property next to his.

Tom Toland speaking on behalf of the Lions Club proposed placing a drinking fountain in Owens Grove on a bricked area, where the sale of the memorial bricks would pay for the fountain. Council will review and take this under consideration.

Engineering Report: The attached engineering report was reviewed by Rich Craft. In addition, Rich discussed applications for 2015 for both the Greenways and Multimodel grants. Resolutions will have to be approved at the June meeting to include with the applications.

A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by John Kautz, to approve payment of Olsen invoices #13597 in the amount of \$49.00 from the sewer fund. Invoices 13595, 13596, 13598, 13599, and 13584 in the total amount of \$2133.23 from the general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to send a letter to PennDOT requesting that the speed limit on North 11th Street be reduced. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the minutes from 4/23/15. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Held proposed assigning a specific number of hours per week devoted to code enforcement. Sgt. Kier will ask the other officers by seniority if they would want to get the extra hours at their regular rate of pay. The extra funds will come from the code enforcement budget. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to implement 5 hours per week devoted to code enforcement, performed by the officer that accepts the hours by seniority. Motion passed unanimously.

Sgt. Kier showed council a proposal for the purchase of a camera system at the estimated cost of \$4550.00. Sgt. Kier had previously solicited donations from the businesses in town and received \$950.00. A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by John Kautz, to approve the purchase and accept the donations toward the camera system. Motion passed unanimously.

The new tasers have arrived.

Interviews have been conducted to hire another part time officer for the department. Mayor Held, Diane Bradshaw, and Jarred Kier recommend the hiring of Curt Soprano. A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by John Kautz, to hire probationary, part-time employee Curt Soprano at \$12.00 per hour. Motion passed unanimously.

Sgt. Kier participated in the Armstrong County Inter-agency Agreement to help boost efforts to aid child victims in Armstrong County on May 23, 2015.

Solicitor's Report: Tim Miller was absent.

A motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to approve payment of Inv. 5977, 5978, 5979, 6150, and 6151 in the amount of \$1202.50 to DeBernardo, Antoniano, McCabe, & Davis from the general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Borough Manager's report: The advertisements have been completed for the changes to the zoning ordinance. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by John Kautz, to adopt the changes to the zoning ordinance as proposed at the April council meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning Committee Report

Cheryl Swank – Chairman

Public Works & Streets Committee Report:

Mark Greenawalt – Chairman

Terry Czitterburg gave his resignation to Eric Andring and the Borough Manager. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to accept the resignation of Terry Czitterburg, effectively immediately. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report:

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

PennDOT is okay with the sign locations. They discussed using epoxy (traffic control would have to be purchased);

After discussing the bids for signage at the pedestrian sidewalks, a motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to buy the signs from Walsh, and have them delivered at the quoted amount of \$2050.80. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to order and purchase 5 thermo plastic crosswalks and 3 sets of speed lines at a cost of \$3,609 from Williams & Wilham. Motion passed unanimously.

Property Committee Report

Denny Gabrielli – Chairman

Discussed the residents of Adelphoi house to clean and/or paint the curbs. This will be discussed with Eric.

Finance Committee Report

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD May 2015):

Garbage Fund – \$8772.80
General Fund (includes payroll) - \$46601.45
Liquid Fuels Fund - \$3050.07
Sewer Fund – \$8255.59
Sewer Separation Fund – \$2406.18
Parking Fund – \$369.72

Total – \$69455.81

A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by John Kautz, to approve payment of all bills, including payroll, for month to date May 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by John Kautz, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Cynthia Virostek
President

Cynthia McDermott
Borough Manager