April 23, 2015 REGULAR MEETING

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a brief invocation, Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council President, Cynthia Virostek, at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

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

Public Comments: A number of N. 4th Street residents attended to discuss a dog barking situation. Sgt. Kier advised them on what actions to take to support filing a citation, and being willing to testify at a hearing. Borough solicitor, Tim Miller, said he would take a look at strengthening our existing ordinance(s) on this subject.

Frank Callipare asked council to consider as a backup location, using the borough property down by the river to shoot fireworks on the 4th of July on behalf of the Salute to the Armed Forces. After discussion, a motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to approve the fireworks being shot from the old B & W property as a backup location, with certain stipulations of council, if they are denied a permit to shoot in Oklahoma Borough. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report: The attached engineering report was reviewed by Rich Craft. Diane Bradshaw will coordinate a meeting with PennDOT to go over the project, where the signage will go, etc. She is also working on getting pricing for the signs

A motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to approve payment of Olsen invoices #13514, 13515, 13516, and #13517 in the total amount of \$981.84 from the general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to approve the minutes from 3/26/15. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor was absent. Sgt. Kier proposed to council ordering two new tasers for the police department. Our current ones are obsolete. There are discounted prices available in the form of some grant funds. A motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve Sgt. Kier applying for the purchase of two (2) tasers, and including some grant monies. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report: Tim Miller discussed finalizing the vacancy ordinance. Council went into an executive session to discuss a potential litigation issue. Tim will find out what is needed to do a KOZ extension for the riverfront property. Meetings will be set up soon for negotiations with the Teamsters and the USW.

Borough Manager's report: A written request for use of the gazebo in Owens Grove was made. After consideration, a motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to allow the use of the gazebo for a May wedding. Motion passed unanimously.

A training session on rental inspection programs was suggested for Karen Kenzevich, and a grant writing seminar was suggested for Cheryl Swank at a total cost of \$250.00 through PSAB. A motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by John Kautz, to permit and pay for both seminars. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. John Kautz submitted his resignation from FLAG. A Hei-way news article about Eric Andring was distributed.

President Virostek asked committee chairmen for updates, current and long range plans.

Planning Committee Report

Cheryl Swank – Chairman

The proposed vacancy ordinance was advertised as directed by council last month. A motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to pass ordinance #267-15 as proposed. Motion passed unanimously.

Setback changes in the current zoning ordinance were discussed. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Mark Greenawalt, to advertise the amendments to the zoning ordinance that changes the setbacks. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Works & Streets Committee Report:

Mark Greenawalt – Chairman

Discussed plans for the property cleanup down by the garage & the waterfront property.

Siding on the garage and fixing the fountain are the current priority. We are accepting applications for PT borough worker until 4/17/15. Council agreed last month that the Public Works committee could interview and select the preferred candidates for the PT borough worker to save time until the next council meeting.

Denny and Mark will get bids for fixing the temporary wall on Woodward Avenue and 10th Street. Adelphoi kids working was discussed. They will be utilized whenever possible.

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report:

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

Line painting, signage, and pedestrian crosswalk signs and arrows – all items that Diane is working on getting prices for. The Armstrong County grant funds will pay for most of the items.

Property Committee Report

Denny Gabrielli – Chairman

Denny will be going to the Hard to Recycle day at the Pittsburgh Mills. He will take some of the borough's items. The borough will reimburse him mileage.

Finance Committee Report

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD April 2015):
Garbage Fund – \$8065.08
General Fund (includes payroll) - \$30177.61
Liquid Fuels Fund - \$3050.07
Sewer Fund – \$6383.85
Sewer Separation Fund – \$2406.18
Parking Fund – \$455.05

Total - \$50537.84

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

A motion was made by Mark Greenawalt, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

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