



**CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH MINUTES
FEBRUARY 2, 2010**

The public meeting of the Borough Council of Connoquenessing was called to order at 7:30 pm at the Connoquenessing Borough Building.

Council members present were Lloyd Leslie, Ryan Graham, Francis Smith, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Dave Bocci and Vickie Forbes.

Sewage Plant

Update: Dave Bocci reported on a number of frozen pipes and a few that had broken at the Plant. He also briefly addressed some maintenance work which needed to be completed in the spring or summer. Bocci reported on calls from PA One Call.

Graham motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the minutes from the January 4, 2010, meeting. Motion passed.

Leslie questioned items on the Engineering Profession Fees account in the Sewage Fund. The Secretary/Treasurer indicated the charges pertained to the work done on the 537 Plan and on the NPDES permit renewal. Leslie questioned the expenses in the Capital Improvement Fund. The Secretary/Treasurer indicated that the expenses were monies borrowed by the Sewage Fund in prior years that Council elected not to pay back to the Capital Improvement Fund.

Graham motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the December 2009 Treasurer’s Report as submitted. Motion passed.

Graham motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Secretary/Treasurer updated Council on the status of the Plan. Fema had not finalized their review, but once that has occurred, a summary of the changes will be provided for review before adoption of the Plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire: No Report

Law and Order: No Report

Streets: The Borough has received a letter from Butler County stating that the funds awarded to the Borough for the 2009 Community Development Block Grant are available. Smith motioned, Graham seconded to begin the project at Main Street and Harmony Street and proceed south on the west side of Main Street. Motion passed.

Council discussed snow not being removed from sidewalks.

Council also discussed telephone poles being replaced without the old poles being removed.



Minutes

Zoning/Planning: Council discussed the vacancy on the Zoning Hearing and the need to continue looking for a candidate.

Borough Building: No Report

Park: Council discussed renovation projects at the Park including, creating a handicapped parking area at the bathroom facility, establishing a handicapped walkway to the restroom facilities and to the water fountain, resurfacing of the basketball court, and replacing fall surfacing in the playground area. Smith motioned, Graham seconded to adopt Resolution 2010-03 Butler County Parks Renovation Program Community Grant Program Resolution 2010-03. Motion passed.

Sewage Financial: The Secretary/Treasurer informed Council that a signed Shut-Off Agreement had been received from PAW in November, 2009, and a Certificate of Filing from the Pa Public Utility Commission had been received in December, 2009. The procedure to shut off water to sewage customers was reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council: Smith motioned, Graham seconded to approve and sign the Bronder Technical Services Agreement for maintenance of the school blinker. Motion passed.

Council discussed whether to carry an additional bond package on the Tax Collector in addition to the four-year bond through Butler County. Smith motioned, Graham seconded not to carry the additional bond on the tax collector. Motion passed.

The report submitted by Katie Douthett for activity for the Community Day Account was reviewed.

Secretary: Recycle/Cleanup Day will be May 8, 2010 at the Forward Township location.

PSAB provided a Legislative Contact Sheet to all officials and is requesting that Borough Officials complete the Contact Sheet and return it to them.

Council discussed the Armstrong Cable notice concerning rates increasing.

Graham made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Smith seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie L. Forbes
Borough Secretary/Treasurer