



CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH MINUTES
APRIL 5, 2011

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

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

Also present were Dave Bocci, Della Marshall, Katie Douthett, Laura Kellar, Karl Kellar, and Vickie Forbes.

Laura and Karl Kellar approached Council with questions concerning a property they are considering to purchase which is zoned commercial. Questions include information pertaining to setbacks, accessory buildings, building permits, signs and various other issues.

Della Marshall questioned when the yard work around the new sidewalk would be completed. Smith indicated barriers and markers had been placed in spots indicating work might soon begin. Weather has been an issue. Money has been held back by the County until work is completed. Mrs. Marshall expressed a concern about individuals roller blading on the sidewalk.

Sewage Plant Update

Dave Bocci reported that the electric panel for the pump station had been installed and was a much needed improvement.

Bocci stated that an issue existed with a sewer connection. While attempting to find the manhole for the lot located on the corner of Main and Constitution, he discovered that the lines had not been installed as originally designed or as indicated on the "as build" drawings. The only place to connect was in an area that was not included in an already obtained easement. After discussion, Council indicated a contact should be made with the neighbor requesting an easement to the lamppole (8" line).

Bocci indicated that he noticed that on the Church property it appeared as though the final grading had been completed, particularly in the area of where the sewage line would run from the Church to the Borough sewage line. Bocci indicated that he had contacted them at a previous time about being notified of the inspection of the connection; and at that time, an individual from the Church had requested a modification of the line diameter. Bocci stated that they would need to contact the Borough Engineer for approval of any changes.

Graham motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the minutes from the March 1, 2011, meeting. Motion passed.

Graham motioned, Kaufman seconded, to accept the February, 2011, Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Stormwater Management Ordinance

Council reviewed the deadline required to pass the Stormwater Management Ordinance, the optional sections of the ordinance, and the need to amend the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.



Smith motioned, Kaufman seconded to authorize advertising the Stormwater Ordinance prior to the May meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire: No Report

Law and Order: No Report

Streets: Council agreed to schedule street sweeping.

Smith requested a contact be made with PennDot concerning the poor condition of the manhole gratings located on Main Street.

Zoning/Planning: Council discussed the need to fill vacancies on the Zoning Hearing Board.

Borough Building: No Report

Park: Jim Switzer of the Department of Community Corrections had been contacted and indicated that his crews would be able to scrape and paint and clear brush. The Park Committee will arrange items to be done, organize needed supplies, and then a date will be schedule with Mr. Switzer.

Sewage Financial: No Report

NEW BUSINESS:

Recycle/Cleanup Date

Kaufman volunteered to pick up and drop off the work release help for the recycle/cleanup event at the Forward Township location on May 7, 2011.

Butler County Boroughs Association Dinner Meeting

This event will be held on May 19, 2011 at the Kaufman House. All interested should contact the office before the May 3, 2011 meeting.

Emergency Management Contacts

Leslie indicated that in addition to the Emergency Management Coordinator, the Mayor, Council President and a contact from the Fire Department should be listed as contacts on the form.

Liquid Fuels Fund Audit

On March 24, 2011, an on-site monitoring visit was performed by Mr. Daniel S. Bowers, Bureau of Municipal Services Financial Consultant. An audit was performed, and a closing review was conducted with no areas of concern noted.

Graham motioned, Smith seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie L. Forbes
Borough Secretary/Treasurer