



## **CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH**

**June 2, 2015**

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

Those present were Council members Lloyd Leslie, Pete Kaufman, Mitch Leech, Francis Smith, Steve Miller, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Dave Bocci, Linda and Schoettker, Cindy Princeler, Joan Whelan, Don Whelan, Chris Whelan, Allison Whelan, Mike Zippler, Rob Campbell, Grant McCollough, Tom Hilliard, Joyce Hays, and Vickie Forbes.

Cindy Princeler spoke on the action to form a committee to create an ordinance dealing with pipelines in the Borough. Leslie indicated that a committee had not been formed but several members were gathering information regarding pipeline installations.

Linda Schoettker commented on issues related to regulating installation of pipelines.

Don Whelan questioned what was being done about the driveway and building. He commented on zoning issues regarding the building.

Joan Whelan and Allison Whelan expressed their discontent about the driveway and traffic.

Joyce Hays stated that at 109 Constitution Avenue, the curb is worn down allowing water to run from the road onto the sidewalk and onto the neighboring properties.

### **Sewage Plant Update**

Dave Bocci commented on the new NPDES permit issued by the DEP effective until May 31, 2020. He stated that another dumpster had been filled and an inspection on a sewer tap for a quad in Leslie Farms had been completed. Leslie stated that the DEP had contacted him about the nitrate sample that was left out of the DEP report but was to be included in sampling. Bocci stated that the additional costs for testing were an additional expense to him.

### **Bids for Street Repairs**

The scope of the street work bid was discussed by Council. Bids received were Voelker Paving-\$37,072.40; Russell Standard-\$35,730; Wiest Asphalt-\$32,455.80. Miller motioned, Smith seconded to approve Wiest Asphalt as the successful lower bidder. Motion passed.

Francis Smith stated that an orange cone should be placed at the end of Marshall's driveway until the hole could be filled with hot patch. Discussion continued on repairs to South Main for 2016.

Leech motioned, Kaufman seconded, to approve the meeting minutes of May 5, 2015. Motion passed.

Leech motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the submitted April 2015 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Miller motioned, Smith seconded, to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Street Sweeping – Tuesday, June 9, 2015

No Parking signs will be posted by Kaufman, Miller and Smith. Kaufman will meet Municipal Contracting at 8am Tuesday, June 9.

#### Recycle/Cleanup Day

Council reviewed the summary of revenue and expenses for the event.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Resolution No. 2015-01 Amended – Road Permits

Council discussed adding as #22 to the Fee Schedule a category identified as Road Permits which would include



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fees identified for driveways, road openings and traffic regulatory signs. Leech motioned, Miller seconded to adopt Resolution No 2015-01 Amended, Fee Schedule. Motion passed.

Columbia Midstream Group, LLC – Road Crossings and Temporary Road Permits

Tom Thompson, Gannett Fleming, reviewed requests, applied fees, and issued applications for permits for road crossings and temporary driveways. Council requested information on type of pipe to be used in the Borough.

Solicitation

Discussion on solicitation in the Borough.

PA American Water – Borough Sewage System

Correspondence from PA American regarding interest in purchasing sewage system was reviewed. Smith motioned, Miller seconded to invite them to a meeting to discuss in more detail. Motion passed.

Miller presented some preliminary suggestions for consideration in developing a pipeline ordinance.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Fire:** The Fire Department is currently conducting several fund raising activities.
- Law and Order:** Mayor Rader stated that he had witnessed a Vogel truck using Constitution Avenue.
- Streets:** Smith reported on the Route 68 Operations and Safety Audit meetings. Kaufman requested the high grass on the bank at Constitution and Rt. 68 be cut for safety concerns.

Smith motioned, Leech seconded to request information from Solicitor on pipeline ordinance being developed by Butler Township. Motion passed.

**Zoning/Planning:** Kaufman motioned, Miller seconded to appoint Alan Peffer for another three-year term on the Zoning Hearing Board. Motion passed.

**Borough Building:** Leslie requested Mr. Schultheis be contacted to seal the wood on the ramp entering the Borough building.

**Park:** Smith reviewed recent work done in the Park. Stated that he had an arborist look at an oak tree located beside one of the Park shelters. The arborist stated the tree was a safety issue and should be taken down. He quoted \$1000 to remove the tree and to fix the flag pole.

A contact was made with Gary Pinkerton, Butler County Parks and Recreation, about the fall safe material to be used under the playground equipment. Pinkerton stated that he would come to the Park, determine amount of material needed, and obtain a quote for that material for the Borough. Smith will contact Pinkerton for further discussion.

**Sewage Financial:** No Report

**Code Enforcement:** No Report

**Miscellaneous** Next meeting – June 30, 2015

Miller motioned, Kaufman seconded at 9:45 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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