



## **CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH MINUTES SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

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, Francis Smith, Donald Clingensmith, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Dave Bocci, Della Marshall, and Vickie Forbes.

### **Sewage Plant Update**

Dave Bocci reported to Council that the new blower motor was in operation. The Plant and Pump Station were both operating without issue.

Clingensmith requested that the minutes be amended to include EIT tax in reference to the newly appointed Butler County Tax Collector in 2012. Clingensmith motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the amended minutes from the August 3, 2010, meeting. Motion passed.

Clingensmith questioned the charges from Waste Management for the Park. The Secretary/Treasurer explained that garbage pickup is changed from monthly pickup to weekly pickup during the summer months. Because of the way the billing is done, when the transition occurs, there is usually a double billing for the weekly pickup. Any charges above the regular monthly charge each month is distributed to the Park.

Smith questioned if the printing charges for the bid packages would be offset by the charge to the contractors for the bid packages. The Secretary/Treasurer explained that the contractors were not charged for bid packages and that Council might want to add that charge to the 2011 Fee Schedule.

Smith motioned, Kaufman seconded, to accept the July, 2010, Treasurer's Report as submitted. Motion passed.

Leslie questioned the web site charge from PA State Association of Boroughs.

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

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Clingensmith questioned the high grass and weeds on the subdivision property located at 292 South Main Street. Clingensmith motioned, Kaufman seconded to send a second letter with a copy of the ordinance to Manor Development requiring the necessary work be done to remove the high grass and weeds and giving 15 days to do so. Motion passed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Fire:** No Report

**Law and Order:** No Report

**Streets:** Smith stated that he had received a complaint about water drainage on Constitution. Council discussed and requested a contact be made with Municipal Contracting Services to see if they could clean the catch basins on Main Street and Constitution Avenue.

Smith expressed concern for speeding Vogel trucks through town. Clingensmith motioned, Smith seconded to write a letter to Vogel requesting



a contact be made with all drivers to address the speeding problem and ask for a response as to the action taken. Motion passed.

Clingensmith commented on the problem of all speeding issues through town. Smith motioned, Clingensmith seconded to send a letter to the Pennsylvania State Police expressing Council's concern for safety related to speeding motorists in the Borough and request a reply as to what they could do to assist with this matter. Motion passed.

The Secretary/Treasurer stated that the Sidewalk Project bid had come in under the grant amount. Tom Thompson indicated that once the Contractor got on site, extensions could be reviewed and submitted to the County for approval. Smith motioned, Kaufman seconded to use the balance of the grant money to continue the sidewalk project in a southerly direction on Main Street. Motion passed.

**Zoning/Planning:** No Report

**Borough Building:** Voelker Paving agreed to extend the current Snow Removal Contract to cover the 2010-2011 winter season, holding the original contract rates.

Council discussed Resolution 2010-05 Hazard Mitigation and decided not to adopt until a copy of the Plan was obtained and reviewed.

Council discussed the recently matured CD and the current reinvestment rate and determined not to reinvest at this time. Rates will be reviewed at the next meeting. The Secretary/Treasurer will inquire with Plgit about Treasury Bonds.

**Park:** The County awarded the bid to Voelker Paving for the basketball court replacement and the installation of the handicapped parking spot located beside the restroom.

**Sewage Financial:** Council was informed that one of the customers who agreed to a payment plan had defaulted. An unsuccessful attempt was made to turn off the water to this customer. Council elected to wait until the October meeting to decide how to continue with this issue.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Council:** No issues.

**Secr/Treasurer:** Kaufman indicated that Beth Knauer would be in charge of the Halloween Parade event this year to be held on October 31, 2010.

Council expressed no interest in membership in the PSAB Cable-Telecom Alliance of Municipalities and the Government Academy's Leadership Circle.

Clingensmith stated that Senator Jane Orié would again be holding her annual Senior Expo on September 24, 2010, from 9 am to 1 pm at the airport.

Clingensmith motioned, Kaufman seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie L. Forbes  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer