



**CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2012**

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, Francis Smith, and Mitch Leech.

Also present were Dave Bocci and Vickie Forbes.

Sewage Plant Update

Dave Bocci reviewed the Chapter 94 Report to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection for the year of 2011 and updated Council on the changes and additions.

Smith motioned, Leech seconded, to accept the minutes from the January 3, 2012, meeting. Motion passed.

Leech motioned, Smith seconded, to accept the submitted December 2011, Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Code Enforcement Report

No report

Auditor Appointment-Resolution 2012-02

Leech motioned, Smith seconded to adopt Resolution 2012-02 appointing Leonard Schoettker, Cindy Princeler, and Kelly Noronha as Auditors for the Borough. Motion passed.

Smith motioned, Leech seconded to set the pay rate for the Auditors at \$10/hour. Motion passed.

Building Permit-Oertel's Garage

It was reported that Mr. Oertel had not yet applied for a building permit for the construction work done on the property. Council discussed set backs on residential properties.

Real Estate Tax-Road Repairs

Council reviewed and discussed information provided by Attorney Lope regarding options for raising revenue to fund road improvements in the Borough and tabled further discussion on the issue until a future date.

Fire Hydrants

The Secretary/Treasurer stated that Jake Gentile, Operations Superintendent of Pa American Water in charge of fire hydrants in this area had contacted the office. He indicated that their standard procedure regarding fire hydrant maintenance was to notify the Fire Department when maintenance was performed. A copy of the letter which had been sent to the Fire Department in November 2011 was reviewed. Jake indicated that he would copy the Borough on future correspondence. Council's discussion included the current rate increase on fire hydrants.



Sewage Billing

Council studied current proposals submitted for replacing Pennsylvania American Water Company as the sewage billing agent and agreed to examine the proposals in detail during the month and discuss further at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

PSAB 2012 Membership Listing

Smith motioned, Leech seconded to use the short option for publishing the Borough's information in the *Who's Who* publication. Motion passed.

Butler County Park and Recreation Renovation Grant – Resolution 2012-03

Several ideas were discussed for the application for park renovation grant monies from Butler County. Information from Tom Thompson was reviewed regarding requirements to make a walking trail ADA compliant. Smith and Leech agreed to meet to identify the area most suitable for a walking trail and to estimate costs for the trail as well as for fall surfacing material requirements for under the playground equipment. Leech motioned, Smith seconded to approve Resolution 2012-03. Motion passed.

Connoquenessing Volunteer Fire Company Officer Installation/Appreciation Dinner

The invitation was distributed to Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Fire:** No Report
- Law and Order:** No Report
- Streets:** No Report
- Zoning/Planning:** No Report
- Borough Building:** No Report
- Park:** No Report
- Sewage Financial:** No Report

Smith motioned, Leech seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie L. Forbes
Borough Secretary/Treasurer