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CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH

January 8, 2013

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, Ronald Kaufman, Mitch Leech, and Francis Smith.

Also present were Dave Bocci, Ken Schultheis, and Vickie Forbes.

Sewage Plant Update

Dave Bocci reported that the installation of the new digital flow meter circuit had been completed which was one of the action items identified on a report from the PUC.

Discussion continued from the December meeting concerning renewing the Maintenance and Operation Agreement for a five-year period based on the calendar year rather than renewing in October. Smith motioned, Leech seconded to renew the contract beginning 1/1/2013 and ending 12/31/17 with Bocci's current salary being \$3800 per month increasing by \$100/month with every 10 houses added to the system. Motion passed.

Park Caretaker-Ken Schultheis

Schultheis was asked by Council about ideas he might have for improving his ability to maintain the Park. Leslie suggested options such as the purchase of equipment and fuel by the Borough. Schultheis indicated that he would think about options and report back.

Appointments

Leech motioned, Kaufman seconded to approve appointments listed on Attachment A. Motion passed.

Kaufman motioned, Smith seconded to approve Committees as per Attachment A. Motion passed.

Smith motioned, Leech seconded, to accept as presented the December 4, 2012, meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Leech motioned, Kaufman seconded, to accept the submitted November 2012, Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2013-01, Fee Schedule

Council discussed the proposed fee schedule for 2013 and opted to delete the "Entire Park" detail included in #6, Connoquenessing Borough Community Park Fees and also to delete #8 Recycling Containers in its entirety. Leech suggested revising Bid Packages to state that the fee for the bid packages will be determined on a project by project basis. Council agreed to include the delinquent account fees as presented. Smith motioned, Leech seconded to adopt Resolution 2013-01 as revised. Motion passed.

2013 Butler County Council of Government Dues

Council opted not to join the COG at this time.



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Humane Society Municipal Agreement

Council opted not to join at this time.

Butler County Election Bureau-Ballot Approval Certification

The Ballot Approval Certification list was reviewed by Council. Discussion followed on deadlines for petitions for the May 21, 2013, primary election.

Butler County – Emergency Management

Correspondence regarding 2013 training from Steve Bicehouse of the Department of Emergency Services of Butler County was reviewed by Council.

Butler County Park Renovation Program

After discussion, Council elected to apply for this year’s grant money for the Connoquenessing Borough Trails project. Leech stated that he would update the drawings for the trail project.

Liquid Fuels Audit Report

Council discussed the findings of the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund audit for the years of 2010 and 2011 and agreed to wait for the Department of Transportation’s decision before taking any action.

Special Event Permit Process

Council reviewed the information received from PSAB.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire: No Report

Law and Order: No Report

Streets: Council discussed the problems and complaints with snow removal. The contract was reviewed. Issues discussed included curb to curb removal, snow removal at intersections, and amount of salt or antiskid materials being used. Leslie will contact Voelker Paving to discuss.

Zoning/Planning: No Report

Borough Building: Smith reported on the completed roof job on the Borough building.

Park: No Report

Sewage Financial: No Report

Code Enforcement: No Report

Kaufman motioned, Smith seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie L. Forbes
Borough Secretary/Treasurer