



CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING **September 5, 2017**

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

Present were Council members Lloyd Leslie, Nathan Reed, Francis Smith, Mitch Leech, Dave Hilliard, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Don Whelan, Joan Whelan, Chris Whelan, Allison Whelan, Dave Bocci, Keith Peffer, Dan Cox, and Vickie Forbes.

Don Whelan stated that the neighboring driveway was closer to the property line than three feet as identified in the Borough ordinance. Whelan demanded that the Borough restore the three foot area of the neighbor's property bordering his property to a grassy area.

Keith Peffer inquired as to whether he could put a trailer on his property. Council reviewed the comments from the Borough Engineer stating that the ordinance provided for trailers in trailer courts. Council discussed and asked for further clarification from the Engineer.

SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE

Bocci stated that operations were normal for the Plant. Flows for August averaged 28,000 gallon per day. Discussion followed concerning the issue with the Workers' Compensation audit.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Dan Cox reported that he was continuing work on development of a multi-municipal agreement modeled after the Butler County Plan and was ready to review with the group. The next meeting with the regional group is scheduled for September 19, 2017 at 7 pm. Cox stated that he had been approached about being a liaison for the Western Pennsylvania All Hazards Fusion Center. Council agreed to appoint Cox as the liaison.

BUSINESS

Leech motioned, Hilliard seconded to approve the meeting minutes of August 1, 2017. Motion passed.

Hilliard motioned, Reed seconded, to accept the submitted July 2017 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Hilliard motioned, Reed seconded, to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sidewalk Project

The project was resubmitted to the State for approval. Once a final permit is issued, the project will be advertised for review at the October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Peoples-High Consequence Area

Council discussed and determined that the Connoquenessing Park and the recreation area in Leslie Farms could be identified sites.

Department of Labor – Workers' Compensation Audit for 2016

Council will address once the final determination of the audit is received.

School Warning Light

The letter from Bronder Technical Services reviewed a letter stating that services to the school warning light would be discontinued effective October 15, 2017. Council tabled action until quotes from electrical contractors are received. Discussion followed on upgrading the warning light.



Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

The verbal resignation effective December 31, 2017 was discussed and Council requested contacts be made with neighboring municipalities and with the Borough Engineer for available options and action was tabled until the October meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Fire:** Hilliard reported that the next fire department consolidation meeting would be held at the Connoquenessing Fire Department on September 11, 2017. Cox stated that for the consolidation to move forward, questions concerning commitment of funding from all municipalities was an issue that needed to be identified.
- Law and Order:** No Report
- Streets:** No Report
- Zoning/Planning:** No Report
- Borough Building:** Smith reported that the locksmith was contacted to address an issue with the basement outside door not locking properly.
- Park:** Smith stated that the Eagle Scout project to renovate the Park restroom was done on 8/12/17 and 8/13/17. Final improvements to complete the project would be done in the coming month.
- Sewage Financial:** The owner of 1206 Evans City Road had defaulted on the payment plan agreement. The Solicitor had filed a municipal claim against the property.

MISCELLANEOUS

Discussion continued on the driveway issue on Harmony Street.

Leech motioned, Smith seconded at 9:55 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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