



## **CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 6, 2018**

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, Dave Hilliard, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Janet Marburger, Don Whelan, Chris Whelan, Daniel Cox, Mary Grace and Eric Ruediger, Dave Bocci, and Vickie Forbes.

Janet Marburger, on the Board for the Homeowners Association for the patio homes of Leslie Farms, stated that there are sewer water issues on Shelton Place Drive, particularly on the side of the odd numbered patio homes. Water is pooling, creating heaving issues with the driveways, and flowing in small streams on the properties. Council discussed and agreed to have the Borough Engineer examine when inspecting the streets in Phase 1. Ms. Marburger also mentioned the troublesome location near the driveways of a pedestal housing the communication apparatus for the patio homes.

Don Whelan questioned if the driveway on the property bordering his property on Harmony Street was grandfathered in and if the three foot of ground bordering his property was going to be put back to dirt. Council stated that the Solicitor had reviewed the issue and had provided his opinion regarding the issue and that Council would abide by his decision. Council requested that his decision be resent to Mr. Whelan.

Mary Grace Ruediger questioned converting an existing garage on 282 Main Street into a livable dwelling. Council questioned the setbacks and suggested having the zoning officer investigate.

### **SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE**

Dave Bocci stated that operations at the Plant were normal even with the historic rainfall in January and February.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR**

Dan Cox reported that he had received the revised Butler County Emergency Operation Plan and would like to have a printed copy on file. Since the Borough has adopted the County plan, it must supply the County with specific information. Hilliard, Leslie and Cox will meet to prepare this information. Cox also stated that Evans City Borough has taken steps to adopt an ordinance to become a member of the Regional Emergency Management Organization. Cox stated that the Fire Department had held the 2018 Officer Installation Dinner with no significant changes in officers.

### **BUSINESS**

Hilliard motioned, Reed seconded to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2018. Motion passed.

Hilliard motioned, Reed seconded, to accept the submitted January 2018 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

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

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **FEMA Floodplain Ordinance**

The draft ordinance was approved at the December 6, 2016, meeting and then was sent to Leslie Rhoades, the Floodplain Coordinator. She responded with a different draft and with questions. The Borough Engineer reviewed the returned draft and stated that the original draft the Borough submitted was identified as a "B" draft, dealing with municipalities with little chance of flooding. The draft copy Rhoades returned was identified as "D" draft. The Engineer reviewed and addressed the questions and both were forwarded to Rhoades.

#### **Street Sweeping**

Street sweeping has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Reed volunteered to put up no parking signs.

#### **Act 537 Plan-Resolution 2018-05**

The draft Act 537 Plan was advertised on February 4, 2018, allowing 30 days for public comments. No public comments were received. Hilliard motioned, Reed seconded to adopt resolution 2018-05 submitting the plan to the DEP for review. Motion passed.

#### **Sidewalk Project**

Kohler Tree Service was contacted to arrange a date to remove a tree on the path of the sidewalk in March or early April in preparation for the sidewalk installation. Thompson stated he would arrange for a walk through with the contractor prior to the start of the project.



**NEW BUSINESS:**

Shipley to Bloom Temporary Waterline Project

Information received was forwarded to the Borough Engineer, and he stated that no action was required.

Peoples TWP

Reed stated that Peoples TWP should be notified of the upcoming sidewalk project on Main Street.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Fire:** No Report
- Law and Order:** No Report
- Streets:** Leslie stated the Street Committee will inspect drop boxes.
- Zoning/Planning:** No Report
- Borough Building:** No Report
- Park:** No Report
- Sewage Financial:** No Report

Reed motioned, Hilliard seconded at 8:20 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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