



CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

September 04, 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, Rob Campbell, Francis Smith, Dave Hilliard, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Janet Marburger, Daniel Cox, Dave Bocci, Abigail Wetzel, Gwen Sciallo, and Vickie Forbes.

Abigail Wetzel representing Keystone Wellness, proposed to Council identifying the Park as a smoke/tobacco-free Park. The program known as Young Lungs at Play is a Department of Health program that supplies materials including signage at no cost to the participants. Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded to have Connoquenessing Borough Park as a participant in the program. Motion passed.

Gwen Sciallo expressed interest in a property located at 1206 Evans City Road. She inquired as to whether she could operate her insurance business at the property. Leslie stated that an insurance business could be considered a Home Occupation under special exception for a residential property but would need to be addressed by the Zoning Hearing Board.

SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE

Bocci reported that a full dumpster was sent out and sludge is continuing to be bagged. Both pumps at the pump station are working as expected.

Leslie stated that funds were available for plant expansion but at a 4% interest rate. Council agreed that the plant expansion was not needed at this time at a 4% interest rate.

The Water Quality Management Permit for the pump station was approved.

The Borough received approval for the Act 537 Plan. The Borough Engineer recommended moving forward with the NPDES Part 1 permit for the proposed effluent limits. The permit approval could take months to obtain. Once the Part 1 permit was obtained, there would be no deadline to initiate the design phase. Smith motioned, Hilliard seconded to apply for the DEP Part 1 permit. Motion passed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Hilliard reviewed the revised agreement and ordinance provided by Attorney Larry Lutz. Discussion followed. Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded to advertise the ordinance for adoption at the October 2, 2018 meeting and to modify the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Connoquenessing Valley Regional EMA with changes discussed. Motion passed.

Dan Cox reported that the Butler County 911 Coordinator stated that local fire departments would be receiving invoices for radios and equipment for the new Butler County Radio system in coming months.

BUSINESS

Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded to approve the meeting minutes of August 7, 2018. Motion passed.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Complaint – 113 Sunset Drive

Council reviewed a letter received from the Borough Solicitor outlining the procedure to address the complaint. Smith motioned, Hilliard seconded to have the Zoning Office investigate and report on the condition of the property. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trick or Treat

Campbell motioned, Hilliard seconded to hold Trick or Treat in the Borough on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, from 6-7 pm. Motion passed.

MINUTES – 9/04/2018



Park Rental Letter

Council discussed the request and agreed to permit rescheduling of the reservation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire: No Report

Law and Order: No Report

Streets: No Report

Zoning/Planning: No Report

Borough Building: No Report

Park: Information was provided from Lance Welliver, Butler County Parks and Recreation, for the Park Trail Project: the current plan was to bid the project early 2019 with work being done in the spring of 2019.

Smith suggested that an oak tree in the Park be taken down for safety reasons. A contact will be made with Dan Kohler to remove the tree.

Sewage Financial: No Report

MISCELLANEOUS Smith reported on hogweed.

Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded at 9:30 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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