



CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

June 6, 2023

The public meeting of the Borough Council of Connoquenessing was called to order.

Present were Council members Lloyd Leslie, Chris Logan, Rob Campbell, Francis Smith, and Dave Hilliard.

Also present were Sandy Cox, Dave Bocci, Matt McConnell, David Cottington, Lou Zimmerman, and Vickie Forbes.

Two bids were open from Wiest Asphalt and Holbein, Inc. paving companies for street repairs on Constitution Avenue and Connoq Main Street. Smith motioned, Campbell seconded to accept the low bid from Wiest Asphalt. Motion passed.

Matt McConnell of the Connoquenessing Volunteer Fire Department shared drawings of the proposed new fire department building with Council. A possible grant opportunity was discussed.

Sandi Cox reviewed with Council details of miscellaneous issues in the Borough including preliminary plans, a water runoff concern, and signage at 116 Dogwood Lane; an unsafe structure and unsafe tree issue at 135 Connoq Main Street; and a verbal complaint on Harmony Street.

SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE

Bocci acknowledged completing four sewage tap-in inspections on Hidden Springs Drive. The annual calibration of the flow meter was completed, and flows at the plant averaged 20-22,000 gallons during the unusually recent dry conditions.

BUSINESS

Hilliard noted a change to the proposed minutes. Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded, to approve the amended meeting minutes of May 2, 2023. Motion passed.

Hilliard motioned, Logan seconded, to approve the submitted April 2023 Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Logan requested clarification on charges related to Recycle/Cleanup Day. Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded, to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Leslie Farms Phase 3 – Bond Release #2

Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded to approve the release for the amount of \$217,772.31 as reviewed and approved by the Borough Engineer. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Notary Renewal

Campbell, motioned, Smith seconded to approve renewal of the notary commission for the secretary/treasurer. Motion passed.

Pickle Ball/Tennis/Volley Ball Court Net

Campbell, motioned, Smith seconded to approve the purchase of the multi-functional net for the Park. Motion passed.

Dogwood Lane Stormwater Runoff/Retention Pond

The Zoning/Code Enforcement officer will contact the property owner regarding concerns for storm water runoff on Dogwood Lane.

Gas Line Replacement – South Connoq Main Street & Rose Drive

Council reviewed the plans for the gas line replacement in the Borough.

Council discussed a problem with water collection at the intersection of Hidden Springs Drive and Constitution Avenue. Smith motioned, Campbell seconded to have a catch basin put in at the intersection. Motion passed.



MINUTES – 6/06/2023

A phone call was received at the Borough office regarding an unsafe condition when exiting Hidden Springs Drive due to high vegetation to the east of the intersection. Council will investigate.

Smith questioned whether it was permitted to discharge a fire arm in the Borough.

Campbell stated that he had approved the purchase of a trash receptacle to go with a bench donated to the Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Emergency Management: No Report

Fire: No Report

Law and Order: No Report

Streets: Borough Engineer informed the office that a study was needed to determine weight limit and to permit bonding of Dogwood Lane.

Zoning/Planning: Hilliard motioned, Logan seconded to appoint Carl Aul to fill a vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board due to the resignation of Chris Hinchberger. Motion passed.

Borough Building: Campbell reviewed information concerning security devices for the Borough building and Park. Smith motioned, Campbell seconded to approve the purchase and installation of security devices and signage associated with the security devices and the purchase of a drop box for outside of the building. Motion passed.

Park: Campbell reported on details for a system to automatically close the gate at the Park at night.

Sewage Financial: No Report

MISCELLANEOUS:

Hilliard motioned, Campbell seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Forbes

Vickie L. Forbes
Borough Secretary/Treasurer