

CONNOQUENESSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

February 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, Mitch Leech, Francis Smith, Dave Hilliard, and Mayor Harold Rader.

Also present were Derek Hyatt, Lou Collins, Dave Bocci, and Vickie Forbes.

Derek Hyatt reported on excessive water in the basement of his home on Dogwood Lane. This condition occurs periodically with an excessive rain event or snow melt. During January when both occurred simultaneously, he had at least five sumps running trying to keep up with the incoming water. He stated he would like to eliminate the possibility of the storm sewers being part of the cause. Discussion followed.

SEWAGE PLANT UPDATE

Dave Bocci stated he had completed the Chapter 94 Municipal Report with a copy available in the Borough office for review. A new grinder pump was installed at the pump station in January. Bocci stated he had responded to a call concerning a blocked sewage line at a triplex on Rt. 68. The problem was found to be in the property owner's line. Bocci reported that during the rain/snow melt event in January the plant experience an excessive amount of flow through the Plant with no issues. A request was made to have a load of stone put on the driveway into the Plant when the weather breaks.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

No Report

BUSINESS

Hilliard motioned, Leech seconded to approve the meeting minutes of January 2, 2018. Motion passed.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Agreement for Sewage Treatment Facilities

Leech motioned, Smith seconded to renew the Agreement for Maintenance and Operation of Sewage Treatment Facilities with Dave Bocci for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2018. Motion passed.

Tax Collector Resolution 2018-03

The Board of Commissioners for Butler County appointed by Resolution 2018-3 the County Treasurer to collect the real estate taxes for Connoquenessing Borough. Smith motioned, Hilliard seconded to adopt Resolution 2018-03 appointing the County Treasurer as the tax collector for Connoquenessing Borough. Motion passed.

Sidewalk Project

The signed contract with Santamaria Landscape and Cement Contractors, Inc. for the Main Street Sidewalk Replacement project was received for Borough signatures. The project is scheduled to the spring of 2018.

Floodplain Ordinance 30

The draft ordinance was approved at the December 6, 2016, meeting. On February 2, 2018, the new maps officially finally became effective making the deadline to have a compliant ordinance adopted and returned August 2, 2018. Council reviewed the minor changes to the original draft. Smith motioned, Leech seconded to approve the proposed flood plain ordinance and submit for review and approval. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Butler County Park Renovation/Development Grant

Hilliard motioned, Leech seconded to apply for the Butler County Park Renovation Grant and adopt Resolution 2018-04. Motion passed.



NEW BUSINESS (continued):

Leslie Farms Subdivision

Council reviewed the Planning Committee's recommendation to approve the Leslie Farms subdivision. The subdivision had been approved in March of 2016; but due to a problem with a deed reference chain on the drawing, the plan was never recorded. Hilliard motioned, Smith seconded to approve the Leslie Farms L.P. subdivision. Motion passed.

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Council discussed and did not take action.

Street Cleaning

Leech motioned, Smith seconded to schedule street cleaning for later April or early May. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire: Hilliard reported that Dan Cox had met with Amy Marree at the County EMA and discussed a simpler approach to

meeting the needs for the Borough's emergency management.

Law and Order: Mayor Rader reported noticing a greater State Police presence.

Streets: No Report

Zoning/Planning: No Report

Borough Building: No Report

Park: Smith reported that the slide portion of the playground equipment will be repaired when the weather improves.

Sewage Financial: No Report

Leech motioned, Hilliard seconded at 8:45 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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