

May 4, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. The following were in attendance: Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Dan Dunham, Peter Bryan, Dan Hollingshead, Dave Hindman, Francis Zurn, Drew Conklin, Robert Vicioso, Vida Williams and Anne Berkley.

Vice President William Thompson opened the meeting with a moment of silence. He then led the people with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Council Members present, Dave Berkley, Bob Manahan, Brian Canfield, and Bill Thompson, Council members absent, Linda Abrams, Larry Westbrook, and Michelle Dunham

Minutes:

The minutes were read and Brian Canfield made a motion to accept the minutes. Dave Berkley seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

- **Citizens to be heard:** Vida Williams said she thought the streets were in bad shape again. She also had concerns over burn violations. Bob Manahan and Brian Canfield will visit the homeowners and inform them of the ordinance. Vida asked about the front of a homeowner's house being blocked by an electric dog fence. She was told that it was just flags and not an actual fence. Vida stated that the holes in Jones alley need to be cleaned out. Vida would also like the edge of the bridge on rt. 220 painted.
- Robert Vicioso had concerns over trash by his dumpster that is not his. Dave Berkley and Bill Thompson will speak to the tenants and property owner and notify them of the Boroughs Property Maintenance Ordinance. Robert also requested parking signs in front of his business.
- Drew Conklin announced the Fishing Derby at Wiles Pond on May 17th starting at 11am.

Elected Officers: Mayor Dan Dunham had received calls concerning a large water bill. The residents do not feel they should have to pay this. They believe it is a faulty meter. The council decided that they are responsible for the bill and told the Secretary to proceed as usual with that matter. All customers are to be treated the same. If the property owner has leaks it is their responsibility to fix them. Bill Thompson will install a new meter, but the leaks have to be fixed and the bill has to be paid.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

District Justice & Fines, \$214.79
Bradford Co treasurer: \$406.53
Kevin Downs - EIT 3/27- \$1188.62

CHECKBOOK BALANCES:

HIGHWAY/PLGIT	BOROUGH	WATER	SEWER	SEWER RESERVE
Chg \$7480.16	\$9,781.17	\$7,400.32	\$3,613.42	\$25,999.66
MM	\$22,969.10	\$13,664.42	\$18,157.99	

A motion was made by Brian Canfield to accept the Treasurers report. Dave Berkley seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Emergency Management: Kathy Chase was unable to attend.

Highway: A motion was made by Bob Manahan to purchase a storage unit for cinders. Dave Berkley seconded it. . A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

Park: Pete Bryan and Dan Hollingshead donated a basketball net and 2 flower Pots. Pete stated that 4 picnic tables were in very poor condition. Council decided to send them down to T&M and have them fixed. Bill Thompson will be installing a new sensor for the light. Another park clean up day has been scheduled for Sunday, May 17. All Council and Rotary Club members are asked to help out. Any volunteers would be helpful.

Sewer: Everything is running well

Water: Brian Canfield is trying to get financial help for the road to Well 2. He did the necessary paper work and gave his presentation to the Council.

Ordinance Enforcement: Dave and Larry made two visits; each issue was taken care of.

Economic Development: Brian Canfield reported that both a Physicians group and Trehab have expressed interested in possibly setting up a business in New Albany. They will both be contacting Brian within a few weeks.

Bills:

General

Baptist Church	\$30.00	Rent for building use.
Penelec	\$16.11	Park Electric
NTSWA	\$4.00	Trash
Peoples State Bank	\$18.00	Safe Deposit Box Yearly Rent
New Albany Children's Fund	\$50.00	Fishing Derby
Leljedals	\$79.98	Park Supplies
The Daily Review	\$194.48	Advertising
Quill	\$135.87	Toner for copier & printer. 12 Notebooks
Bob Manahan	\$10.00	Lawn Mower Gas for Park.
Gannon	\$1162.00	Insurance
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley

Highway/Plgit

Penelec	\$260.53	Street Lights
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Sewer:

Frontier	\$32.16	Phone
Benchmark	\$206.00	Testing /5 invoices
Towanda Sewer System	\$810.90	Sludge
USDA	\$1517.00	monthly loan payment
Bob Manahan	\$6.28	Reimbursement for braces from Lowes
Penelec	\$579.24	Electric
Postmaster	\$84.00	Postage
Commonwealth of PA	\$500.00	Application fee for Sewer Permit
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$150.00	Sewer Manager/Scot Sample
Payroll	\$480.00	Sewer Manager/Larry Rohe

Water:

Mike Higley	\$75.00	1 1/2 hrs backhoe @ Arizzi
Pennvest	\$141.95	Loan
Peoples State	\$639.09	Loan
Frontier	\$35.65	Booster Station Phone Line

Penelec	\$319.22	Well 2
Towanda Water	\$1527.14	Water usage
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$48.00	Meter reading/ Dave Berkley

Bob Manahan made a motion to pay the bills, Brian Canfield seconded it, and A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, and Brian Canfield voting yes. David Berkley abstained. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: It was agreed that the secretary would compose a letter on behalf of the Borough Council to inform residents of clean-up day, park procedures, and town meeting for gas leases.

A motion was made by Bob Manahan to purchase flower pots at Agway for the donated flowers to be placed on the street. Brian Canfield seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

New Business: A discussion of the Borough to sign up for the gas lease resulted in Brian Canfield making the motion, that the Borough would take no upfront money and accepting 20% in royalties. Dave Berkley seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

Bob Manahan submitted a plan he had worked on to fix the bridge on Main Street. Dave and Bob will be working on this. A motion was made by Dave Berkley to purchase the products necessary to repair the bridge. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

Secretary Anne Berkley asked the Council's permission to purchase the necessary accessories so the Borough's camera can be used. This will include the USB cord, dock, software, memory card, user manual, and batteries. A motion was made by Brian Canfield to order the necessary items. Bob Manahan seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill Thompson to purchase 2 loads of modified. Dave Berkley seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was made with Bill Thompson, Robert Manahan, David Berkley and Brian Canfield voting yes. Michelle Dunham, Linda Abrams and Larry Westbrook were not available. Motion carried.

The Borough also adopted a resolution to name Peter Bryan as representative for future Act 32 meetings, with Larry Westbrook as alternate and Anne Berkley as the second alternate.

Next month's meeting will be June 1st, 2009.
Bill Thompson adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Anne Berkley
May 4th, 2009