

September 11, 2009

The scheduled meeting on September 8 was cancelled. It was rescheduled for September 11. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. The following were in attendance: Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Larry Westbrook, Michele Dunham, Peter Bryan, Daniel Dunham, Kathy Chase, Francis Zurn and Anne Berkley.

President Larry Westbrook opened the meeting with a moment of silence. He then led the people with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: All Council members present.

Minutes:

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

REPORT FROM ELECTED OFFICERS (MAYOR/TAX COLLECTOR):

No report. Dan Dunham requested more bolts for the sign he is putting up.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

County Treasurer -\$345.44
Kevin Downs - EIT \$937.34
Tax collector/Stacey McBride \$58.17

CHECKBOOK BALANCES:

HIGHWAY/PLGIT	BOROUGH	WATER	SEWER	SEWER RESERVE
Chg 6,191.20	20,735.38	4,659.40	6112.41	28,563.55
MM	23,026.82	13,698.77	10,184.50	

A motion was made by Peter Bryan to accept the Treasurers report. Dave Berkley seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Michelle Dunham, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Emergency Management: Kathy Chase reported that the batteries were replaced in the radios and they are working well. She attended a training session for the H1N1 virus. She urged hand washing and staying home from work or school if you are ill. Kathy Chase reported that she needs the NIMS compliance forms. She needs to send the total up to county. August 15 was the date they needed to be in. Funding is affected by this. She is expecting to receive new criteria from PEMA. She would like to request an October meeting with the Borough Council, Overton Township, Albany Township, and New Albany Fire Department to discuss these important issues.

Highway: Brian Canfield will check with States Aggregates for an estimate on delivery and setting of the blocks for the cinder building. He also reported that there are two lots and the property edge of the Borough is the creek. The map stated that it is deeded to the Borough. Crosswalks will be painted by Robert Manahan and Peter Bryan.

Park: Michele Dunham reported that the mural has been completed by the children and will be presented at the Fall Festival. She will be asking children that have vandalized the park, to help with clean up. No other reservations other than the Festival are planned for the Park this season.

Sewer: Robert Manahan reported that the sewer plant has been working well. Still need the Grinder Pump fixed. Dave Berkley suggested meeting on September 16th, Wednesday night at 6:00 pm to fix the grinder pump

and finish flushing the hydrants. The Borough cannot locate the wrenches needed for the hydrants. Brian Canfield made the motion to purchase whatever tools are needed to operate the water company and sewer company efficiently. Michele Dunham seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Michelle Dunham, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Motion carried.

Water: Bushes and trees still need to be trimmed around meters so they can be read. Peter Bryan also suggested trimming the bushes around Lawrence Street.

Ordinance Enforcement: Dan Dunham said he would walk around the borough with Ordinance Enforcement Officer Sandra Myhand to inform her of residents and rental property.

Economic Development:

No report. Brian Canfield will have a report for next months meeting concerning Pennvest and DEP.

Bills:

General

Baptist Church	\$30.00	Rent for building use.
Penelec	\$20.04	Park Electric
Frontier	\$32.70	Borough Phone
Sullivan Review	\$13.20	Yard Sale Ad
Daily Review	\$20.00	Yard Sale Ad
New Albany Borough Water	\$850.00	½ Hydrant Rental
Post Office	\$88.00	Postage
NTSWA	\$9.00	Trash Removal
Kathy Chase	\$32.94	1/3 Emergency Management
Daniel Dunham	\$5.01	Reimbursement for mower gas
Agway	\$7.99	Patch Mix
P&P Gravel Co.	\$297.05	Gravel
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$2.91	Tax Collector, Stacey McBride

Highway/Plgit

Penelec	\$259.91	Street Lights
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Sewer:

Frontier	\$32.72	Phone
Benchmark	\$174.00	Testing
USDA	\$1517.00	monthly loan payment
Leljedals	\$31.70	Parts for Grinder Pump
Agway	\$479.60	40 bags of sodium sesquicarbonate
Gannon Associates	\$1162.00	Insurance
Penelec	\$688.97	Electric
WG Walden	\$403.73	Calibration & parts
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$150.00	Sewer Manager/Scot Sample
Payroll	\$500.00	Sewer Manager/Larry Rohe

Water:

Pennvest	\$141.95	Loan
Frontier	\$36.28	Booster Station Phone Line
Penelec	\$8.51	Well 2

Towanda Water	\$2438.32	Water usage
Payroll	\$48.00	Meter reading Dave Berkley
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley

Robert Manahan made a motion to pay the bills, Brian Canfield seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Michelle Dunham, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Anne Berkley reported that she cannot locate to resolution to amend the sewer ordinance. Michele Dunham will check at the court house to see if there is a copy filed there. She will also go through boxes at the sewer plant to try to locate it. It was suggested that the Solicitor be contacted.

New Business: A Town Meeting is scheduled for September 17 for borough residents for gas lease sign ups. Anne Berkley requested permission to go to a Budget Training meeting. October 1. Brian Canfield made a motion to send Anne Berkley and pay the fee. Peter Bryan seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Brian Canfield, Michelle Dunham, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Motion carried.

Public Input: Robert Vicioso spoke saying it has been a year since he opened his restaurant and things are going well. He put up the parking sign one day, the next day he found it on the ground. He will be given a post to put the sign up again. He also stated that he will be available to help the council on Mondays until 3:00pm

Next months meeting will be October 5th, 2009.
Larry Westbrook adjourned the meeting at 8.35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Berkley
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