

November 2, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. The following were in attendance: Robert Manahan, David Berkley, Larry Westbrook, Peter Bryan, Daniel Dunham, Sandra Myhand, Victoria O'Connor, Vida Williams, 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 were present, with the exception of Michelle Dunham and Brian Canfield.

Minutes:

The minutes were read. Peter Bryan made a motion to accept the minutes. Robert Manahan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, motion carried.

REPORT FROM ELECTED OFFICERS (MAYOR/TAX COLLECTOR):

Blood drive will be held on November 4th at the Social Hall. Dan Dunham reported for the Rotary Club. A statement was made at the June 1st, 2009 meeting by Karen Wells stating that the Rotary Club donates \$200 each year after the Fall Festival to the Borough. Dan Dunham reported that Judy Epler said this had not happened in years. It could not be recalled when a \$200.00 donation had been given to the Borough. In lieu of the \$200 the Rotary club would like to replace the roof of the storage building at the Park. Peter Bryan made a motion to accept the offer, David Berkley seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Kevin Downs - EIT \$557.56
Tax collector/Stacey McBride \$113.64

CHECKBOOK BALANCES:

HIGHWAY/PLGIT	BOROUGH	WATER	SEWER	SEWER RESERVE
Chg 5674.13	16,347.91	6,098.41	3,443.46	28,572.37
MM	23,041.00	13,707.20	10,190.77	

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

Committee Reports:

Emergency Management: Kathy Chase was unable to attend the meeting.

Highway: Peter Bryan and Robert Manahan painted the cross walks. Robert Manahan has continued work on the bridge on Main Street.

One Bid for winter maintenance was submitted. It was opened and read. Peter Bryan made the motion to accept the bid made by Terry Williams. Robert Manahan seconded it. A Roll Call vote

was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried.

Brian Canfield had left word for the council that the cinder building project needed more funds. Peter Bryan made a motion to spend \$3500 on the project. David Berkley seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried. Dave Berkley said that he would check with Mike Higley for the use of his backhoe. A motion was made to use Mike Higley's backhoe by Larry Westbrook, seconded by Peter Bryan. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried.

Park: Peter Bryan and Robert Manahan worked at the Park. They turned off the water and did other necessary winter preparation. They dug up the outside shut off, replaced the valves, took an air compressor and blew out the water lines. The Park was in disarray. Pete said the tables and benches are still out and a lot of big branches on the lower lawn. Bob cleaned the mud and dirt off the mower; it had several scrapes and dents. The mower deck was shoved back and hit the blade. Blades were bent and new ones ordered, and shifter didn't work. He was able to straiten the shifter lever. He also changed the oil and air filter. It needs a new starter. Bob would like to see regular maintenance on the mower so it will be usable in the future. A motion was made by Peter Bryan to purchase a new starter. Larry Westbrook seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried. Pete and Bob picked up flower pots on Front Street. The rest of the council members expressed their thanks to Pete and Bob for their work.

Sewer: Robert Manahan reported that the sewer plant has been working well. Because of vandalism and theft a new combination lock will be purchased for the gate.

Water: The Council discussed the fire company not paying for or reporting the water they used to fill pools this year. It was agreed that from now on they must follow the rules. They must fill out the application form and pay for it. This is a violation of the water ordinance and must be complied with.

Ordinance Enforcement: Sandra Myhand has recently lost a family member making it hard for her to get to New Albany. She will be back on the job this month.

Economic Development: Brian Canfield was not present to report.

Bills:

General

Baptist Church	\$30.00	Rent for building use.
Penelec	\$17.14	Park Electric
Frontier	\$32.10	Borough Phone
PSAB	\$121.00	Annual Dues
Daily Review	\$16.43	Legal Notice
Bradco Supply	\$526.30	Street Sign brackets
NTSWA	\$24.00	Trash Removal
NAFire Company	\$1324.49	Relief Funds
Robert Manahan	\$5.70	park oil for mower
PAUC Fund	\$25.00	yearly fee

Kathy Chase	\$30.77	Emergency management
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$5.66	Tax Collector/ Stacey McBride
Payroll	\$20.00	Sandra Myhand/ enforcement officer
Highway/Plgit		
Penelec	\$259.91	Street Lights
Sewer:		
Frontier	\$32.26	Phone
Benchmark	\$206.00	Testing
USDA	\$1517.00	monthly loan payment
Gannon Associates	\$1162.00	Insurance
Penelec	\$625.24	Electric
USA Blue Book	\$206.38	Testing supplies
Robert Manahan	\$8.56	Oil for Treatment Plant
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$175.00	Sewer Manager/Scot Sample
Payroll	\$500.00	Sewer Manager/Larry Rohe
Water:		
Pennvest	\$141.95	Loan
Frontier	\$35.42	Booster Station Phone Line
Penelec	\$8.58	Well 2
Towanda Water	\$1943.62	Water usage
Payroll	\$280.00	Borough Secretary/Anne Berkley
Payroll	\$96.00	Dave Berkley/ Oct,Nov.meter reader

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

Unfinished Business: A new agreement was written for the Borough and the New Albany Volunteer Fire Company. It states that if the fire company submits proper and timely paper work to the council and emergency management, the Borough Council will purchase \$1000 worth of needful items for the fire company. Dave Berkley made motion to accept the new agreement and send it to the Fire Company President Dale Hatch. Peter Bryan seconded it. A Roll Call vote was made with Larry Westbrook, Robert Manahan, David Berkley, and Peter Bryan voting yes. Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield were unavailable. Motion carried.

A brief report of the meeting held on October 27th with the Fire Company and other municipalities was given.

Anne Berkley stated that the yearly budget meeting was held on October 29th, 2009. Dan Dunham, Michele Dunham and Brian Canfield did not attend.

The tentative budget for 2010 and the proposed tax ordinance were submitted. The budget and tax ordinance are on display and available for public viewing at the secretary's home. Both will be voted on at the next meeting.

The new sewer and water resolutions will be presented at the next meeting and voted on. These resolutions will make it possible to bill customers a flat rate and actual sewer usage according to water usage. There will also be a change to the unit description.

New Business: Peter Bryan expressed his concern over Mayor Dunham submitting a letter on behalf of Robert Vicioso on a legal matter between the two of them. Dan replied that he had no knowledge of that. He never wrote the letter and he will question Robert Vicioso about it.

Public Input: Victoria O'Connor lives at 79 Front Street. Because of public parking many times she cannot park in front of her home. She has spoke to the other neighbors and the police. There is nothing the Council can do to help her on this issue, although they were sympathetic to her problem.

Next months meeting will be December 7, 2009.

President Larry Westbrook adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Berkley
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