

August 11, 2009

CONVENE

The Mount Wolf Borough Council met in a regular session on Tuesday, August 11, 2009, beginning at 7:00 PM. The meeting was called to order by President Ronald Walker.

ATTENDANCE

These council members and other officials were present:

Council – Thomas Brenner, Martha Hassler, Pat Poet, Ronald Walker, Ronald Witmer, Mayor James Kinder, Solicitor/Zoning Officer – Joe Gothie, Adam Anderson & John Runge – Gordon L. Brown & Associates

Absent – Lester Jordan and Dennis Naylor

AGENDA

A Brenner/Witmer motion was made to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

MINUTES

A Poet/Hassler motion was made to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2009 meeting. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A Witmer/Brenner motion was made to approve the 7/31/09 Treasurer's Report and the 8/11/09 Payment of Bills: #1590 - #1613 - \$26,499.56. Motion passed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Adam Anderson presented the following:

1. York Excavating will begin the 2009 Street Project after Labor Day.
2. MS4 Permit Renewal is due on 9/8/09. Dennis Naylor and Adam prepared the paperwork. A Poet/Brenner motion was made to send \$250 to Commonwealth of PA – Clean Water Fund for the MS4 Permit renewal fee. Motion passed.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Mayor Kinder reported that John Moramarco has become certified and will be presented with this certification at our September Council meeting.

VISITORS

1. Mike Glatfelter, Diehl's Funeral Home, was present to discuss the following:
 - a. Informed Council that a garage caved in on at property located behind the funeral home.
 - b. Reported on the Mt. Wolf Borough Beautification Committee
 - i. Asked if any grants are available to use for this purpose
 - ii. Discussed properties around Mt. Wolf Borough that could possibly be purchased by the Borough
 - iii. Inquired as to what is needed to have all the street lights in the Borough look the same and have the same brightness
 - iv. Contacted the state about the bridge over Manhattan Creek. The bridge is due to be sandblasted and painted this fall.
 - v. Hope to place flower pots on the bridge
 - vi. Discussed updating Borough codes – esp. converting houses to apartments and not allowing inside furniture to be placed outside a house
2. Council will discuss these issues.
2. Wes Dunn brought suggestions for 9/12/09 Movie Night at Greiman Park. "Race to Witch Mountain" was selected. The movie will begin at 8:15 p.m. Wes will advertise for this night.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary presented the following:

1. Received a letter from Joseph Moul of York Haven opposing the road closing at PP&L.
2. Received a notice from the County that there's a public meeting on Consolidation Plan 2005-2009 on 8/18/09.
3. The York County Economic Development Corporation's Annual Meeting is scheduled for 9/10/09.
4. Received a letter from Hemler informing Council that they will be on leave from 8/21/09-8/31/09. County control will have coverage information. There will not be a rate increase.
5. Area Agency on Aging is holding a Citizen's Need Assistance meeting on 8/25/09 from 6-8 p.m. at the Mt. Wolf VFW.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Joe Gothie reviewed his activity during the past month:

1. A Poet/Hassler motion was made to approve Ordinance 2009-2, New Flood Plain Ordinance. Motion passed.
2. Received request from 58 S. 4th Street for permission to convert property to a rental unit. This will not be approved due to lack of parking.
3. Lynn Diamos, 162 S. 4th Street, asking for permission to move fire pit in backyard. This is acceptable.
4. Sent letter to Dina Ramirez allowing the use of the old bakery building for a restaurant.
5. Request to have daycare at 45 N. Main Street. A Conditional Use Application is needed.
6. Will again request activity reports from Commonwealth Code that does our inspections.

ZONING HEARING

Conditional Use Hearing for 467 Center Street was held from 7:45 p.m. to 7:58 p.m. Mario Garfalo requested to open a Barber/Styling & Spa Salon on corner of 5th & Center Streets. The hours will be: 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Saturday. A Brenner/Witmer motion was made to approve the Conditional Use application for Mario Glatfelter. Motion passed.

INSURANCE

No report

PARKS AND RECREATION

No report

STREETS

No report

PROPERTY AND SERVICES

No report

BUDGET & FINANCE

No report

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Martha Hassler reported that Chief Albright is retiring at the end of this year. He is going to work at the DA's office.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kinder reminded Council that the Visual Reality Car Show is Saturday, 8/15/09, at the Mt. Wolf Park. A representative from Council is needed to pick a favorite car.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Pat Poet reported on the Centennial Committee:
 - a. In order to purchase street banners – proof of insurance is needed
 - b. The committee's budget is \$32,000
 - c. Will check with Tom Wolf about putting contributions into a separate account
 - d. Main Event is scheduled for 8/21/2010
 - i. Planning a Community Picnic at the Mt. Wolf Park – drinks and cake will be provided – everyone brings their own food
 - ii. Making some type of souvenir item
 - iii. Donna Naylor is in charge of coordinating a Walking Tour of Mt. Wolf Borough for this day.
 - e. Patti Kinder, Betsy Beakler and Cathy Beshore are coordinating a Temporary Museum
 - f. Borough History book will be reprinted
 - g. Discussed installing welcome signs at both ends of Mt. Wolf
 - h. Hoping Borough will put funds in next year's budget
 - i. Hope to get a website

NEW BUSINESS

1. Tom Brenner presented information about Otterbein Church's new sign. Would like to have a message go away and then re-appear. Joe Gothie requested that Council closely evaluate the current sign ordinance and update. Joe will bring ideas to the September meeting.
2. Joe Gothie will research property maintenance issues, furniture on the porch, etc. and report back to Council.
3. EMS report received

ADJOURNMENT

A Witmer/Brenner motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion passed.

Jane M. Schaeffer, Recording Secretary