

WERNERSVILLE BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EDWARD EVANS	ROBERT GORDON
BRIAN CLEMENTS	ROBERT FISCHER
DAVID LATINO	STEPHEN PRICE
JIM SWARTZ	

ALSO, PRESENT:

JOHN BUCOLO, SOLICITOR
KEN FULMER, GVC
GLENN KRAFT, KRAFT CODE SERVICES
MICHAEL PALM, BOROUGH EMPLOYEE
MATTHEW PLANER, SARGEANT, WBRPD
JARED RENSHAW, WBRFD

ABSENT:

DEBBIE PIERCE
JIM PIERCE

VISITORS:

Jeannine Campbell and Christine Santoro, Wernersville Library

S. Price called the Wernersville Borough Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All stood and pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion made by J. Swartz to approve the minutes from the Feb 1, 2017 meeting. R. Fischer seconded and carried unanimously.

Library: Mrs. Campbell and Ms. Santoro reported that the Library may be eligible for reimbursement from the State for certain utility expenses. The Borough would slightly increase its contribution to the Library, but the amount of the reimbursement would more than offset the increase. They will come back in a few months to report again.

Western Berks Fire Company:

Jared Renshaw reported that the Fire Company obtained 2 grants – one from PA Water Co. for \$500.00 and a large one from the Office of PA Fire Commissioner (\$49,000).

Western Berks Regional Police Dept.:

They had a total of 157 calls for Feb. bringing the Year to date total to 299.

Western Berks Ambulance:

None.

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Engineer Report:

Mr. Fulmer reported that the 2017 Streets Project went out for bids and NESL, Inc. was the low bidder. They are the successor to EJ Breneman.

Motion made by J. Swartz to award the bid to NESL for \$54,577.70. B. Clements seconded and carried unanimously. Mr. Fulmer will send out the Notice of Intent to Award.

Zoning and Building Enforcement Report:

A written report was submitted. There was also a discussion regarding the Giannotti property on Norman Street, bordering on Lower Heidelberg Township, and that a potential issue may arise if he is granted approval by LHT to build on the adjoining lot as he will be seeking permission for access onto Norman Street.

Solicitor's Report:

Family Dollar: Motion made by R. Gordon to approve the release of the final \$2,907 being held in escrow to secure the maintenance bond regarding the construction of the Family Dollar store. The agreement and bond expires on March 3, 2017. R. Fischer seconded and carried unanimously.

Joint Planning Commission: J. Bucolo also reported that the JT Planning Commission is meeting 3/22/17 at 7:00pm at Lower Heidelberg Township to discuss potential Zoning Ordinance amendments related to the medical marijuana act as well as a proposal from LHT regarding "reverse frontage lots" and a problem they are having with small shed approvals.

Council's Oral Report:

There was some discussion of Property Maintenance issues, specifically about 104 Beckley Street, and a storm damaged tree/branches.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

CWCA: Kevin Snyder from the CWCA asked Borough Council's permission once again have permission this year to conduct its baseball/softball league using the playground fields. The fact that the bathrooms are not to be used was noted and the motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: April 5, 2017, at 7:00 pm.

Monthly Bills: Motion made by R. Fischer to approve bill list and bills previously paid to avoid penalty.

R. Gordon seconded and carried unanimously

Balance Sheet: Motion made by R. Gordon to accept the Balance Sheet. B. Clements seconded and carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Attest:

Borough Secretary