

WYALUSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on September 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. the Wyalusing Borough Hall. Those in attendance were George Anderson, Scott Snyder, Mary Ann Raffin, Kelly Bradley, Fred Reinhart, Jean Reinhart, Sgt. Lloyd Overfield, Dave Keeler and Melissa Lee. Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Anderson acknowledged the use of a tape recorder.

MAYORS REPORT

POLICE REPORT

Sgt. Overfield stated he had been working in town again for about three weeks, basically letting himself be known in the community again. Bradley stated the signs prohibiting the use of "jake brakes" had been put up on SR706 from the Borough line to the traffic light and on SR6 heading east from Third Street to the Borough line. Sgt. Overfield stated he was unaware of this and would review the ordinance so he was familiar with the regulations.

CITIZENS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Lee asked Council if there had been any progress in placing off street parking for her mother, Carolyn Harrsch. It was stated Ms. Harrsch had not agreed to a lien being placed on her property for the value of the parking and she hadn't agreed to the handicap parking and waiver agreement on SR6 so Council was at a standstill. Lee suggested placing a pull through driveway in front of the house which would get the car off the road. Lee was asked if her mother would agree to the lien for this request. Lee felt her mother wouldn't agree to this either. Since the discussion was again at a standstill, Lee left the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

AUGUST 1, 2011

Raffin made the motion to approve the minutes for the August 1, 2011 meeting. Bradley second. Snyder, Bradley, Raffin and Anderson approved. Reinhart abstained due to absence.

TREASURERS REPORT

APPROVAL TO PAY 29 BILLS

Raffin made the motion to approve to pay the bills as presented. Fred Reinhart second. All approve.

BOROUGH MAINTENANCE MANAGER/MUNICIPAL LIAISON

Anderson stated with all of the rain from Tropical Storm Lee, about 9" or 10" within 48 hours, he felt most of the town had not had as much flood damage as the outlying areas. There had been water over the low area of Bridge Street and the buildings on Dodco Drive had water in them. The Municipal Authority had water in the pump station near the creek bridge. Felter had been busy trying to get it running again.

Anderson stated he had spoken with the Municipal Authority concerning using their new dump truck and was told it was alright to use it.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mayor Reinhart stated she had been working with Myhand on Monday mornings and had several cases at District Magistrate Wheaton's office. Tama has a demolition permit for the old barn, but had 180 days to complete the demolition.

There was discussion of purchasing more curb bumpers for the Cemetery.

BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION (MMO)

After discussion of the MMO, Raffin made the motion to approve it. Fred Reinhart second. All approve.

GANNON ASSOCIATES INSURANCE COVERAGE

There was discussion of the 2011-2012 insurance policies. It was felt Steve Sumner should be asked to attend meeting. Hart was asked to see if Sumner would be available on the 13th at 6:00 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT-MAIN STREET ROAD CLOSURE

Wyalusing Chamber has requested to close Main Street for the annual fall festival on October 8th. Raffin made the motion to approve the road closure. Bradley second. All approve.

COG BYLAWS RESOLUTION #05-2011

After discussion, Bradley made the motion to adopt resolution #05-2011 to adopt the COG Bylaws. Raffin second. All approve.

BLUE RIDGE CABLE FRANCHISE RENEWAL RESOLUTION #06-2011

There was suggestion of permitting Comcast to do business in the Borough. After discussion, it was felt there could be too many complications with cables. Bradley made the motion to adopt resolution #06-2011 to renew the 10 year agreement with Blue Ridge Cable. Raffin second. All approve.

HOMET HEIGHTS ROAD

Anderson stated the Homet Heights road near the Borough line was in very bad shape, adding he felt the damage was the result of heavy truck traffic from Mountain Energy. Hart was asked to send a letter requesting assistance with road repairs.

Anderson stated the first camera that had been purchased had been sent to Select Security for repairs.

There was discussion of the recent flooding and not having an office key available to access the emergency management book. It was felt that our emergency management coordinator should have been more available than he was. There was discussion of the location of the Borough's generator.

A budget workshop had been scheduled for the 27th at 9:00 a.m. with Jane Dietz.

Snyder made the motion to dismiss. Fred Reinhart second. All approve.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.