

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING – NOVEMBER 15, 2011

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Glass called the Washington Township Council Meeting to order on November 15, 2011 at 4:00 P.M. at the Washington Township Administration Building at 11800 Edinboro Road, Edinboro, PA 16412. Those present were Vice-Mayor Feikles, Councilmen Patterson, Stefano and Councilwoman Campbell. Also present were Engineer Halmi, Manager Anthony, Zoning Officer Terry Carcella, and Community Specialist Deborah Anthony. Visitors were Al Pernisek, Jason Hahr, Emily Ekstrand, Sam Richardson, Jeffrey Fox, Richard Scaletta, Deb Howard Greenleaf, Becky Okel, James Bucksbee, and Melodee Kushner.

AGENDA It was voted on motion by Stefano, second by Campbell, to approve the Agenda with the move of **APPROVAL** the Engineer's Report to the end of the Meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

COUNCIL MINUTES It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Feikles, to approve the Minutes of the November 15, 2011 Meeting as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT The following checks presented for approval: General Fund checks #13812-13814, Sewer Fund check #6192 and manual check #6140, and ADP Payroll checks #995,903-995,907, and 10000195. It was voted on motion by Campbell, second by Stefano, to approve all the checks as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT Manager Anthony gave a verbal report on the Woods Lift Station upgrades, the recent Heavy rains and their effect on the Township's sewer flows, and notified Council that he would be traveling to Pittsburgh, PA with the Township Solicitor and Engineer, and the Sewer Authority's Engineer to a Mediation Hearing for the Kranick litigation.

CORRESPONDENCE Manager Anthony presented the following correspondence: a letter from Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency informing Council of the receipt of two funding requests for housing development within Washington Township. Councilman Patterson expressed concerns regarding the letters of support that Council had previously sent for the two developments, stating the Council may not have control over tax concession requests from the two developers, as tax issues are settled at the County level. Councilman Patterson asked Council consider rescinding their letters of support for said developments. It was voted on motion by Patterson, second by Stefano, that no sewer/ water rate or tax leniency should be given to said developments. A discussion ensued, with the Manager stating that no such water/ sewer/ tax concessions have been presented to date. **Voting for** was Patterson, **voting against** was Glass, Feikles, Stefano and Campbell. **Motion died.**

ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT Zoning Officer Carcella had no subdivisions, but presented the Enforcement Report concerning the ongoing clean-up of trash at Willey's Mobile Home Park.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Halmi presented his preliminary feasibility study and costs for the proposed extension of sewer and water lines from General McLane School District's sewage treatment plant and water wells south to homes and businesses along Route 99 north of Edinboro. Members of the General McLane School Board and administrators were present for said presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEWER AUTHORITY Councilman Patterson presented the Minutes of the October 13, 2011 Meeting and the Flow Report.

EDINBORO LIASION Councilwoman Campbell gave a verbal report of the last meeting.

FIRE DEPT. No report.

WATERSHED ASSOC. No Meeting.

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OLD BUSINESS

EMA MINUTES Manager Anthony presented the Minutes of the November 4, 2011 Meeting. No action was required.

2012 BUDGET UPDATE Manager Anthony presented the draft Budget for Council's review. Council will hold a 2012 Budget Workshop on Wednesday, November 23, 2011.

LERTA UPDATE Manager Anthony presented the General McLane School District's draft ordinance defining LERTA districts. **It was voted** on motion by Glass, second by Campbell, to direct Manager Anthony to draft an ordinance for the Township's LERTA. **Voting in favor** were Glass, Stefano, Feikles, and Campbell. **Voting opposed** was Patterson. **Motion carried.**

AG SEC. UPDATE Manager Anthony presented the list of Agricultural security Committee members for Council's review. Mayor Glass appointed himself as Council representative to said Committee, and instructed Manager Anthony to contact the past members to see if they are willing to continue their service on said committee.

NEW BUSINESS

RES. #14-11 BERKHEIMER **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, seconded by Campbell, to approve **LIAISON** Resolution #14-11, Berkheimer Associates as Township Tax Collection Liaison, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

RES. #15-11 EIT **It was voted** on motion by Stefano, seconded by Feikles, to approve Resolution #15-11, **DEL. FEES** Berkheimer Associates as Township Tax Collection Liaison, as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

VISITORS None.

ADJOURNMENT **It was voted** on motion by Campbell, seconded by Feikles, to adjourn the Meeting at 6:19 P.M. **Motion carried unanimously.**