

**CLEARFIELD BOROUGH  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
July 17, 2014**

Clearfield Borough Council met in regular session on Thursday, July 17, 2014 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Clearfield Borough Building. President Wade Cowder called the meeting to order. President Wade Cowder held a moment of silence, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Heather Bozovich, Wade Cowder, Dave Gallaher, Jim Kling, Brian Lytle, Tim Winters

**ABSENT:** Lewis Duttry, Rick Stewart

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Borough Operations Manager Leslie Stott, Police Chief McGinnis, Fire Chief Todd Kling, Secretary Betsy Houser

**ABSENT:** Chip Bell, Solicitor, Mayor Jim Schell, Larry Mack

**MEDIA:** Theresa Dunlop, Gant Daily; Kim Finnigan; Dubois Courier, Wendy Lynn Brian, The Progress

President Cowder called for a Motion seeking approval of the minutes of the Borough Council Meeting held on June 19, 2014. **MOTION** was made by Tim Winters and seconded by Dave Gallaher. **MOTION** Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS: NONE**

**PUBLIC AUDIENCE:** Deb Gray

**REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** A copy of the Fire Department's report is on file.

**POLICE:** A copy of the Police Department's report is on file. Chief McGinnis reported 472 incidents from his report this month. He also asked for two police officers to go to West VA for training and will have more in the future.

**MAYOR:**  
None

**SOLICITOR:**  
None

**STREET DEPARTMENT:**  
None

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:**  
None

**ENGINEER:** Todd Banks said the crew is doing a very good job at Stinky Run. An emergency permit was needed from DEP to do that work, it is done, one condition after 30 days we have to submit to DEP as built to the system and after 90 days a GP11 needs submitted. The project is coming along. 36" pipes have been set, the wall has been poured today, and it is coming along. The finished road way grade is coming up on Daisy St. 4" to 6", some approach work will need to be done in both directions. If it looks humped, that is why. The daisy St Paving project is still awaiting executed documents from Jefferson Paving. The base repairs are completed. The Stinky Run needs to be completed then Jefferson Paving can come in. Todd Banks proceeded to start to open the bids that came in for the Phase II 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Project. First opened was Ameron, Bid of \$511,502.75 and Alternate of \$367,382.45 along with a bid bond, next bid was Glenn O Hawbaker, Bid of \$693,874.35 and alternate bid of \$693,194.35, next bid was BCS Construction, bid of \$457,931.18 with an alternate bid of \$469,018.68, Next bid was Horizon Construction with a base bid of \$363,500.00 and an alternate bid of \$353,000.00 along with a bid bond, next is M& B Service with a base bid of \$431,771.21 and alternate bid of \$408,757.68 along with bid bond. Next was a base bid from RH

Bailey, Philipsburg, of \$472,315.00 and alternate bid of \$427,670.00 along with bid bond. Last was WW Gilersleeve and Sons, they bid an alternate bid of \$426,813.00 along with bid bond. No base bid. That was the bids. Todd banks said Horizon was the apparent low. Todd Banks does not know Horizon personally. He will take everything back to his office and check and review, the math, the backgrounds, Les Stott asked to made a motion to accept the apparent low bid depending engineering reviews and all contractual obligations was made by Tim Winters, Les Stott asked if there was enough money, and yes Todd said the grant was \$450,000 with engineering fees there would be enough money. The **MOTION** was seconded by Brian Lytle. Also made a **MOTION** was made by Tim Winters to accept the base bid from Horizon, once again with contractual obligations met and engineering review. Brian Lytle seconded. **MOTION** carried.

#### **BOROUGH OPERATIONS MANAGER:**

Leslie Stott stated New Enterprise is starting 4<sup>th</sup> Street Friday. New Enterprise offered to truck the milling themselves up to the away to the hill. One of the crew members is working with New Enterprise. She commends our crew. There has been lots of water they are dealing with. She also mentioned Lower Witmer Park has been vandalized, the picnic tables have been torn apart, and 4 out of 5 tables have been vandalized and threw some parts in the river. She suggested new ones to be ordered from The Big House, they are heavy picnic tables. The Police Dept is watching to see who will be causing the vandalism, and they will be prosecuted to the fullest extent. There are signs up for hours, the park is closed from 9:00 pm to 6:00 Am., and this does not refer to a few late night fishermen. Dave Gallaher asked about lighting, Les Stott that vandals have climbed up and torn them apart. Les has even talked to neighbors regarding the vandalism and asking to keep an eye out, she thinks people are afraid too to call the Police Dept., she feels they are doing everything they can to catch them, and asked the media to help this situation.

Leslie said a lady called asked for the Nuisance Ordinance. She is concerned with the dog barking ordinance. She has a neighbor that has 5 dogs that bark, Jim Kling said she is in violation with State Laws, more than four require Kennel License. Les suggested her to call the Animal Control.

Les Stott also reminded everyone that the fair is coming up; she will help volunteer to work at the Fire Dept booth. She was asking for anyone else to volunteer. It is one way of giving back to them.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling, and seconded by Tim Winters to approve road closures and traffic control on October 11 for the CRC Pumpkin Run pending Penn Dott approval. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Tim Winters to approve road closures for the CRC Fall Festival on October 10-11. **MOTION** carried.

##### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

None

##### **PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

**MOTION** was made by Tim Winters and seconded by Jim Kling to have solicitor prepare the amendment to the Downtown Business District Ordinance. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Dave Gallaher and seconded by Tim Winters to have solicitor prepare the ordinance to make Water Street from Market to Locust one way and Locust Street from Water to Front Street one way. Jim Kling asked when will it take effect, and Les Stott answered it will take awhile to prepare including advertisement, Jim Kling remarked if all tenants have vacated Water St.? And Les Stott said currently Aug. 8 is the new date, and that this is just to prepare it. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Dave Gallaher and seconded by Tim Winters to approve to transfer \$12,296.24 of 2011 administration funding to 2011 Daisy Street Improvements activity. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Dave Gallaher and seconded by Jim Kling to approve the resolution approving the request for the transfer of Liquor License for Lance and Evelyn Benton with Bucks pizza. This is only changes needed by the Liquor Control Board to the original resolution. **MOTION** carried.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Heather Bozovich to increase to the wage rate of Betsy Houser to \$13.46/hr. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Jim Kling and seconded by Tim Winters to approve to send Officer Shawn Fye and Officer Daniel Podliski to less than lethal training on Sept. 22-25 in Bruceton Mills, WV. The training will coast \$795 per officer plus motel, meals, and mileage. **MOTION** carried.

The new dates to meet with the unions 7/23 Teamster-Police-Wednesday, at 11:00  
AFSCME – Street Wednesday TBA

Leslie stated that this was a meet and greet and to discuss what they had on proposal, so both sides can prepare appropriate information so the vote will be clearer to be voted on. Her name is Robin from AFSCME. The Teamster appointment is rescheduled for Wednesday with Carl. Leslie feels every officer should be there to meet, it is very worthwhile.

**FINANCE:**

**MOTION** was made by Dave Gallaher and seconded by Heather Bozovich to approve the June bill list for payment. **MOTION** Carried. Tim Winters abstained; his company is on the list.

**MOTION** was made by Tim Winters and seconded by Dave Gallaher to approve the resolution number 07-2014 to apply for County aid to subsidize liquid fuels. **MOTION** carried.

**MOTION** was made by Tim Winters and seconded by Heather Bozovich to approve the resolution for the grant application for the Impaired Driving Program. **MOTION** carried.

**REMINDERS and CORRESPONDENCE**

Tim Winters mentioned that Nat Curry does a great job with I.D.P.

Les Stott said there was a fantastic picture of the Fire Dept and Police Dept in the Progress the other night.

Jim Kling asked where we were at with the Civil Service Committee. Les said once Chip gets back in from sugery he will address this. A lot of the questions are referencing a lot of time writing rules and regulations into new hires, and less effort in promotions, when Les called to get the testing, the tests were \$100 with suggested 7 books between \$50 and \$100 a piece, we need to find out are we compelled to do this or are there guide lines of, it seemed based on our history it's been overkill, to hire new hire at \$15 with no books. Answers could be ready. Chip would only be out one week. Then we should have our answers for our August meeting. Jim Kling said it has been too long of a time for this. Jim Kling also added to old business, where were we at for the Fire Dept parking? Les Stott answered that she had Curry and Associates come and mark the 2 pin-placement with ribbon between the Church and the Fire Hall. Fred Long and her went over and measured and feel confident that they can get two spots for them with width and length to make them happy. From the sidewalk to the base of their porch. If you went to the other building you could not get the fire truck out. Mr. Winters will make the signs. The meter heads will come down when the signs are made. Tim Winters said it will be done by the end of summer. Tim Winters said a lot of this could have been avoided if the lines were repainted back at the time. Dave Gallaher asked if there was any date established for the tar and chipping. Les said she feels they will come in when they come in and do the CDBG. She mentioned that she had an interesting conversation that milled roads should only have one layer of tar and chip, especially in residential areas, because more than one coat does make some stickiness. Jefferson Paving has been doing this for years.

Council adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Submitted By:

Betsy Houser, Borough Secretary/Administrative Assistant