

Atglen Borough Council
Business Meeting
December 5, 2011

President Dirk Hagen called the meeting of the Atglen Borough Council to order Monday, December 5, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall. Pres. Hagen announced Council will recess to an executive meeting to discuss personnel matters at conclusion of the agenda. The following members were present:

Carol McGrath	Nancy Pelet	Larry Lavenberg
Absent:	Mike Brock	Mayor Wes Vincent

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Public Works Managers' Report: Bryan reported on the heavy rainfall and flooding in the Borough causing increased sewer flows. The sand bed project went out to bid and 6 contractors visited the site December 1 & 2 for information. Bid opening is scheduled December 8th at 1:00 PM. Becker Engineering working with Brian Campbell's engineers concerning new well location and easements.

Bill Hunter's timbering update advises that it is near completion and no evidence of damage on neighboring properties. Seeding of ground and cleanup of road will be done when job is finished.

REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA:

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Approve Minutes, Treasurers Report, and Bills & Review Department/Advisory Reports:**
A motion by Lavenberg/Pelet to approve minutes, treasurers' report, pay all bills and accept the department/advisory board reports was approved by all members.
- B. 2012 Preliminary Budget & Tax Ordinance 466-2011:** Budget was advertised and available for public inspection. A motion to adopt Budget and Tax Ordinance increasing to 5.10 mills was made by Lavenberg/McGrath with all members in agreement.
- C. Zoning Ordinance Update:** Borough received County Planning Commission agreement for a Vision Partnership Grant to update the Zoning Ordinance. The project will involve a 2 year review period at a cost of \$12,000. Wednesday monthly meetings will likely begin in March 2012. Review committee will include Planning Commission and Council members.
- D. Fire Company:** A motion by Lavenberg/McGrath to table the request of \$750.00 from the Fire Company to purchase a wishing well and set a piece of steel from the twin towers until January of 2013 was agreed on by all members.
- E. Request for Proposal to demolish drying beds:** A motion by Lavenberg/Pelet to open bids on Thursday, December 8th and award project to lowest bidder was agreed on by all members.
- F. Professional Fees:** A motion to approve Rate Schedule for Becker Engineer, ELA Group and Conrad Obrien was made by McGrath/Lavenberg and agreed on by all members. 2012 rates for Becker & ELA remain the same. Borough Solicitor's rate increased \$10 per hour to \$160.00.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. **Act 537:** The Draft Plan was approved by DEP. Waiting for comments from County Planning and Health Dept.
- B. **Act 32 - Earned Income Tax-Ordinance 467-2011:** Special Council Meeting Wednesday, December 21 @ 9:15 A.M. Also a new representative for the region is needed to serve on the Executive Committee of the Lancaster Tax Bureau.
- C. **General Obligation Bond:** December 1st interest payment of \$73,325.34. Received \$32,996.40 tax credit November 15th.
- D. **Chetty Property:** Discussed building permit refusal and demolition.
- E. **Old Gap Newport Bridge:** PPL private status letter issued. Private status is perpetual for the specified pole located in the Borough Right-of-way.
- F. **January Meeting:** Meeting will be held Monday, January 2nd, 2012.

RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE MEETING: 8:50 P.M.

RECONVENE 9:00 P.M.

A motion by Lavenberg/McGrath for Borough Manager to take fulltime employees to lunch for Christmas and give each employee a \$100 bonus was agreed on by all members.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McGrath, Recording Secretary