

Atglen Borough Council

Business Meeting

January 2, 2012

President Dirk Hagen called the meeting of the Atglen Borough Council to order Monday, January 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall. The following members were present

Carol McGrath Nancy Pelet Larry Lavenberg Mike Brock

Absent: Mayor Wes Vincent

REGULAR BUSINESS:

Public Works Managers' Report: Bryan reported that Four Seasons Landscaping Company was awarded the bid for sand bed demo project. The storage trailer was relocated to our storage yard off Swan Road and the area is clear and ready for demolishing. Becker Engineering made a well easement plan for Brian Campbell to review. After their review the plan will go to the County for agreement. The 1997 GMC pick-up needs major brake work and we are looking for replacement.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS: Items that require a motion, second, discussion and vote

Reorganization of Council: Dirk Hagen and Mike Brock were sworn in for Council positions. Councilperson Carol McGrath asked for nominations for President with Larry Lavenberg nominating Dirk Hagen. Nancy Pelet then nominated Larry Lavenberg for vice-president. All members agreed on nominations.

Annual Appointments: A motion by Lavenberg/Pelet to appoint the following was agreed on by all members:

Manager, Sec/Treasurer - P. Gail Murphy
Engineers - ELA Group & Dan Becker
Depositories - Fulton Bank
Solicitor - Conrad, O'Brien Gellman & Rohn, P.C.
Building & Zoning Officer - Bill Beers
Code Inspection - Commonwealth Code Inspection
Emergency Management - Al Manning

Emergency Services Resolution #468-12: A motion by Lavenberg/Pelet to designate the Atglen Fire Company and the Christiana Ambulance Association as Emergency Service Providers. Motion agreed on by all members.

Timber Harvest: Letter from DCNR was forwarded to West Sadsbury Township Officials. No reply has been received by Atglen Borough. Everyone agrees and accepts the DCNR communication and doesn't see the need to meet with West Sadsbury officials.

Chetty Liberty Street Property: A motion by Lavenberg/Brock for Manager to send letter to Mr. Chetty to adhere to the previous deadline issued by Borough. Inspection to be completed by February 6, 2012 with plans and/or demolished or borough will continue with condemnation procedure.

Fire Company Consolidation: Following a lengthy discussion including the decision of the Atglen Fire Company to participate in the Consolidation, a motion by Lavenberg/McGrath to decline joining the Fire Company Consolidation was agreed on by all members. Based on the current information, there is no compelling evidence or benefit for joining the Consolidation.

Council previously pledged to thoroughly evaluate alternatives along with considering Consolidation and reaching out to neighboring Christiana Fire Company. Although Christiana was not looking to expand their territory they were open to providing services for the safety of our community. A future gathering to collect information including questioning, inquiring and learning about their operation will be scheduled. The facilitator of the Consolidation will be contacted regarding Council's decision not to participate and the Borough will also reach out to the Atglen Fire Chief to bring him up to date.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Train Station: A meeting's scheduled in the Borough office with County officials and Septa to kick off the feasibility study Friday, January 20th @ 9:30 A.M.

Demolition of Drying Beds: 7 bids were received with low bid award to Four Seasons landscaping in the amount of \$13,825.00. Bids ranged from \$13,825 to \$57,740.

Old Gap Newport Bridge: Borough received business partner approval with PennDot and is waiting for PPL contract.

Act 537: Waiting for the County Planning and Health Department comments.

Zoning Ordinance Update: Borough Manager executed contract with the County. Borough responsibility \$12,000.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McGrath, Recording Secretary