

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2011
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PRE-MEETING 6:30 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

COUNCIL PRESENT: JIM PORTER, DON GILLESPIE, AL ATKINSON, JACK VARLEY,
JAMES MACHAJEWSKI, POLLY GRIMPE , EDWARD WIRKOWSKI
ENGINEER PHIL HERMAN
SOLICITOR MIKE WITHEREL

ABSENT: MAYOR CINSKI

1. THE MANAGER STATED THAT MAYOR CINSKI RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF DOM COSTA REQUESTING THE USE OUR OFFICE FOR 2 HOURS TWICE A MONTH TO REACH OUT TO CONSTITUENTS WHO MAY NEED ASSISTANCE. AGREED 7/0
2. THE MANAGER STATED THAT WE HAD TO ORDER THE RAIN BARRELS BEFORE THE COUNCIL MEETING. WE HAD TALKED ABOUT THIS PREVIOUSLY. THE COST WAS \$50.00. COUNCIL AGREED 7/0.
3. THE MANAGER STATED THAT MILLVALE RECEIVED THE GRANT FROM G-TECH FOR THE RAIN GARDEN. THEY LOOKED THRU TOWN AND DECIDED THAT AT THE EDGE OF THE PARKING LOT BEHIND PNC BANK WOULD BE THE BEST LOCATION. WE NEED TO AGREE TO THIS FOR THEM TO START DESIGN. AGREED BY COUNCIL 7/0.
4. OUR GARDENS OF MILLVALE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 17,000. TO DO MORE WORK ON THE GARDENS THIS YEAR. THE MONEY IS TO ADD FILL TO THE SITES, CREATE MORE GARDEN PLOTS, PLANT TREES AND PUT IN BERRY BUSHES. THE GRANT DOES NOT ALLOW FOR US TO HIRE ANY EXCAVATORS, THEREFORE WE WILL HAVE TO USE OUR CREW TO LEVEL THE PROPERTY AND SPREAD THE DIRT. COUNCIL AGREED 7/0
5. WE HAD SOME VANDALISM AT THE PAVILION AT THE RIVERFRONT AND WE ARE GOING TO INSTALL MORE LIGHTING AND THE MANGER WAS TOLD TO LOOK INTO OTHER SECURITY MEASURES. AGREED 7/0
6. CHIEF MILLER ASKED IF WE COULD PAINT A YELLOW LINE ON EMMA STREET BECAUSE A SCHOOL BUS CAN NOT MAKE THE TURN. AGREED 7/0
7. CHIEF MILLER ASKED IF WE COULD INSTALL TWO NO PARKING BETWEEN SIGNS ON PATRICK STREET FOR A RESIDENT WHO CAN NOT GET OUT OF HIS DRIVEWAY. AGREED 7/0
8. THE MAYOR HAD SEVERAL COMPLAINTS ABOUT PEOPLE SOLICITING AT NIGHT. THE MANAGER ASKED ABOUT GETTING STICKERS FOR RESIDENTS TO PLACE ON THEIR WINDOWS OR DOORS SAYING NO SOLICITATION. WAS TOLD TO LOOK INTO THE PRICE FOR NEXT MEETING.
9. THE MANAGER ASKED IF SHE COULD ATTEND AND IF ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED TO ATTEND THE DEP FLOOD WORKSHOP IN STATE COLLEGE. AGREED 7/0
10. THE COUNCIL AGREED 7/0 TO A SHADE COMMITTEE BEING FORMED INSTEAD OF A SHADE TREE COMMISSION.
11. DOM COSTA SENT THE BOROUGH SOME INFORMATION ON THE TOBACCO FREE PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS. IT WAS AGREED 7/0 TO PUT SOME SIGNS UP AT MCCARTHY PARK AND THE BALL FIELD.
12. THE MANAGER ASKED IF COUNCIL WAS IN AGREEMENT TO PUT THE NAMES OF DELINQUENT TAX PAYERS IN THE BOROUGH NEWSLETTER. AGREED 7/0

EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM 7:55 TO 8:10 PERSONNEL

THE MARCH 8, 2011 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 8:10 PM BY PRESIDENT JIM PORTER, THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE MEETING WAS BEING TAPED.

ROLL CALL: COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT – JIM PORTER, DON GILLESPIE, AL ATKINSON, JACK VARLEY, POLLY GRIMPE, JIM MACHAJEWSKI, EDWARD WIRKOWSKI

OTHERS PRESENT: SOLICITOR MIKE WITHEREL, ENGINEER-PHIL HERMAN

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ABSENT: MAYOR CINSKI

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL AND ALL BOROUGH OFFICIALS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 8, 2011 A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT THOSE MINUTES WITHOUT CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, ADDITIONS OR OBJECTIONS.

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE
ROLL CALL VOTE: 7/0

SECOND: AL ATKINSON

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

DEBBIE BLAKELY FROM STANTON AVENUE COMPLAINED ABOUT THE ABANDONED PROPERTY NEXT TO HER AND THE FACT THAT SHE HAS TAKEN CARE OF IT FOR YEARS, BUT HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO ACQUIRE IT. SHE BELIEVED THAT IT WAS THE BOROUGH'S FAULT. SHE WAS TOLD THAT WE DON'T OWN THE PROPERTY BUT THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF NEW LAWS WHICH JUST RECENTLY CAME ABOUT AND THAT WE HAVE FORMED AND ABANDONED PROPERTY COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO THESE ALONG WITH OUR SOLICITOR AND WE WOULD TRY AND WORK WITH HER TO GET THIS PROPERTY.

MIKE HEINEL A CANDIDATE WHO IS RUNNING FOR OUR AREA DISTRICT MAGISTRATE CAME TO THE MEETING TO INTRODUCE HIMSELF TO COUNCIL.

BOROUGH MANAGER WILL READ MONTHLY REPORTS:

REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY

CURRENT	\$	2,352.24
DELINQUENT	\$	2,920.00
OTHER/TAX LICENSE	\$	2,299.49
COMMISSION PAID	\$	378.58

WAGE TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY

CURRENT	\$	50,895.95
DELINQUENT	\$	4,389.37
COMMISSION COLLECTED	\$	219.46

<u>DISTRICT JUSTICE FEE FOR FEBRUARY</u>	\$	2,879.63
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<u>ANIMAL CONTROL FEE FOR FEBRUARY</u>	\$	410.00
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A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT ALL REPORTS AS READ

MOTION: ED WIRKOWSKI
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: POLLY GRIMPE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE (JIM PORTER): NONE

PUBLIC SAFETY (JIM PORTER): CHIEF MILLER STATED THAT THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 402 CALLS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 77 TRAFFIC OR NON TRAFFIC CITATIONS, 26 ARRESTS FOR SIMPLE ASSAULT AND DUI'S

HANDICAP COMMITTEE (DON GILLESPIE): ONE NEW APPLICATION

RECREATION COMMITTEE (AL ATKINSON) EGG HUNT

PENSION (AL ATKINSON): NO CHANGE

BOROUGH/PUBLIC PROPERTY & PERSONNEL – (DON GILLESPIE): HIRED JIM TUNSTALL

PUBLIC WORKS (JIM PORTER) NONE

ABANDONED PROPERTIES (POLLY GRIMPE) OFF AND RUNNING GATHERING INFORMATION

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

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ORDINANCES: NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

ENGINEER'S REPORT: MARCH 2011

1. NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM
 - 10 DEMOLITIONS - LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING, COMPLETE
 - FENCING AND GUIDE RAIL TO BE INSTALLED
2. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURES AND TOURISM FUND ROUND 2
 - APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED ONLY FROM MARCH 1 TO APRIL 29, 2011
APPLICATIONS TO INCLUDE:
STANTON AVENUE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION
NORTH AVENUE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION
3. CD YEAR 36
 - EMERGENCY WALL REPAIR: COMPLETE. BACKFILL OF CURB REMAINS INCOMPLETE
4. CD YEAR 37
 - FULL-APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED, PROJECTS INCLUDE:
DEMOLITIONS: 100 LIPPERT, 108 MARYLAND AND 243 SIEGEL APPROVED
 - STAGE AT GAPP PARK FUNDING APPROVED
AWAITING NOTICE TO PROCEED
5. NBIS BRIDGE INSPECTIONS
 - SOLICITATION REQUIRED
 - RESOLUTION AND ADVERTISEMENT SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: GAVE HIS REPORT DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE TOTAL CHECKS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY THE AMOUNT OF \$226,294.45 AND THE CURRENT INVOICES UP TO TODAY'S DATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,742.38 A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO PAY ALL INVOICES WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

MOTION: JIM MACHAJEWSKI
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: AL ATKINSON

MAYOR'S REPORT- ABSENT

FIRE DEPT REPORT- JIM MACHAJEWSKI –THE FIRE DEPT HAD 20 CALLS IN FEBRUARY THEY HAD 7 STRUCTURE FIRES, 3 CONTAINMENTS, 3 FIRE ALARMS, 5 GAS CONDITION 1 VEHICLE FIRE

A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT WAS REQUESTED:

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE
VOICE VOTE 7/0

SECOND: POLLY GRIMPE

TIME: 8:35

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

VIRGINIA N. PUCCI, BOROUGH MANAGER

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