

A special meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, September 15, 2008, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor Dan Knorr; Council Members Paul Houseknecht, Diane Levan, Kathy Shepperson, Sylvia Costa and W. Carey Howell; Town Administrator Carol Mas, Code Enforcement/Zoning/ Planning Officer Ed Fegley; Chief of Police Leo Sokoloski; Superintendent of Public Works John Barton and Recycling Administrator Charles Fritz. Absent was Council Member Paul Kinney.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 914 – DETERMINING TO INCUR DEBT IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000, TO BE AUTHORIZED AND ISSUED BY THE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, Council adopted Ordinance No. 914 determining to incur debt in the amount not to exceed \$15,000,000; determining that such debt shall be incurred as lease rental debt to be evidenced by two series of guaranteed sewer revenue notes, a series in 2008 and a series in 2009, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000, to be authorized and to be issued by Municipal Authority of the Town of Bloomsburg; briefly describing the project for which said debt is to be incurred and specifying the realistic useful life of said project; authorizing and directing the mayor of this town and the secretary or assistant secretary of this town to prepare, verify and file, as applicable, the debt statement and other appropriate documents required by the local government unit debt act, 53 pa. c.s. § 8001 et seq., as amended and supplemented, and, upon receipt of approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, to execute, attest, acknowledge and deliver, as applicable and appropriate guaranty agreements with respect to aforesaid guaranteed sewer revenue notes; approving the forms of said guaranty agreements; guaranteeing payment of the principal of and interest on aforesaid guaranteed sewer revenue notes and making certain covenants with respect thereto; specifying the maximum amount of the guaranty obligations of this town pursuant to such guaranty agreements; pledging the full faith, credit and taxing power of this town with respect to the guaranty agreements; authorizing proper officers of this town to execute all required, necessary or desirable certificates and documents in connection with said lease rental debt and the project; authorizing proper officers of this town to take all other required, necessary or desirable action in connection with such project and the execution and delivery of said guaranty agreements; providing for the effective date of this ordinance; providing for the severability of provisions of this ordinance; and providing for the repeal of all inconsistent ordinances or resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions.

APPROVAL OF BID FROM HRI, INC. FOR OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL AT BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

On a motion by K. Shepperson, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, Council approved the bid from HRI, Inc. in the amount of \$380,695.15 for obstruction removal at the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport contingent upon receiving approval by property owners for those obstructions not on town-owned property. The award included the Base Bid in the amount of \$257,540.40, Alternate #1 Bid of \$102,676.75 and Alternate #2 Bid of \$20,478.00.

APPROVAL OF TOWN EMPLOYEES AND POLICE PENSION PLAN MINIMUM MUNICIPAL OBLIGATION FOR 2009

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, Council approved the Town Employees Pension Plan Minimum Municipal Obligation for 2009 in the amount of \$104,881 of which the municipal obligation equals \$11,907 and for the Police Pension Plan in the amount of \$129,831 of which the estimated municipal obligation equals \$27,239.

APPROVAL OF PPL ELECTRIC UTILITIES PHASE-IN PLAN

On a motion by P. Houseknecht, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved participating in PPL Electric Utilities phase-in-plan whereby an additional amount would be added to the monthly utility bill and applied to the higher payments expected in 2010 when deregulation of the utility takes place. PPL will apply 6% interest to all pre-payments.

APPROVAL OF ED FEGLEY AND RALPH MAGILL TO ATTEND SOFTWARE TRAINING

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved Ed Fegley and Ralph Magill to attend a Blackbear Systems URSA Software training session in Pittsburgh from September 24th through September 26th at an estimated cost of \$1,500.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned into a Budget Workshop at 5:35 p.m. after which an Executive Session was held to discuss the purchase of real estate.

CAROL L. MAS
Town Administrator & Secretary