

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, November 24, 2008, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor Dan Knorr; Council Members Paul Kinney, Paul Houseknecht, Diane Levan, Kathy Shepperson, Sylvia Costa and W. Carey Howell; Town Administrator Carol Mas and Fire Chief High Gross.

#### APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 10, 2008 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved the November 10, 2008 Council meeting minutes with no additions or corrections.

#### MAYOR'S UPDATE

Mayor Knorr informed Council that the arbitration appeal for the police union was negotiated the preceding Friday which allowed for pension contributions for 2008 to remain at 5% as of October 1, 2008. Contributions for 2009 were set at 3%. Contributions for 2010 will be calculated by the actuary but will not exceed 3%.

He also announced that the town received a grant from DCNR towards the cost of the new tennis courts at Town Park. This project is fully funded.

#### APPROVAL OF HIRING KIM ELKO AS A FULL-TIME TEMPORARY FINANCE CLERK

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by S. Costa and voted on Six (6) (C. Howell, S. Costa, D. Knorr, P. Kinney, P. Houseknecht and D. Levan voting "Yes") to One (1) (K. Shepperson voting "No"), Council approved hiring Kim Elko as a temporary full-time finance clerk at a rate of \$12.00 per hour effective after notice is given to her current employer.

#### APPROVAL OF EXTENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved a six-month leave of absence for Finance Specialist Heather Jacoby as of November 20, 2008.

#### APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING A CHAPTER 15 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Houseknecht and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising an ordinance amendment to Chapter 15 updating designated sections of the ordinance.

#### APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING A PERMIT PARKING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising an amendment to Chapter 15, Part 8 which would not allow resident or guest parking permits where off-street parking spaces are required. D. Levan noticed the ordinance did not stipulate year-round enforcement which will be brought to the attention of the solicitor.

#### APPROVAL OF FIRE DEPARTMENT TAKING RESCUE TRUCK TO MONTOURSVILLE

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the Fire Department to take the rescue truck to the Spitler Ambulance and Rescue Open House in Montoursville, PA, on December 9, 2008.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7: 30pm.

CAROL L. MAS  
Town Administrator & Secretary