

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, June 14, 2010, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 301 East Second Street, Bloomsburg, PA. Present were Mayor Dan Knorr; Council Members Diane Levan, Paul Kinney, Kathy Shepperson, Sylvia Costa, W. Carey Howell and Bill Kreisher; Town Administrator Carol Mas; Finance Specialist Theresa Baylor; Code Enforcement and Zoning /Planning Officer Ed Fegley; Superintendent of Public Works John Barton; Fire Chief Bob Rupp and Office Assistant Amy Seamans. Absent were Chief of Police Leo Sokoloski; Recycling Administrator Charles Fritz and Solicitor Jack Mihalik.

CITIZEN TO BE HEARD – ANGELA PRUCHNIK, BERRIGAN’S SUBS

Angela Pruchnik, owner of Berrigan’s Subs, was present to ask permission to place tables and chairs in front of the business located at 142 East Main Street. Ms. Pruchnik stated she has read the right-of-way guidelines and understands where she is allowed to place tables and chairs. She asked Council to please consider either one (1) four top table or two (2) two top tables. On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on unanimously, Council approved Angela Pruchnik to place two (2) tables with two (2) chairs each within the right-of-way in front of Berrigan’s Subs at 142 East Main Street.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 929 – AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN FORCE IN THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG AS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 15 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council adopted Ordinance No. 929 amending the following sections of the motor vehicle and traffic regulations in force in the Town of Bloomsburg as set forth in Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances: parking regulations, off-street metered parking, unmetered parking, authorized parking by permit placard in public parking lots and permit parking.

MAYOR’S UPDATE

Mayor Knorr reviewed the upcoming meetings scheduled for next week.

APPROVAL OF MAY 24, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the May 24, 2010 Council meeting minutes with no additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND MAY PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment of the following monthly bills and the May payroll authorization: General Fund, \$102,001.28; Debt Service Fund, \$89,428.37; Recycling Fund, \$22,586.37; Street Lighting Fund, \$14,630.07; Norris E. Rock Memorial Pool, \$5,431.33; Capital Projects, \$520.00; FFY 09 CDBG Program, \$7,374.00; Day Care Project, \$3,562.00; Airport Expansion Project, \$152,410.26; Liquid Fuels, \$1,057.82 and the May payroll authorization in the amount of \$158,920.16.

APPROVAL OF ADDITION TO TOWN VENDOR LIST

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved adding the following vendors to the town vendor list: CL Trading, LLC, Randi Fetterman and Got Trash.

APPROVAL OF UNION NEGOTIATION TEAMS

On a motion by B. Kreisher, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council approved the following union negotiation teams: Police Contract – Pat Harvey, Esq. (Interest Arbitrator), Vijay Kapoor (Interest Arbitration Statistician), Richard Manfredi and Carol Mas (Negotiation Team) – Public Works/Recycling Contract-Richard Goldberg, Esq. and Carol Mas (Negotiation Team).

APPROVAL OF CLOSING CLINTON AVENUE BETWEEN EAST THIRD STREET AND PINE AVENUE

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved closing Clinton Avenue between East Third Street and Pine Avenue effective immediately through August 15, 2010 at the request of the Columbia County Housing Corporation.

APPROVAL OF POLICE DEPARTMENT SOCIAL NETWORKING AND INTERNET USAGE POLICY

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on unanimously, Council approved a social networking and internet usage policy for the Bloomsburg Police Department.

APPROVAL OF EXPANDING PARKING AND TURN AROUND AREA AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

On a motion by B. Kreisher, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved expanding the parking and turn around area at the Recycling Center in the amount of \$15,449.00 with the Public Works Department doing most of the work. It was noted that this project was budgeted.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO PETERS CONSULTANTS, INC FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PHASE IV MAIN STREET LIGHTING PROJECT

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment to Peters Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$982.50 for the Phase IV Main Street Lighting Project using CDBG program funds.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF 9.0L ENGINE FROM JASPER ENGINES AND TRANSMISSIONS EXCHANGE, INC. FOR 1986 INTERNATIONAL

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the purchase of a 9.0L engine from Jasper Engines and Transmissions Exchange, Inc. in the amount of \$7,041.00 for the 1986 International. It was noted that this item was budgeted.

APPROVAL OF EASEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG AND KAWNEER COMPANY, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION AND FUTURE MAINTENANCE OF EMERGENCY ACCESS DRIVEWAY WITH CONTINGENCY

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved an easement agreement between the Town of Bloomsburg and Kawneer Company, Inc. for the construction and future maintenance of an emergency access driveway for Kawneer's Flood Protection Project contingent upon the minor discrepancies on the exhibits being corrected by Larson Design Group, Kawneer's engineer.

APPROVAL OF EASEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG AND COLUMBIA COUNTY FOR KAWNEER'S FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved an easement agreement between the Town of Bloomsburg and Columbia County for construction and future maintenance easement #1/airport area, temporary construction easement for the construction of drainage facilities, drainage easement #1/airport area, drainage easement #2/outlet structure and obstruction light operation and maintenance easement/airport area for Kawneer's Flood Protection Project contingent upon the minor discrepancies on the exhibits being corrected by Kawneer's engineer, Larson Design Group, and the text for the drainage easement being reviewed between Larson Design Group and L. Robert Kimball, the town's airport engineer, directly and a consensus reached for approval.

APPROVAL OF ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF FORMER MUELLER/KRAUSE AND LEIBY PROPERTIES

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved advertising for bids for the demolition of the former Mueller/Krause (old mill) and Leiby properties.

TOWN HALL ENTRANCE STEPS DISCUSSION

Mayor Knorr stated that the replacement of the Town Hall entrance steps was a budgeted maintenance and repair expense. There was no discussion at a committee meeting or HARB approval because the plan was to remove both sets of deteriorating steps and railings and replace them as they were. When Press Enterprise reporter Peter Kendron contacted the Mayor to ask why a set of steps was being replaced that lead to a window, Mayor Knorr had the matter placed on the Public Works Committee agenda for discussion. After some discussion, Mayor Knorr and Council Members directed J. Barton to have the steps that lead to the Town Hall entrance door finished as soon as possible and not to replace the other set of steps at this time. Suggestions for the area of the second set of steps were planting a tree, possibly an evergreen because a Christmas tree has always been placed in this location; moving the Town Hall sign back into this area and having just a planting area or just having the area cemented. Mayor Knorr asked J. Barton to draw up some ideas so they could both present them at the June 23rd Historic Architectural Review Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT NO. 2 TO DON E. BOWER, INC. FOR PHASE IV OF THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT EXTENSION AND REALIGNMENT PROJECT

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved payment No. 2 to Don E. Bower, Inc. in the amount of \$161,090.95 for Phase IV of the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport Extension and Realignment Project.

APPROVAL OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE FOR JOSEPH FENSTERMACHER

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council approved a handicapped parking space for Joseph Fenstermacher of 620 East Second Street.

APPROVAL OF WAIVING BUILDING PERMIT FEE FOR MATT SOKOLOSKI TO INSTALL A HANDICAP RAMP AT WINONA FOOD CUPBOARD

On a motion by B. Kreisher, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council approved waiving the building permit fee for Matt Sokoloski to install a handicap ramp at Winona Food Cupboard as his Eagle Scout Project.

APPROVAL OF WAIVING BUILDING PERMIT FEE FOR BLOOMSBURG LITTLE LEAGUE TO
INSTALL NEW SCOREBOARD

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on Six (6) (C. Howell, K. Shepperson, D. Knorr, P. Kinney, S. Costa and B. Kreisher voting “Yes”) to One (1) Abstention (D. Levan “Abstaining”), Council approved waiving the building permit fee for Bloomsburg Little League to install a new scoreboard.

APPROVAL OF RELEASING REMAINING FINANCIAL SECURITY FOR 500 CLUB
APARTMENTS PROJECT

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved releasing the remaining financial security for 500 Club Apartments project.

APPROVAL OF FREE PARKING ON MAIN STREET WITH TWO-HOUR PARKING LIMIT
ENFORCED FOR ANNUAL SIDEWALK SALES

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved free parking on Main Street with the two-hour parking limit enforced for the annual sidewalk sales on July 8-10, 2010.

DOWNTOWN BLOOMSBURG, INC. REPORT

Downtown Manager Megan Hummel expressed that the Gridlock is scheduled for Saturday, August 14th, ArtFest will be August 21st and 22nd and Matt Gilbert will again host Movie Night on Saturday night, August 21st.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

CAROL L. MAS
Town Administrator & Secretary