

A regular meeting of Bloomsburg Town Council was held Monday, July 13, 2009, 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, Sylvia Costa, Kathy Shepperson, W. Carey Howell and Bill Kreisher; Town Administrator Carol Mas; Finance Specialist Theresa Baylor; Code Enforcement/Zoning/Planning Officer Ed Fegley; Chief of Police Leo Sokoloski; Superintendent of Public Works John Barton; Recycling Administrator Charles Fritz and Office Assistant Amy Seamans. Absent were Fire Chief Hugh Gross and Solicitor Jack Mihalik.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 922 – AMENDING CHAPTER 1, PART 6 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF BLOOMSBURG RELATING TO POLICE PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council adopted Ordinance No. 922 amending Chapter 1, Part 6 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Bloomsburg relating to police pensions and retirement.

MAYOR’S UPDATE

Mayor Knorr briefly reviewed the current budget by department through June 30, 2009 and summarized the 2008 audit. The Administrative/Finance Committee will meet with employees in August to receive cost saving input for their respective department. A Parking Study Execution Task Force has been formed and the members will be Debbie Brennan, Alex Dubil, Jr., Matt Zoppetti, John Barton, Elise Hughes and Kathy Shepperson. Madagascar II will be the movie shown at the Community Movie Night on July 23rd.

For the record, Mayor Knorr noted that the committee members of the Bloomsburg Community Garden Committee are: Michelle Hintz, coordinator; Amanda Schell-McGaw, Treasurer; Dave Yablonski, Secretary; Dana Creasy, Town Liaison; Carrie Vitko, Newsletter Editor and Cristina Mathews.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 8, 2009 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved the June 8, 2009 Council meeting minutes with no additions or corrections.

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS AND JUNE 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 June payroll authorization: General Fund, \$98,733.88; Recycling Fund, \$14,159.25; Library Fund, \$20,000.00; Street Lighting Fund, \$7,995.82; Norris E. Rock Memorial Pool, \$9,351.40; Capital Projects, \$8,943.00; Day Care Project, \$3,562.00; Airport Expansion Project, \$25,759.97; Liquid Fuels, \$7,446.14 and the June payroll authorization in the amount of \$175,212.60.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF RECYCLING IDENTIFICATION LABELS

On a motion by C. Howell, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the purchase of 1000 recycling identification labels in the amount of \$612.00 from Bird Printing.

APPROVAL OF RELOCATION OF NATURAL GAS LINE AT RECYCLING CENTER

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by C. Howell and voted on unanimously, Council approved the relocation of a natural gas line by UGI at the Recycling Center in the amount of \$3,284.99 with grant funds. The gas line is being relocated so the new scale can be installed.

APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS TO TOWN VENDOR LIST

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved adding the following companies to the Town Vendor List: Bloomsburg Metal Company, Lowe's, HRG, Inc., Highway Equipment Supply and EDM Publishers.

ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT NOTICE OF HARRY ROGERS FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT

On a motion by K. Shepperson, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council accepted the retirement notice of Harry Rogers from the Police Department effective September 4, 2009 with his last working day as July 24, 2009.

APPOINTMENT OF SUSAN STEMONT TO BLOOMSBURG SHADE TREE COMMISSION

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council appointed Susan Stemont to the Bloomsburg Shade Tree Commission with a term expiring on December 31, 2010.

APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a certificate of appropriateness for Ethan and Deborah Krupp to install a wooden fence at 339 Market Street.

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council approved a certificate of appropriateness for David Ferro to rebuild two porch roofs at the rear of 138-140 Murray Avenue.

DENIAL OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on unanimously and on the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board, Council denied a certificate of appropriateness for Aaron Snyder of 133 East Fifth Street to construct a garage due to no representative being present to provide information regarding the application.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT GRINDER BELT

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved the purchase of a replacement grinder belt from Highway Equipment Supply Co. in the amount of \$2,189.00 plus shipping.

APPROVAL OF REPLACING A SHINGLED ROOF AT THE BLOOMSBURG MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved replacing a shingled roof over the office area at the Bloomsburg Municipal Airport in an amount not to exceed \$2,900.00 unless the sheeting needs replaced.

APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO YMCA LEASE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF FORMER FIELDHOUSE BUILDING

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved an addendum to the YMCA Lease Agreement for the use of the former fieldhouse building located at the corner of Center and East Eighth Streets.

APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF TWO UNTITLED TRAILERS AND ONE BRUSH ATTACHMENT
AT PUBLIC AUCTION

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by S. Costa and voted on unanimously, Council approved the sale of two (2) untitled trailers and one (1) brush attachment at public auction.

APPROVAL OF RESCINDING THE APPROVAL OF THE INSTALLATION OF A STOP SIGN ON
WEST STREET AT WEST FOURTH STREET AND APPROVAL OF “NO PARKING HERE TO
CORNER” SIGN ON SOUTH WEST SIDE OF WEST STREET AT WEST FOURTH STREET

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by K. Shepperson and voted on Six (6) (D. Levan, K. Shepperson, D. Knorr, S. Costa, C. Howell and B. Kreisher voting “Yes”) to One (1) (P. Kinney voting “No”), Council approved rescinding the approval of the installation of a stop sign on West Street at West Fourth Street and approved the installation of a “no parking here to corner” sign on the south west side of West Street at West Fourth Street.

APPROVAL OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE FOR TOMMIE MOWRER

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved a handicapped parking space for Tommie Mowrer of 35 East Fourth Street.

APPROVAL OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE FOR MARJORIE DENT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved a handicapped parking space for Marjorie Dent of 365 East Second Street.

APPROVAL OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE FOR LOIS WRIGHT

On a motion by D. Levan, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved a handicapped parking space for Lois Wright of 597 West Main Street.

APPROVAL OF NO PARKING ON EAST SIDE OF PINE STREET FROM FAIR STREET TO THE
DEAD END

On a motion by P. Kinney, seconded by D. Levan and voted on unanimously, Council approved no parking on the east side of Pine Street from Fair Street to the dead end.

APPROVAL OF SALE OF TWO (2) 2000 FORD CROWN VICTORIA POLICE CARS

On a motion by S. Costa, seconded by P. Kinney and voted on unanimously, Council approved the sale of two (2) 2000 Ford Crown Victoria police cars #7 and #11 at public auction to be held on Saturday, August 1, 2009.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:12pm to discuss a personnel matter and did not reconvene.

CAROL L. MAS
Town Administrator & Secretary