

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday June 16, 2015

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7:01 p.m. in Council Chambers, Municipal building, 215 Main Street, Conyngham, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Council President Gary Gregory, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

Roll Call:

Present: Fuccile, Gallagher, Gregory, Hawk, Jones, McKee, Schneider.

Absent: None.

Others Present: Solicitor, Secretary, Junior Councilman Marushin.

Absent: Mayor, Treasurer, Junior Councilmen Oswald.

Citizens: Tom Lagana, Tim Ference, Arlene Stagg, Mary Donadi.

Public Comment: None.

Invited Guest: Thomas Lagana of Janney Montgomery Scott LLC gave a brief presentation on the performance year-to-date of the Police Pension Plan and the Non-Uniformed Pension Plan as well as discussed the benefits of revising the current Janney Investment Policy Statement. The updated Investment Policy Statement would allow for more alternative and international investments. A quarterly report will be provided at the Council work sessions.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Janney Investment Policy Statement with Quarterly Reports to Council-Schneider. Second – Gallagher.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session May 14, 2015; Continued Session May 26, 2015; Special Session June 9, 2015; Continued Session June 11, 2015- Fuccile. Second - McKee.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Mayor: Absent. No Police Report provided.

Junior Councilmen: Ecology Club will assist with park maintenance at Whispering Willows in the fall and spring.

Treasurer: Treasurer Blasé provided the May report for Council's review. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

Motion to Accept the May 2015 Treasurer's Report - Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

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Treasurer Blasé would request a Motion to approve the list of obligations in the amount of \$72,305.58.

President Gregory requested Council take a moment and review bills for approval.

Motion

Motion to Approve the Bills- Hawk. Second – Gallagher.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Solicitor: The Solicitor opened three bids for Lissa Lane.

Franzosa Trucking Co., Inc. - \$28,200.00
Don E. Bower, Inc. - \$59,890.00
M&J Excavation, Inc. - \$61,000.00

Motion

Motion to Award Bid to Franzosa Trucking Co., Inc. Pending Solicitor Review - Fuccile. Second – Gregory.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

The Solicitor will review the Borough's current Insurance Policy. Arrangements will be made to have a representative from Dryfoos Insurance attend the July work session.

A Waste Container Ordinance will be drafted and distributed at the July work session.

Reilly Associates finished the Brookhill Road Culvert Replacement Study and will present at the July work session.

At 7:46 pm Council broke for an Executive Session.

Motion

Motion to Hold Executive Session for Contract Negotiation Regarding Property Acquisition and Personnel - Hawk. Second – Fuccile.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Meeting called back to order at 8:07 pm.

The Solicitor read into the record a proposed Agreement of Sale to purchase 11.6 acres from the Estate of Betty Jane George. The sale is contingent upon the Borough's successful application of a \$250,000.00 Greenways, Trails and Recreation Grant through the Commonwealth Finance Authority.

Motion

Motion to Accept Proposed Agreement of Sale to Purchase 11.6 Acres from the Estate of Betty Jane George and Appraisal of Same Conducted by Seller or Benjamin Real Estate - Gallagher. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
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Jones	-	Affirmative	McKee	-	Affirmative
Schneider	-	Affirmative			

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had three (3) Fire and Rescue calls and ten (10) EMS calls for the month of May.

Recreation: Park Program begins June 22, 2015.

Planning & Zoning: Nothing at this time.

Streets: Pocono Spray Patching, Inc. began patching in Brookhill as part of an extensive patching program. Council has committed up to \$10,000.00 in funds for pothole remediation.

Motion

Motion to Approve Job Description and DPW Foreman Advertisement with a Salary Range of \$25K - \$35K with benefit Package – Gallagher. Second – Hawk.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Motion

Motion to Rename Streets Department the Department of Public Works – Fuccile. Second – Schneider.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Buildings & Grounds:

Motion

Motion to Authorize Application of Fresh Paint Days Pennsylvania Grant – Gallagher. Second – Gregory.

Questions on the Motion: Councilman Fuccile questioned whether matching funds are necessary – No.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Grant will provide up to 20 gallons of exterior paint to be applied between September 1 – 30.

Grants: The WREN Grant Final Report has been completed.

Motion

Motion to Apply for COPS Grant and to Authorize Chief Harris to Assist Corporal Rinehimer with Application - Gallagher. Second – Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
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Police: Nothing at this time.

Finance: Nothing at this time.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

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New Business: Nothing at this time.

Old Business: Nothing at this time.

Catch-All: President Gregory thanked the Conyngham Borough Authority for reimbursing costs for the Main Street ice cleanup and leak detection.

Public Comment: Arlene Stagg read a letter to Council regarding Smith Drive granting the Borough permission to spread excess patching material on the private road.

President Gregory advised this has been a long standing issue and the Borough cannot maintain or improve streets or property it does not own.

Council could possibly assist with a grant application to bring street up to specifications in order to be dedicated to the Borough.

Motion

Motion to Authorize Reilly Associates to Prepare Proposal to Determine Feasibility Study for Cost Estimate to Bring Smith Drive up to Standards Pending Owner Consent - Gregory. Second – Fuccile.

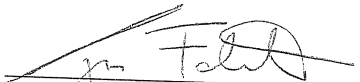
Questions on the Motion: None.

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Motion to Adjourn @ 8:42 pm - Gregory. Second – Schneider. No Roll Call. Unanimous.

ATTEST:


 Secretary