

CONYNGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
Tuesday August 18, 2015

Conyngham Borough Council met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at 7:03 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, Treasurer, Junior Councilmen Oswald & Marushin.

Absent: Mayor.

Citizens: Ray Croker, Linda Grencavich, Tim Ference, Rich Grencavich, Lacie Rinkus, Ashley Gregory.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion

Motion to Approve Minutes from Regular Session July 21, 2015; Continued Session July 30, 2015 - Gallagher. Second - Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Junior Councilmen: Junior Councilman Marushin questioned Borough Council regarding recycling in the Borough. President Gregory advised private haulers do pick up recycling in the Borough for a fee or residents can take their recyclables to Butler Township or Black Creek Township Recycling Centers. Containers are available at the Borough office at no cost to the residents. The newly restructured Department of Public Works may consider Borough wide recycling pick up in the future.

Council praised Junior Councilman Oswald on his various Scouting Awards.

Mayor: Absent. The Department responded to 53 offenses, incidents and/or requests for the month of July. One criminal complaint was issued, eleven traffic citations and nine local Ordinance citations. Report is on file.

Treasurer: Treasurer Blasé reviewed the July report in detail at the Work Session. A copy of the report is available for public inspection and is on file.

Motion

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

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Treasurer Blasé would request a Motion to approve the list of obligations in the amount of \$111,314.25.

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

Motion

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Motion to Approve the Bills- Fuccile. Second – Jones.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Solicitor: Duly advertised Ordinance 295 Waste Container Ordinance is up for adoption this evening. The Solicitor gave an overview of the Ordinance.

Motion

Motion to Adopt Ordinance 295 Waste Container Ordinance - Gallagher. Second –Hawk.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

The Local Share Account Contract is up for approval with a three year term June 2015 through June 2018 for Sidewalk/Stormwater Improvements on Sugarloaf Avenue in the amount of \$250,000.00.

Motion

Motion to Approve the LSA Contract as Stated - Schneider. Second –McKee.

Questions on the Motion: Councilwoman Hawk questioned if Sugarloaf Township needed to approve- No.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

The next step in the LSA Grant process is to retain an engineer. The Borough has already issued and RFP for Engineering for the Downtown Streetscape project through the County which entails a very rigorous selection process. It would be the Solicitor's recommendation to utilize the results from that RFP to vet an Engineer for the LSA Grant as well.

Resolution 15 of 2015 PNC Bank Extension of Credit would need to be approved in order for the Borough to obtain a credit card necessary for more efficient approved online purchases. The following Officers would be allowed to sign up to \$2,500.00 Credit Limit:

President Gregory
Vice President Schneider
Councilman Fuccile
Secretary

Motion

Motion to Adopt Resolution 15 of 2015 PNC Bank Extension of Credit – Jones. Second –Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
Gregory	-	Affirmative	Hawk	-	Affirmative
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The Solicitor is donating two computers with Windows 7 for the Borough's Zoning and DPW Departments. President Gregory thanked him for all his efforts

Fire, Rescue & EMA: Conyngham had no (0) Fire and Rescue call and eight (8) EMS calls for the month of July.

Recreation: Plans are underway for 2015 Christmas in Conyngham to be held December 12th with an inclement weather date of December 13th. A new addition to the festivities this year is a 5K Christmas in Conyngham Classic spearheaded by Ashley Gregory. Plans include parade, entertainment possibly carriage rides and/or reindeer petting. More details will be provided in the coming months.

The 2015 Park Program was a success. Reconciliation was provided to Council for their review. After taxes the program should break even.

An update was provided regarding landscaping of the park facilities.

President Gregory advised Council his masonry class can provide benches for the park at cost. All benches will be engraved "Whispering Willows Park, Conyngham, PA".

Motion

Motion to Proceed with Construction of Six Benches at Cost - Fuccile. Second – Gallagher.

Questions on the Motion: None.

No Roll Call. Unanimous.

Planning & Zoning: Council & the Zoning Officer will review the International Property Maintenance Code for the September Work Session.

Department of Public Works: Updates were provided on Grant Street patching, culvert repairs on Smith Drive and drainage issues.

Buildings & Grounds: Councilman Fuccile recommended Council replace the frame on the Police Door based on quotes received from High Mountain Hardware reviewed at work session.

Motion

Motion to Accept Quote from High Mountain Hardware in the amount of \$ 722.80 to Replace Police Side Door Frame - Fuccile. Second –McKee.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion

Motion to Approve Frontier 5 Year Phone Upgrade Including Park Phone Line at a Cost of \$355.57 Per Month Pending Solicitor Review – Fuccile. Second –Schneider.

Questions on the Motion: None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Fuccile	-	Affirmative	Gallagher	-	Affirmative
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Grants: Nothing at this time.

Police: The Department is requesting quotes for a weapons locker.

Finance: 2016 Budget process to begin shortly.

Personnel: Nothing at this time.

New Business: Council is considering a Penn Dot 10 Year Paving Loan to be paid from Liquid Fuel Allocations. Don Totino from Reilly Associates requested Council determine priority list of roads to be included in project.

Old Business: None.

Catch-All: The Borough will formulate a plan to deal with the Christ UCC Insurance Claim which was denied by the Borough's insurance carrier.

Allison Stark Yourechko provided an update on the Hometown Hero Banners. Thirty Two (32) banners have been purchased and are in the approval stages. All banners will be ordered by Friday, August 21st. The hardware will be ordered now so pole installation will be complete before banners arrive.

Public Comment: Linda Grencavich advised Council the Historical Society House Tour will be held December 6th.

Motion to Adjourn @ 8:28 pm - Fuccile. Second – Gallagher. No Roll Call. Unanimous.

ATTEST:


 Secretary