

LEWISBERRY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mark Keener, President, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark Keener, President; Daniel Soltis, Vice-President; Andrew Purcell, Mayor; Council Members; Robert Griffith, Robert Smith, Patrick Groft, Mary Pelton and Maureen Berezna.

Also Present: Mackensie Greene, Borough Manager; P. Daniel Altland, Solicitor

PUBLIC PRESENT

SEE ATTACHED SIGN IN SHEET

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

- David Forgas of Forgas Landscaping informs council of the services that he can provide should the Borough be interested.
- Debra Popp, the current Tax Collector for Newberry Township states her interest in filling Patricia Gordon's term until its expiration. Discussion ensued. Daniel **SOLTIS** made a motion which was seconded by Patrick **GROFT** to approve Resolution 2015-04 appointing Debra Popp as the Tax Collector for Lewisberry Borough until December of 2017. Motion carried, 7-0.
- Chief Snyder, Newberry Township Police Department reported the following:
 - Would like to extend a thank you to Borough Council for the use of the Park Building as headquarters for a DUI checkpoint. Three (3) DUI's and a number of other arrests were made.
 - There were thirty-one (31) calls in the Borough for the month of November.
 - Manager Greene presented the 2016 Police Protection Agreement by and between Newberry Township and Lewisberry Borough for approval. Discussion ensued. Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Maureen **BEREZNAK** to approve the 2016 Police Protection Agreement. Motion carried, 7-0.
 - Mayor Andrew Purcell inquires if Newberry Police Department would participate in the Live Nativity being held in the Borough on December 20, 2015. Chief Snyder will have a Police Presence in the Borough for the event.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- Brings forth Floodplain Ordinance §2015-07 for approval; an ordinance requiring all persons, partnerships, businesses, and corporations to obtain a permit for any construction or development; providing for the issuance of such permits; setting forth certain minimum requirements for new construction and development within areas of the borough of Lewisberry which are subject to flooding; and establishing penalties for any persons who fail, or refuse to comply with, the requirements or provisions of this ordinance. Discussion ensued. Mary **PELTON** made a motion which was seconded by Robert **SMITH** to approve the Ordinance §2015-07. Motion carried, 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mary **PELTON** made a motion which was seconded by Maureen **BEREZNAK** to approve the November 2015 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, 7-0.

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APPROVAL OF INVOICES AND RECEIPTS

Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Maureen **BEREZNAK** to approve the General Fund, Electric Fund, Road Fund and Building Maintenance account invoices for payment. Motion carried, 6-0, with Mark Keener abstaining from the vote.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Mayors Report:

- Mayor Andrew Purcell has resigned his position as Mayor.

Road Commission:

- Councilman Robert Griffith gave an update on the 5th Street project, suggests that by next spring, the blacktop be cut out, milled and repaved. The settlement in the pavement on Walnut Lane is not a sewer problem. Councilman Griffith suggests revisiting the needed repairs for both roads in April.

Electric Commission:

- Councilman Robert Griffith read the meter on Front Street that was initially installed on an LED Street Light as a test, on the One Thousandth night of use and we used an average of 1.75kWh per day, costing the Borough 0.16¢ per day to run the light. The regular street light was averaging 3.7kWh per day.
- President Mark Keener states the Street Light at Second and Lewis Street is on sometimes during the day and sometimes it is not.
- Resident William Thompson stated the following:
 - The Operating and Interconnection Agreement for Wholesale load by and between Metropolitan Edison Company (herein after referred to as "MetEd") and Lewisberry Borough allows for the use of MetEd's lines to bring power into the Borough. Discussion ensued. Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Robert **GRIFFITH** to approve the Interconnection Agreement. Motion carried, 7-0.
 - Correspondence received from Alleghany Electric Cooperative, Inc. inquires of the Borough's Preliminary "Expression of Interest" in Receiving/Retaining New York Power Authority St. Lawrence Allocation. Discussion ensued. Daniel **SOLTIS** made a motion which was seconded by Patrick **GROFT** to sign and return the Expression of Interest form to Alleghany Electric Cooperative, Inc. Motion carried, 7-0.

Anne E. Sterline Library: No Report

Insurance Commission: No Report

Building and Grounds Commission:

- Councilman Robert Smith stated he received the operating manual on the heating/cooling units installed at the Fire House.
- Manager Greene stated Kari Kirk took the position for the cleaning, opening and closing of the Park Building and Fire Hall for rentals.

OLD BUSINESS

- Manager Greene presents the final 2016 Electric Fund, General Fund and Road Fund Budget's for approval. Discussion ensued. Maureen **BEREZNAK** made a motion which was seconded by Mary **PELTON** to approve the 2016 Electric Fund, General Fund and Road Fund Budget's. Motion carried, 7-0.

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- Councilman Robert Griffith stated the Borough used to be reimbursed from the Annie E. Sterline Library for the Bond paid for by the Borough.
- Councilman Daniel Soltis brings forth his recommendations for an Ordinance pertaining to the installation of any Geothermal Heating Systems within the Borough. Discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS

Manager Greene stated the following:

- Presents the 2016 Trugreen Contract for the 308 Market Street property for approval. Discussion ensued. Robert **GRIFFITH** made a motion which was seconded by Patrick **GROFT** to approve the 2016 Trugreen Contract. Motion carried, 7-0.
- The Borough Manager Bond and the Secretary/Treasurer Bond are two different types bonds. Does the Borough wish to continue to keep both coverages. Discussion ensued. Council states to keep both coverages.
- Brings forth Tax Levy Ordinance §2015-08 for approval; the 2016 tax rates will stay the same at 1.6 mills or 0.16¢ and ½% real property transfer and ½% Earned Income Tax rate. Discussion ensued. Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Daniel **SOLTIS** to approve Tax Levy Ordinance §2015-08. Motion carried, 7-0.
- The Office Printer needs replaced. Discussion ensued. Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Daniel **SOLTIS** to approve the purchase of a printer for the office for no more than \$300.00. Motion carried, 7-0.
- Councilman Robert Griffith inquired if the current owner of 314 North Street has obtained a permit for the work he is doing on the property. Manager Greene will speak with Peter Schilling of Commonwealth Code.
- Presents the 2016 Notice of Meetings to be advertised. Discussion ensued. Council approved.

TABLE

Walters Christmas Card, Penn Waste, Inc. Christmas Card, Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Audit, PSAB Newly Elected Municipal Official Boot Camp.

ADJOURN MEETING

Patrick **GROFT** made a motion which was seconded by Daniel **SOLTIS** to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, 7-0.

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Affiliation

Terence Yinga
Tom Thompson

Resident.

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Deb Popp
Pam Salts

Newberry T.C.

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