

## **WORKSHOP MEETING –June 2, 2010**

The Town Council of the Borough of Conway met in Workshop Session on Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at 7:00 P.M., in the Fire Department Banquet Hall, South Gross Street, for the purpose of transacting General Business. President Levenson presided and opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT –** B. Gilmore, K. Helbig, S. Levenson, A. Sobolosky,  
P. Then, EMA Coordinator-Bob Skocich  
**ABSENT -** R. Pribulsky, R. Senock, Mayor Rose,  
Fire Chief Charlovich, Maint. Dept. - Brian Giles

**MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT:** *Brian Giles, Supervisor*

Mr. Giles was absent from the meeting. Mr. Sobolosky had nothing to report.

**FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:** *Robert Charlovich, Chief*

Fire Chief Charlovich was absent from the meeting.

**EMA COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** *Robert Skocich*

Mr. Skocich stated that he and Councilwoman Then attended the Local Government Academy workshop "Beyond Mutual Aid: Intergovernmental Cooperation, Public Safety & Homeland Security". At this workshop they said that the state is almost 1.3 billion dollars in the hole. He said that because of this, grant money may soon be ceasing and they are recommending regionalization of all departments; police, fire, public works, etc.

He also updated Council on the progress of the cement work being done at the Fire Department. He said that they have one pad complete and will do one next week. The last one should be done within the week after that. He also stated that they poured the pad where the generator will be installed.

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

-Mr. Gilmore stated that the bills were fine and could be placed on the Regular Meeting Agenda for approval.

-President Levenson explained that the Engineer had sent letters to Baden and Rochester

regarding them either taking on some of our sewage or all as authorized by Council. He stated that the Solicitor received a call from Baden regarding setting up a meeting to discuss this. They just happen to be in the process of expanding their plant. He asked what days might be good for the members of Council. After a brief discussion, the following dates will be given to the Solicitor for her to set up a meeting: June 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

-President Levenson commented that the Mayor, who is absent from the meeting, is concerned about the proposed Fire Escrow Ordinance. He said that she would like to see a limit set on the amount that can be withheld by the insurance company and put into an Escrow by the Borough. It will be discussed further at the Public Hearing scheduled on June 16, 2010.

A motion was made by Gilmore seconded by Sobolosky and carried to pay the Borough of Monaca \$360.00 for providing street sweeping in the Borough on Saturday, May 29, 2010. *Discussion:* The Secretary explained that Monaca was willing to assist Conway again with this service if they would like. She said that they are available on Fridays. President Levenson asked Mr. Gilmore to look at the budget and see if it would be possible to do the rest of the streets. He asked the Secretary to place this on the Regular Meeting Agenda for further discussion.

-Mr. Helbig explained that the Planning & Zoning Commission would like to make some amendments to the Borough's Property Maintenance Code. He asked Mr. Calahan to explain. Mr. Calahan stated that they would like to add a section in pertaining to dumpsters on the street. He said that they gave each member of Council a copy of a sample Ordinance. He asked them to review this for discussion at the Regular Meeting when the Solicitor is present. Mr. Sobolosky asked who would be responsible to for the road if there was damage done. The dumpster company or the homeowner. Mr. Calahan said that this could be addressed in the Ordinance. They also had proposed amendments to the sections pertaining to swimming pools and trash collection. They would like to limit trash being put out to 12 hours before scheduled pick up and remove by 12 hours after. President Levenson asked Council to review and prepare for discussion with the Solicitor.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Sobolosky seconded by Gilmore and carried to accept the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission to appoint Adam Kaleugher to the vacant seat on the Commission, term expiring on December 31, 2010.

-Because Brandon Galderisi was absent from the meeting no computer update could be given. President Levenson did state that he believed the police department was switched over. Mr. Adam Kaleugher did ask to be heard. He stated that the company which he worked for, ITS, did donate two battery back-ups to the Borough. President Levenson thanked him. The Secretary asked him to get her an address and contact name so that she can send a thank-you letter.

-A resignation letter was received by Council from Sheryl Bittel. Mr. Gilmore asked if she may be willing to stay on part-time and do the water testing and hold the water license for the Borough. Mr. Sobolosky stated that he had already asked her this and that she had said no. Mr. Gilmore gave Mr. Sobolosky a list of names of people who hold water licenses in the area. He asked Mr. Sobolosky to contact them and see if they would be willing to contract with the Borough. Mr. Sobolosky said that he would call them.

A motion was made by Sobolosky seconded by Then and carried to accept the resignation

of Sheryl Bittel from the Borough of Conway Public Works Department effective August 31, 2010.

-Mr. Sobolosky stated that they are having a Committee meeting next Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, to interview applicants for the part-time Public Works position. President Levenson asked the Secretary to put this on the Regular Meetings Agenda for discussion.

-The Secretary stated that she would like to attend the school picnic at Kennywood on Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. She asked Council if they would allow her to either close the office for the day or for half day. She explained that the Assistant Secretary is on vacation. Mrs. Then did not see a problem with closing the office for the day since it was flag day and most people would think that the office was closed.

A motion was made by Then seconded by Helbig to close the Secretary's Office on Monday, June 14, 2010.

-President Levenson said that he had received a quote of \$538.00 from Rizzi Insurance for the Liquor Liability coverage for Community Day. The Secretary stated that she did not receive the quote from First National yet. They will wait for the quote and discuss this at the Regular Meeting. President Levenson also asked the Secretary to place discuss electric for Community Day on the Regular Meeting Agenda.

-The Secretary informed Council that she had advertised for any interested resident to be appointed to the Recreation Committee but no letters were received as of yet. President Levenson asked if anybody present knew of someone who may be interested to have them contact the Borough Secretary or Mrs. Then.

Mr. Helbig commented on the natural spring on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mrs. Then stated that this is causing problems with the property next to it. She said the resident stated that she had contacted the owner of the property where the spring is located and he says that he fixed the problem two years ago. The water is still flowing and at times runs down 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue onto 11<sup>th</sup> Street. President Levenson did not know what could be done since this was a natural spring and who is really responsible for it. He said that he would mention this to the Solicitor tomorrow when he contacts her about the meeting with Baden.

Mr. Helbig informed Council that on Saturday a Lowe's truck was making a delivery to a house on Chaplin Street and they caused damage to the road in the process. He said that he and Chief Blum visited the site and Chief Blum wrote a report and contacted Lowe's to have this repaired.

President Levenson stated that Clean-up Day is next Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. He asked what was needed. Mrs. Then said that they would need gloves, garbage bags and some water. The Secretary said that they may be able to get these items from PennDot. Mrs. Then said that she would call them tomorrow. The Secretary asked where they would be meeting so that she can put this in the paper. They decided to meet in the Northern Lights parking lot by the Elementary School.

A motion was made by Helbig seconded by Sobolosky and carried to adjourn at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane R. McKay  
Borough Secretary

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**PRESIDENT** \_\_\_\_\_