

FRACKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2010

The regular meeting of the Frackville Borough Council opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag". President Jordan presided. Council members Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, along with Mayor Phillips, Secretary /Treasurer Deeter, Solicitor Semanchik, and a few citizens were in attendance.

MINUTES

A motion to accept the September 8, 2010, minutes was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Councilman O'Boyle asked the code enforcement officers' to come to the council meeting to explain the requirements under the UCC Code. Mr. Edward Yeager and Kyle Kehoe were both present. Mr. Yeager talked about the Uniformed Construction Code. He said this is a state law and all he does is enforce the law. He said the residents of Frackville must follow the state requirements because it is the law, he does not make the law he only enforces it. Mr. Yeager briefed council and the citizens on some of the different laws.

The engineer presented his report to all of council and same accepted on the motion of Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call vote went as follows: Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Councilman O'Boyle said proof of deed is needed for the Whipporwill Dam.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Councilman Morgan said there was personnel issues discussed with the police department and the public works director.

A motion to hire Gary Peters as the Public Works Director at an hourly rate of \$16.50 per hour including the acceptance of the public works director resolution was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Roll call vote went as follows: Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

A motion to hire James Bechtel as a part-time street department employee on an as needed basis at an hourly rate of \$12. 49 per hour was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Harper. Roll call vote went as follow: Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

The personnel report was accepted by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Harper. Roll call vote went as follows: O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

FINANCE REPORT

Tax Collection Report

The tax collection report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Gotshall, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Gotshall, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Bills for Payment

A motion to accept the bills for payment was made by Mr. Gotshall, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Councilman O'Boyle recuses from PJ Repair Service and his bill of \$36.00. Roll call vote went as follows: Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0. A copy of the bills is attached to the minutes.

A motion to accept the finance report was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. Roll call vote went as follows: Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Chief of Police Report

The chief of police report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Fire Chief Report

The fire chief report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Mayor Phillips gave recognition to the fire companies for fire prevention week.

A motion to accept the mayor's report was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. Roll call vote went as follows: Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

STREET/SEWER REPORT

A motion to purchase a 1991 truck with a plow from John Davis in the amount of 6,500.00 was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Roll call vote went as follows: Harper - yes, Morgan - yes, O'Boyle - yes, Roman - yes, Zuber - yes, Gotshall - no, and Jordan – yes. Motion carried 6 – 1.

A motion to accept the street/sewer report was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call vote went as follows: Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

PROPERTY REPORT

Progress

A motion to accept the property report was made by Mr. Gotshall, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Roll call vote went as follows: O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

LAW & ORDER REPORT

A motion to spend up to \$500.00 for networking fees and set up fees for the police computers was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. Roll call vote went as follows: Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

A motion to accept the law and order report was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Harper. Roll call vote went as follows: Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

SANITATION REPORT

The sanitation report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Zuber, seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call vote went as follows: Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

RECREATION REPORT

The recreation report was presented and same accepted on the motion of Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Roll call vote went as follows: Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

President Jordan thanked council for the homecoming for the Midget Football.

LIGHT & WATER REPORT

A motion to rescind the motion for on Demand Energy was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call vote went as follows: Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

A motion to allow the solicitor to do a letter to UGI for the paving on 232 S. Penn Street was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Harper. Roll call vote went as follows: O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Councilman O'Boyle said the winterization of the pool must be done. He has done the winterization since 2005 and he is no longer going to do the winterization of the pool.

A motion to accept the light and water report was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Harper. Roll call vote went as follows: Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Mr. Harper said the winterization of the pool will be done in house.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion to allow the advertising of Portnoff Law Firm was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. Roll call vote went as follows: Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, Roman, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7- 0.

A motion to allow the solicitor to advertise for bids for the property located North of the PPL substation was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Gotshall. Roll call vote went as follows: O'Boyle, Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion to accept the bid from Mattera Contracting contingent on the approval of the grant administrator was made by Mr. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. Morgan. Roll call vote went as follows: Roman, Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

The first budget meeting will be held October 27, 2010, at 5:30 p.m.

A motion to purchase an extended warranty for the 2008 Crown Vic from B&L Ford in the amount of \$3,490.00 was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. O'Boyle. Roll call vote went as follows: Zuber, Gotshall, Harper, Morgan, O'Boyle, and Jordan all voted yes. Motion carried 6 – 0. Councilman Roman left at 8:25 p.m.

The solicitor will research the number of animals per household and he will review the snow emergency plan as per the request of council.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Peg Gerrity – BPA

She would like assurance that the Christmas light s will be put up. President Jordan said the borough workers will put them up.

Paul Klevis – Downtown Revitalization

He thanked council for the use of the gym for the Jordan event. Also he would like to thank the fire company for their escort of this event.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Harper. All in favor 7 – 0. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Brenda Deeter
Secretary/Treasurer