

NOVEMBER 12, 2015

The Penn Lake Park Borough November Council Meeting was 11/12/2015 in the Penn Lake Community House. President Paul Rogan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

It was stated that the record should note that several residents and the secretary are recording the meeting.

Roll Call: Paul Rogan, Shaun Kuter, Rob Johnson, Jill Rosenstock, Rich Campbell, all present, Mayor Tim Lenahan, absent.

MINUTES A Motion was made by Kuter and 2nd by Johnson to accept the September 17, 2015 and October 8, 2015 minutes, at this point President Rogan wanted to address the prepared statement made by Rosenstock in the prior minutes. He was told that his comments would be included in this month's minutes. The secretary is complying and they are: "I would like to address a couple of points in councilwoman Rosenstock's prepared September minutes.

1st " At the August meeting, when I addressed concerns that the roads were not being repaired properly, and, in effect, could be a waste of \$22,000.00"

Most of the people I've spoken to in the borough do not believe it was a waste of money.

2. "I then inquired about the \$60,000.00 plus in discretionary funds (his words) he wanted to give the Basler family for the land at Penn Lake"... and further ...: " I also want to ask Rogan did you not intend to offer the Basler's \$60,000.00 of Borough funds for some of their land?"

Ms. Rosenstock attended the same executive sessions as the rest of council where these topics were discussed. A \$100,000.00 number was discussed at one session, and a \$30,000.00 at another. In both meetings, multi-year arrangements were discussed. The purpose of the meetings was to discuss options and long term plans for the ballpark, lake entrance and paths. No mention of a depletion of our reserves was made by me or anyone else on council.

3. "He replied that the discretionary funds were used for the police patrolling Penn Lake"

Partly true. This is because to date, the use of the White Haven Police still has not been funded thru taxes or fees. The police consumed 25% of our \$60,000.00 discretionary budget prior to 2015. During 2015 council reduced that expense to 17%.

All in favor: Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, aye, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, nay. 4 ayes 1 nay, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT A Motion was made by Kuter and 2nd by Johnson to accept November 12, 2015 reports. Roll call: Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, aye, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, aye, all ayes, motion carried.

EXHIBIT A

RECEIPTS/BILLS: A **Motion** was made by Kuter and 2nd by Rogan to pay bills of \$17,933.30 and accept receipts of \$3,096.00 Roll call: Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, abstained from reimbursing himself and aye to the rest of the bills, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, aye, all ayes, motion carried.

Petitions or complaints: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from Metrocast advising of rate change in January, 2016

Letter from PennVest noting a change of address.

Email from Tom Carter opposing the rehiring of Kreitzer as the garbage hauler.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE- No Report

SOLICITOR Jack Dean – liens to be filed shortly. Rosenstock questioned when Council was aware of the open seat. Discussion ensued and Ms. Rosenstock was advised that any seat at any time was open and anyone could write in in all elections.

President Judge Hughes will be conducting swearing in of new council member January 4, 2016 at 6 p.m.

ZONING Barry Jacobs – 3 permits, 122 Horseshoe Dr. (Holzman), 1530 Lakeview Dr. (McGuire) and 1351 Lakeview Dr (Goudy)

ENGINEERING Don Totino – No report

LAKE MANAGEMENT Shaun Kuter – No report

RECORDS/ROADS Paul Rogan No report the 3rd check for pothole patching has been delivered.

MAYOR- No report

DAM -Rob Johnson- the 2015 inspection was done on 11/2/2015 by Borton Lawson. Borton Lawson and I will be meeting with DEP we are currently waiting to hear back from DEP as to when that meeting will take place with regard to future Dam repairs. Some repairs have already been completed.

RECREATION/SEWER Paul Rogan – No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The garbage has been advertised to be opened at the December 17, 2015 council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2016 proposed budget was presented in 3 categories: 1st with no tax increase (4 mills), 2nd with a tax increase of 2 mills (6 mills) and the 3rd with a tax increase of 4 mills (8 mills)

President Rogan and Councilman Campbell along with the treasurer worked on the budget.

Rogan explained that for example the 6 mill budget based on a 100,000 assessment with mean approximately \$20.00 to the homeowner. Rogan said that the new millage revenue would be put into a Dam Fund looking long term in case repairs are needed. Rosenstock objected stating why raise taxes without knowing the costs. Rogan feels it is better to be proactive and create the fund to show State that Borough has good intentions and possibly to have the required percentage of funds if any grants are available. Discussion ensued as to the best course to take.

A **Motion** was made by Johnson and 2nd by Kuter to advertise proposed budget #2 with the tax increase of 2 mills. Roll Call: Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, aye, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, Nay, 4 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.

A **Motion** was made by Johnson and 2nd by Kuter to advertise the Reorganizational Meeting for January 4, 2016 at 6 p.m. Roll Call: Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, aye, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, aye, all ayes, motion carried.

The secretary requested that street numbers directions be placed on the street signs. This would help all emergency responders know which way to turn especially on Lakeview Drive. There was a discussion as to why responders would not have GPS. A **Motion** was made by Rosenstock and 2nd by Johnson to have the numbers put on. The secretary will get the cost. Roll Call:

Rogan, aye, Kuter, aye, Johnson, aye, Campbell, aye, Rosenstock, aye, all ayes, none opposed motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Topics of discussion were but not limited to:

The budget and tax increase, what other lake communities do with regard to their Dam's and the Dam safety, the open seats on council, as to maintenance of Community House

A **Motion** to adjourn was made by Kuter and 2nd by Johnson all in favor, all ayes

The next meeting will be on December 17, 2015 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo Beckerman, Secretary

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RECEIPTS: November 12th, 2015 MEETING

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|-------------------|--|
| \$ <u>1055.59</u> | HA Berkheimer, EIT October |
| \$ <u>279.62</u> | Realty Taxes Collected |
| \$ <u>1075.79</u> | Luzerne County, Real Estate Transfer Taxes |
| \$ <u>275.00</u> | Zoning Permits, |
| \$ <u>410.00</u> | Garbage Fees Collected |

\$ 3096.00 TOTAL RECEIPTS

BILLS:

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|--------------------|--|
| \$ <u>3720.00</u> | Kreitzer Sanitation, October Garbage Collection |
| \$ <u>833.33</u> | White Haven Borough, Police Protection for November. 2015 |
| \$ <u>91.85</u> | Verizon, Telephone 10/7/15 to 11/6/15 |
| \$ <u>10317.06</u> | Penn Vest Loan Monthly Payment November |
| \$ <u>13.14</u> | Robert & Rita Johnson, Refund on 2015 Real Estate Taxes |
| \$ <u>24.92</u> | John & Lois Glass, Refund on 2015 Real Estate Taxes |
| \$ <u>180.00</u> | O'Connor Real Estate RE: Earnhart, overpayment on 2015 Garbage |
| \$ <u>350.00</u> | Barry Jacobs, Zoning Officer Salary, October |
| \$ <u>350.00</u> | Atty. Jack Dean, October Retainer |
| \$ <u>140.00</u> | Paragon Total Home Maint, clear storm drains |
| \$ <u>250.00</u> | R. Petrill Contracting, add'l asphalt for road patching |
| \$ <u>46.30</u> | HA Berkheimer, Admin & Comm: September |
| \$ <u>177.00</u> | PA State Assoc Of Boroughs, Borough & Councilmens 2016 Dues |
| \$ <u>44.64</u> | PPL Electric Utilities, streetlights September |
| \$ <u>1162.27</u> | Aqua PA Repairs to Paul Rogan & Wm Rosenstock |
| \$ <u>27.98</u> | Margo Beckerman, (Copies-\$3.61, Scanner = \$24.37) |
| \$ <u>24.00</u> | The Journal Herald, Bid solicitation, 9/24/25 issue |
| \$ <u>180.81</u> | |

\$ 17933.30 TOTAL BILLS

TREASURERS REPORT –November 12th, 2015

PNC GENERAL FUND

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance as of 10/8/15 | \$2591.39 |
| Revenue Deposits from 11/12 mtg | <u>+1630.41</u> |
| | \$4221.80 |
| Bills to be Paid (Approved 11/12) | <u>-2413.97</u> |
| Balance as of 11/12/15 | \$1807.83 |

PLGIT GENERAL FUND

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Balance as of 10/8/15 | \$57723.17 |
| EIT Deposit October | + 1055.59 |
| Interest earned 10/30 | <u>+ 2.44</u> |
| | \$58781.20 |
| Bills approved 10/08 & pd | - 1980.00 |
| Bills to be Paid (approved 11/12) | <u>- .00</u> |
| Balance as of 11/12/15 | \$56801.20 |

| | PLGIT GARBAGE | LIQUID FUELS | PETTY CASH |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Balance 10/08/15 | \$11709.79 | \$16694.18 | \$25.38 |
| Revenue Dep 11/12 | + 410.00 | | |
| Interest earned 10/30 | <u>+ .62</u> | <u>+ .61</u> | <u>.00</u> |
| | \$12120.41 | \$16694.79 | \$25.38 |
| Bills to be Pd 11/12 | <u>- 3900.00</u> | <u>- 140.00</u> | <u>- .00</u> |
| Balance as of 11/12/15 | \$ 8220.41 | \$16554.79 | \$25.38 |

FNCB SEWER FUND

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|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance 10/08/15 | \$201106.32 |
| Interest Earned | + 7.39 |
| Revenue Dep 11/12 | <u>+ .00</u> |
| | \$201113.71 |
| Bills Pd 11/12/15 | - 1162.27 |
| Penn Vest Loan 11/01 | <u>- 10317.06</u> |
| Balance as of 11/12/15 | \$189634.38 |