AGENDA  
BOROUGH OF STEELTON  
May 21, 2012

CALL REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL TO ORDER: Chairman Pro-Tem Michael Albert with the Pledge of Allegiance

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Thomas F. Acri, Mayor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AS PRESENTED:

COMMUNICATION:

HRG Summary of Engineering Activities of April 9, 2012 through May 14, 2012

6:40 PM Recess into Public Hearing: Solicitor Wion

PUBLIC HEARING for the Flood Plain Management Ordinance and Amending the Zoning Ordinance regarding Flood Plain Districts

Reconvene to Regular Session

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Wion – Presenting Ordinance No. 2012-5 amending the code of the Borough of Steelton by adding a chapter entitled “Flood Plain Management”.

Mr. Wion – Presenting Ordinance No. 2012-6 amending the code of the Borough of Steelton, Chapter 120 “Zoning” regarding “Flood Plain Management Districts”.

Mr. Wion – Presenting Ordinance No. 2012-7 amending the code of the Borough of Steelton, Chapter 44 “Building Construction” regarding “Flood Damage Control” and “Electrical Standards” and “Flood Control Regulations”.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

COUNCIL’S CONCERNS:

ADJOURNMENT:
The regular meeting of Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Pro-Tem Michael Albert, with the pledge of allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

In Attendance:     Absent:
  Michael Albert     Jeffery Wright
  Maria Marcinko     Stephen Shaver
  Raymond Spencer    MaryJo Szada
  Denae House
  Mayor Thomas Acri
  David A. Wion, Solicitor
  Sara Gellatly, Borough Manager
  Kathy I. Sosnowski, Executive Assistant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

  On a motion made by Ms. Marcinko, seconded by Ms. House, Council Members present voted unanimously to approve the minutes from May 7, 2012, as presented.

COMMUNICATION:

  Herbert, Rowland & Grubic sent a letter with the summary of engineering activities for April 9, 2012 through May 14, 2012.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Jerome Chisholm, 510 St. Mary’s Drive was concerned that his water bill has been estimated for the past year, and has doubled since last year. His meter was checked on May 16, 2012 and no leaks were discovered. He lives by himself and yet the usage has doubled. Mayor Acri questioned whether there was a meter outside; Mr. Chisholm said there was not. His usage went from 5,000 gallons to 11,000 gallons. The mayor stated that he would check with the utility billing clerk as to why billing was estimated and no actual meter reading has been taken.

Chairman Albert then recessed the regular meeting for a public hearing at 6:40pm.

Solicitor Wion made the following presentation – Please see the attached two-page introduction.
PUBLIC HEARING for the Floor Plain Management Ordinance and Amending the Zoning Ordinance regarding Flood Plain Districts.

There were no public comments.

Regular session reconvened at 6:48pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Wion – presented Ordinance No. 2012-5 amending the Code of the Borough of Steelton by adding a new Chapter 60 entitled “Flood Plain Management”.

A motion was made by Mr. Spencer to approve Ordinance No. 2012-5, seconded by Ms. Marcinko and approved unanimously by all present.

Mr. Wion – presented Ordinance No. 2012-6 amending the Code of the Borough of Steelton by elimination of specified flood related definitions and incorporating the latest officially issued federal flood plain mapping to create a new Article VI entitled “Flood Plain Management Districts”.

A motion was made by Mr. Spencer to approve Ordinance No. 2012-6, seconded by Ms. Marcinko and approved unanimously by all present.

Mr. Wion – presented Ordinance No. 2012-7 amending the Code of the Borough of Steelton, Chapter 44 “Building Construction”, §44-5 “Flood Damage Control”, and Chapter 54 “Electrical Standards”, §54-4 “Flood Control Regulations” to refer these Chapter Sections to Chapter 60 “Flood Plain Management”.

A motion was made by Ms. Marcinko to approve Ordinance No. 2012-7, seconded by Ms. House and approved unanimously by all present.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Brandon Marsico, 230 Pine St. questioned his recent utility bill of $1,900 with 84,000 gallons of usage. He was referred to the next Water Authority meeting.

Mr. Marsico also cited Noise Ordinance 75-4 in his concern for the noise levels at the Spanish church across the street from his home – they have services five nights a week from 8:00pm until 10:30pm, which sometimes include the beating of drums that scares his two dogs. He stated that Officers Shaub, Etnoyer and previously Fry were aware of this problem. Apparently there are also minors (under 10 years old) running amok after
the services. Ms. Marcinko suggested checking into the noise ordinance and creating a log of dates and times of non-compliance.

Mr. Marsico’s last issue was parking in the area surrounding his home. At the intersection of Mulberry Alley and School Alley there is a “No Parking Here to Corner” sign and the curb is yellow. There is however, room for one vehicle to park behind that space; he has received tickets twice for parking in the correct place. Also, at St. John’s Church (3rd & Pine Sts.) there is a “Pastor Parking Only” sign, but there are two spaces there. He still receives tickets for parking in the legal spot.

Mr. Spencer stated that the Police Chief is aware of this situation. Mayor Acri indicated that he will talk to the Chief about the matter.

Emuel Powell, 321 Lebanon St. stated that he is concerned with speed limit enforcement in the area of Bessemer and Lebanon Sts. He asked if more signs could be installed – either “Stop” signs or “Watch Children” signs. With summer approaching, more children will be playing outside and crossing streets to get to nearby playgrounds.

Ms. Marcinko replied that she has the same concerns, but cites lack of parental guidance. In fact she recently pulled a child off Front St. to avoid the child being hit and got yelled at by the parent!

Pauline Douglas of Bessemer St. asked if a “Stop” sign could be installed coming up Bessemer St. but covered during the winter months. She was told that it is not legal to cover a sign at any time.

Ms. House thanked both residents for their concern.

Jerome Chisholm of St. Mary’s Drive came forward again. This time his concern was that a neighbor is letting his dog do his business on anyone’s property – and without a leash. Mr. Albert asked if it was possible to take pictures; he responded that it mostly happens at night when photos are not possible. Ms. Marcinko asked if this happens at the same time each day; if it does he should contact the Police Department. The Mayor added that if he is letting the dog run without a leash, the Police should be called immediately.

**COUNCIL’S CONCERNS:**

**Ms. House** – Informed Council that the Lady Rollers car wash brought in $610 for the team.
Mayor Acri – Thanked the entire Borough staff for their participation and work in preparing for and presenting the Steelton Veterans Appreciation Parade. He also informed Council that on Tuesday, August 7th our “National Night Out” will be held at the fire house starting at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Marcinko – Reminded the public that our phone numbers are on the Borough website; we don’t know of some problems unless residents tell us.

On motion by Ms. Marcinko, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the Council meeting recessed into executive session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

The Council meeting reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business before Council, on a motion by Ms. Marcinko, seconded by Mr. Spencer, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Gellatly          Kathy I. Sosnowski
Borough Manager       Executive Assistant