

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Michael Kovach, with the pledge of allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

In Attendance:

Michael Kovach
Jeffery Wright
Michael Albert
Dennis Heefner
Thomas Acri, Mayor

Absent:

Stephen Shaver
MaryJo Szada
Lisa Wiedeman-Krosnar

Michael G. Musser, II, Secretary
David A. Wion, Solicitor
Kathleen D. Handley, Assistant Secretary
Jennifer Brown-Sweeney, Administrative Assistant

COMMUNICATIONS:

National Multiple Sclerosis Society – Letter congratulating Mr. Musser for his acceptance of the MS Leadership Award

Mr. Wright motioned to have the letter placed in Mr. Musser's personnel file, seconded by Mr. Albert. Motion approved unanimously.

Chief Lenker and Ms. Sviben – Providing Council with more Certificates of Completion in regards to the NIMs testing.

Mr. Albert motioned to have the certificates placed in each individual's personnel files, seconded by Mr. Heefner. Motion approved unanimously.

Dan Scheitrum, Superintendent of Water Filtration, and Scott Wible, Water Operator – Providing Council with a copy of the certificates stating that they have successfully completed the Plant Chemical Feed Pump Workshop.

Mr. Wright motioned, seconded by Mr. Albert, to have the certificates placed in Mr. Scheitrum and Mr. Wible's personnel files. Motion approved unanimously.

Kathy Handley, Assistant Borough Secretary/Treasurer, and Michele Powell, Billing Clerk – Providing Council with a copy of the Certificates of Attendance to the 2006 User Group Conference at Hershey Park.

Mr. Albert motioned, seconded by Mr. Wright, to have the certificates placed in Mrs. Handley and Mrs. Powell's personnel files. Motion approved unanimously.

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Officer Fry and Officer Minium – Providing Council with a Certificate of Training Completion for the Vehicle Weighing and Measuring Training Program Through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Department of Transportation.

Mr. Albert motioned, seconded by Mr. Wright, to have the certificates placed in Officer Fry and Officer Minium’s personnel files. Motion approved unanimously,

Ron Sabatini, Chairperson for Motorin’ for Miracles Committee at PSHMC – Letter of Thanks to Officer Basonic for helping with the fundraiser for the Children’s Miracle Network through the Biketoberfest on September 30th.

Mr. Heefner motioned, seconded by Mr. Wright, to have the letter placed in Officer Basonic’s personnel file. Motion approved unanimously.

William Scott, Custodian – Letter informing the Borough that he will be resigning his position as Custodian for the Borough of Steelton effective October 18, 2006.

Mr. Musser requested an executive session to discuss this matter.

Pennsylvania Brownfields 2006: Putting the Deal Together – Providing the Borough of Steelton a copy of the comments from the presentation at the conference on the New Steelton done by Mr. Musser, Commissioner Hartwick, and Mr. Tunnell.

Mr. Wright motioned, seconded by Mr. Albert, to have these comments placed in Mr. Musser’s personnel file. Motion approved unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Gehrlein – Providing Council with an update of the transition from Main Street to Elm Street

Mr. Gehrlein stated that his title will change for Main Street Manager to Elm Street Manager. He said that the funding for the Main Street program will be transferred to the Anchor Building Project at the former Steelton Trust Building at 1 North Front Street. Mr. Gehrlein stated that he is in the process of closing out the remaining façade applicants, as there will no longer be façade and sign funding. He stated that the Elm Street funding is for three year cycles and the Borough’s matching requirements will be reduced in comparison to the Main Street Program.

Mr. Gehrlein stated that there will be three public meeting to clearly define the mission, to discuss fundraising, and to develop a sustainable budget. He stated that three

meetings will be held on Wednesday, November 8, at 6:00 PM, Wednesday, November 22, at 6:00 PM, and Wednesday, December 6, at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Musser – Providing an update on the Hometown Streets Project in Steelton

Mr. Musser explained that the project is pretty much on schedule. He stated that the issues with PPL lighting have caused some delays, and they will be meeting this week.

Mr. Musser – Providing Council with a Cost-of-Living Study for the retirees of the Borough of Steelton's Non-Uniformed Pension Plan.

Mr. Musser stated that this is the same thing Council reviews every year. He stated that he gave a breakdown on the costs of a 1% - 4% cost-of-living increase and how the increase would affect each retiree.

Mr. Shaver requested the matter be put on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

Dauphin County Commissioners and the Dauphin County Planning Commission – Inviting the Borough to enroll in the Municipal Planning Advisory Service for 2007.

Mr. Heefner motioned to authorize Mr. Musser to execute the agreement for a full-time planner, on the Borough's behalf seconded by Mr. Wright. Motion approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2006-R-49 – Resolution to file a tax exempt change, and allow Solicitor Wion to file the paperwork on the Borough's behalf, on the 3.8 acre tract of land that is currently being used as a parking lot.

Mr. Musser stated that he sits on the board, and that would necessitate Mr. Gehrlein, another Department Head, or a Council Member to argue on the Borough's behalf. He stated that nobody objected to this.

Mr. Wright motioned to approve Resolution 2006-R-49, as presented, seconded by Mr. Albert. Motion approved unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Kovach recognized Mayor Hoerner from Highspire at the meeting and thanked him for coming.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Highspire Mayor Hoerner stated that he wanted to come and personally thank Mayor Acri, Council Members, and the Fire Department, on behalf of Highspire Council and residents, for helping them in their time of need with the Fire Department. He stated that it was appreciated.

COUNCIL'S CONCERNS:

Mr. Wright- stated that there will be a Community Development Meeting on Monday at 6:00 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Albert, seconded by Mr. Wright, the Council meeting recessed into executive session to discuss land acquisitions, personnel issues, and litigation, at 6:55 PM.

The meeting reconvened at 7:49 PM.

Mr. Heefner motioned to not accept the resignation of William Scott, Custodian, seconded by Mr. Albert. Motion approved unanimously.

Council stated that they are issuing a directive that if Teresa Sviben would like to attend additional training courses, that she be allowed to do so.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business before Council, on motion by Mr. Albert, seconded by Mr. Wright, the Council meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael G. Musser, II
Borough Secretary