

The Regular monthly meeting of Shamokin City Council was held this evening with Mayor Bradley presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Bradley called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Led by Mayor Bradley

PRAYER: Silent

ROLL CALL: Garth Hall, R. Craig Rhoades, George Rozinskie Jr., Michael Snyder, and Mayor Bradley were all present.

VISITORS: Joe Boyle, of the PA Economy League, thanked the Council for their efforts on the study and stated that they are working with the City Manager, Matt Dominos and Karen Wheeler to get a phase II EIP grant to implement a financial and information management system. He stated that the final written report should be completed by the end of the month.

Caroline Weaver, 138 Elm St., stated she was concerned about the town's condition with weeds. She stated that there was a lack of pride in people's properties and that abandoned houses are accumulating. She explained that we need a Main St. Committee or Citizen's Committee or Nuisance Ordinance. She complained about the property located at 135 Marshal St.

MOTION BY SNYDER to approve the minutes of previous council meetings  
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder  
Nays: None

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

STREETS AND PUBLIC IMPROVMENTS: The Director stated the dept. is working on general maintenance, but stated that there is a subsidence issue on 3<sup>rd</sup> St., which can be a costly problem to correct. He stated that the City Manager has contacted the county to seek financial assistance.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Director stated that he is working to have the former Korbich Bldg. on Pearl St. cleaned-up. He also stated that the Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation is interested in purchasing 10 reserved stalls in the Water St. Municipal Lot.

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE: The July Treasurer's Report was read.

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: The Director stated that the swimming pool will be closing August 25 contingent that lifeguards can be retained until then.

PETITIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATION: The City Clerk read a letter from the Northumberland Co. Council for the Arts requesting permission to host an event on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

MOTION BY RHOADES to approve the request  
Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

The City Clerk read a letter the City's pension consultants, Trollinger Consultant's, that the 2007 financial statements for the police and non-uniform pensions are filed and can be found in the City Clerk's Office.

The City Clerk read a letter from the Auditor General pertaining to the City's Pension Audit Compliance Report for years 2005 and 2006 for the police and non-uniform pensions, which can be found in the City Clerk's Office.

The City Clerk read a resignation letter from Robert Johns.

MOTION BY HALL to accept the resignation  
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

BIDS:

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for the sale of 18 W Church St. according to the bid specifications as directed by City Council

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

The Community Development Director was absent.

MOTION BY SNYDER to approve a change order of \$1,850 for the demolition project for Webster and Diamond streets  
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder  
Nays: None

MOTION BY SNYDER to approve to refund Lawrence Warren \$34 for an overpayment of a housing rehab loan  
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder  
Nays: None

MOTION BY HALL to approve the proposal from Mullin & Lonergan for consulting services for the 2008, 2009, and 2010 CDBG program  
Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, and, Rozinskie...3  
Nays: Rhoades and Snyder...2

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to appoint John Klembara as the upcoming Battalion Fire Chief for 2009-2010 and advance all other fire chiefs as follows: Jim Catino as Fire Chief, Bruce E. Rogers as 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief, and Robert Wolfe as 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief  
Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder  
Nays: None

MOTION BY BRADLEY to deny what appears to be a step 4 grievance filed by the Shamokin Police Officer's Association on behalf of Glenda Nichols  
Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, and Rozinskie...3  
Nays: Rhoades and Snyder...2

MOTION BY HALL to allow the City Manager to attend a training seminar with the Governor's Center for Local Government Services on October 2 at a cost of \$50

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to nominate Councilman Garth Hall to the City's 2007 Audit Committee

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY SNYDER to accept PennDOT's 2008 and 2009 Winter Municipal Services Agreement Renewal that states the City will provide winter maintenance services along route 125 for \$1,823.58 and authorize the City Manager to execute the same

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY HALL to authorize the City Manager to submit a phase 2 Early Intervention Grant

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to authorize the City Manager to furbish a check in the amount of \$14,447.40 to Robert John in accordance with the police bargaining contract for all accumulated sick, vacation, personal, and compensatory time

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY HALL to authorize the City's pension consultants to calculate pension benefits for Robert John in accordance to applicable laws, the police bargaining contract Article 3 Sections 1 & 2, and Ordinance 02-01

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

*Councilman Rhoades commented that he would like to request a meeting with the police bargaining unit with himself and Councilman Snyder before using the legal services, which can become costly. He also stated that he would like to allow the Chief of Police to meet in Executive Session to discuss the needs of an investigator. Councilman Rozinskie stated the matter should be addressed at the next work session. The Mayor stated he would allow the Chief to be there.*

MOTION BY RHOADES to request permission for him and Councilman Snyder to meet with the Police Bargaining Unit to discuss the upcoming police contract

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Rhoades and Snyder...2

Nays: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley...3

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

MOTION BY SNYDER to adopt ORDINANCE 08-06 (Final Reading / Fire Limits & Restrictions)

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY HALL to adopt ORDINANCE 08-07 (Final Reading / Brake Retarders)

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY BRADLEY to adopt ORDINANCE 08-08 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading / 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Angle Parking)

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

MOTION BY HALL to approve the itemized bill list for the City, Redevelopment, and CDBG program for payment

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

*Mayor Bradley called for an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues pertaining to the police bargaining unit contract.*

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to adjourn  
Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Bradley, Hall, Rhoades, Rozinskie, Snyder

Nays: None

The City Clerk recorded the meeting as ending at approximately 10.01 PM.

Attest:

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Dave Bohanick, City Clerk