

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, George Rozinskie Jr., and Mayor Bradley were present. R. Craig Rhoades and Michael Snyder were absent.

VISITORS: Vinny Clausi, of Coal Twp., addressed the Council arguing on behalf of Shamokin Senior Action Center expressing their desire to take the cabinets at the Center to the new Senior Action Center in Coal Twp.

Jeff Everett, of 122 Lincoln St., said his parking space was eliminated without his consent and without notification. The Chief of Police responded that the plates didn't match the location of the sign. The City Manager replied that Council passed a new resolution last year that allows for businesses to apply for reserved parking signs and for those with disabilities to apply for restricted parking signs, and that Mr. Everett can refer his complaint to the parking committee for review or submit a new application.

John Gruneburg, of Lincoln St., asked why four parking spaces were granted to the PRC Complex when meters are across the street. The City Manager explained that any business can apply for reserved parking signs, but that the parking committee will look into the matter.

Linda West, of Lincoln St., stated that she was upset about the parking signs and that she and John would have problems walking up the hill and would like the parking committee to review the matter.

Janice Steinhart, of Marshall St., asked council members to draft an ordinance preventing a halfway house to be placed in city limits because it would create a slum city. She also explained her dissatisfaction about the parking signs. Solicitor Mattis explained that the City will look into it, but that he believes the city zoning code would already prohibit a halfway house.

John Gruneburg, of Lincoln St., took the stand to explain that he has a disability, but doesn't acknowledge it and that he wouldn't want to take parking away from his neighbors.

Susan Zimmerman, of Marshall St., asked council to look into two vacant lots at the corner of Marshall and Spurzheim streets. She stated that they are a mess with garbage and weeds. Councilman Rozinskie stated that he would take care of the matter right away.

Vinny Clausi, of Coal Twp., spoke again about an addition item on the agenda pertaining to the air conditioning unit at the SAC.

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to approve the minutes of previous council meetings

Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

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

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: The Director was absent.

STREETS AND PUBLIC IMPROVMENTS: The Director was absent.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Director read the fire chief's report.

PETITIONS: None

COMMUNICATION: The City Clerk read a letter from Angels at to have a Support our Troops children's carnival June 18th from 1pm to 8 pm on Orange St.

MOTION BY BRADLEY to approve the request
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the American Legion Auxiliary requesting permission to hold their annual Poppy Day on June 7, 2008.

MOTION BY HALL to approve the request
Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the Independence Fire Assoc. requesting to hold their annual block party July 18 & July 19, 2008 and to close Arch St. between Market and 6th streets from 5pm July 17 to 9am July 20.

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to approve the request
Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the Friendship Fire Engine and Hose Co. requesting to hold a pig roast on July 12 between 12 noon to 6pm and to close off Chestnut St. between Shamokin and Rock streets between 8am to 8pm.

MOTION BY BRADELY to approve the request
Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the Shamokin Police Dept. requesting to hold their annual Nation Night Out event at the Claude Kehler Community Park on August 5, 2008 from 5pm to 9pm.

MOTION BY BRADLEY to approve the request
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church requesting permission to hold their annual block party August 2 and August 3 and to close off Webster St. between Franklin and Shamokin streets on July 31 through August 3, 2008.

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to approve the request
Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk read a letter from the West End Fire Co. requesting to hold a block party on June 13 and June 14 from 5pm to 11pm and to close off Pine St. from 6th St. to the east side of 5th St the east side of 5th one-half block south.

MOTION BY HALL to approve the request
Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: The Community Development Director read the CDBG report.

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to allow, in the spirit of goodwill, the Senior Action Center to remove and retain the cabinets at the Shamokin Senior Action Center with the stipulation that all walls and structures are repaired and restored in the case damage would occur during the course of removal,
Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to deny the Senior Action Center to remove the HVAC system that provides heating, ventilation, and air conditioning to the premises as this is a permanent fixture to the building's structure

Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

City Technician Larry Strausser explained why it wouldn't be feasible to remove the system as it is a permanent fixture to the building and by removing the air handler below the unit outside would result in the loss of primary heat. Vinny Clausi stated that they would argue over the air conditioning unit and would leave it as long as the Council doesn't nit pick over the removal of the cabinets at the SAC.

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to deny Mr. Pancher's request for return of personal and per capita taxes

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to authorize the City Manager to submit a Main Street planning grant and a DEP Section 902 Recycling grant for capital equipment on behalf of the City of Shamokin

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

MOTION BY HALL to accept Klacik & Associates proposal to perform auditing services for 2007 through 2009 for the City of Shamokin, as previously tabled, and that the auditor must agree to have the audits completed by December 1st of each fiscal year

Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None
Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

MOTION BY BRADLEY to adopt RESOLUTION 08-09 (Resolution of Appreciation)

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to adopt RESOLUTION 08-10 (Resolution to participate in a regional recreation study)

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION BY BRADLEY to adopt ORDINANCE 08-04 (1st Reading / Municipal Waste Management)

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

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

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

Hall,

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION BY ROZINSKIE to adjourn

Bradley,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Hall, Rozinskie, and Bradley

Nays: None

Absent: Rhoades and Snyder

The City Clerk recorded the meeting as ending at approximately 8:15 PM.

Attest:

Dave Bohanick, City Clerk