

Regular Council Meeting
June 11, 2012

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Rozinskie called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Led by Mayor Rozinskie

PRAYER: Silent

ROLL CALL William D. Milbrand, Craig Rhoades, Mike Snyder, William R. Strausser, and George R. Rozinskie, Jr. were all present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:01 PM to 7:15 PM on personnel & pending contracts.

VISITORS: Terrence O'Shea 127 East Independence Street – License was tabled last month awaiting additional information from Mr. O'Shea. Mr. O'Shea started the club would be a night spot. Mr. O'Shea noted that the license that was at this location previously was revoked. Mr. O'Shea stated that he previously leased this club and it was those lease's that created the problems that led to the revocation of the license. Concerns were raised by Chief Griffith stating that the Shamokin Police dealt with many issues at this night club spot in the past. Mr. O'Shea then read a statement into the record and a copy was given to Council.

Jerry Fisher, Coal Township – Asked to express his opinions about O'Shea's liquor license request and other bars in town. He felt that the police have a good handle on things in town. He does not understand why this would be issue. He believes the gentlemen are trying to provide stability and to have a place to go and have a good time. Mr. Rhoades asked if this license was from Mr. Fisher's establishment. Mr. Fisher explained it was his parent's license and was in safe keeping for 3 years. He also noted that Mr. O'Shea was a respectable person.

Amanda Erin O'Shea – 1252 West Walnut Street, Coal Township – Daughter of Terrence O'Shea stated she worked for him for ten years. She now works for the State Police. She plans to have all employees attend LCB and other classes including implementing different strategies. Security will be ramped up with security cameras. Mr. Rhoades expressed further concern and noted any issues at the bar should the license be approved will be dealt with as severely as possible.

Ken Lebo – 44 South Third Street – Here based upon previous discussion with Mayor. Mr. Bartos addressed Mr. Lebo and noted that he requested sign to slow vehicles down. Mr. Bartos noted we cannot restrict vehicular traffic to a certain weight limit however, city would place "Children at Play". Also reached out to Pastor Eby to act as a liaison for the neighborhood.

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MOTION BY Strausser to approve the minutes of the previous Council meetings of:

- May 2, 2012
- May 14, 2012

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE:

Report read by Treasurer. Fund balances as of May 1, 2012 as reported by the City Treasurer as follows:

○ General Fund.....	\$,154,855.24
○ Motor License.....	\$41,165.82
○ Library.....	\$9,310.11
○ Contingent Fund.....	\$709.11
○ Sinking Fund.....	\$288,168.42
○ Recreation.....	\$24,143.89
○ All Accounts.....	\$18,352.59

PARKS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS: Councilman Milbrand invited everyone to the Grand Opening of Claude Kehler Park for Friday at 2:30 PM. A new chemical pump has been purchased and installed at the City Pool. American Legion project continues.

STREETS AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS: Councilman Snyder noted that Street Department clean-up after the Arts Festival went well, and spring cleanup continues.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Rhoades read the Fire Bureau report and submitted to Council. Report was read from the Code Officer and submitted to Council.

PETITIONS

- Nothing to report

COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION BY RHOADES to have solicitor enter into a civil suit to cleanup Gilbauer property.

Strausser,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

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MOTION BY Milbrand to approve O'Shea Liquor License.

Strausser,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Strausser to approve Citizens for a Better Community request for July 4th events in Shamokin.

Milbrand

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Strausser to approve Jeanne Shaeffer's request use Claude Kehler Park.

Milbrand,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Snyder to approve Independence Fire Company request (Market to 6th Streets) July 19, 21, & 22.

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

CITATION

Chief Griffith presented a citation to Holly & Dave Madden for their help during a fire at Washington Street when Officers first arrived. The couple stopped and assisted in the evacuation of a burning building.

BIDS

Bids were opened for new parking meters for the City of Shamokin with Makay Meters and POM bidding on the project.

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MOTION BY Rhoades to accept and award MaKay Meters the bid pending approval by DCED to allow the City to incur debt.

Strausser,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

Bids were opened for Request for Qualifications for the Shamokin Creek Flood Wall Project. Bids were received from C & D Waterproofing, Bloomsburg, Heim Construction, Pottsville; and Anskis Construction, Elysburg.

MOTION BY Milbrand that these 3 bids be accepted pending review by Mike Brinkash, City Engineer.

Strausser,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

CONTRACTS

MOTION BY Milbrand to approve Group Cares contract to work on low income housing in the City of Shamokin for the summer of 2013.

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Strausser that the City of Shamokin renews the insurance policy with Weiss and Schantz.

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Rhoades to approve the purchase of new copiers for the Treasurer & Code Enforcement offices.

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

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MOTION BY Snyder to approve Forester Environmental Proposal to conduct lead abatement at the American Legion Building.

Milbrand,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Milbrand to approve the initiation of Mill Square project renovations for a new tenant pending RDA approval.

Rhoades,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

UNFINISHED BUISNESS

Nothing to report

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Mayor Rozinskie nominated Sandy Zarick to a 4 year term on the RDA.

NEW BUISNESS

MOTION BY Milbrand to allow CSO to conduct the renovations of the American Legion Building at no cost to the city.

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Milbrand to make Rick Bozza Clerk of the Works for the American Legion basement project.

Rozinskie,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT

MOTION BY Rhoades to pass Ordinance 12-04 Drop Tickets as read by the solicitor (first reading).

Strausser,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Strausser to pass Ordinance 12-05 to place a stop sign Lombard & Race Streets as read by the Solicitor. (first reading)

Snyder,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

BILL LIST

MOTION BY Strausser to pay itemized list of bills for the City, Redevelopment, and Community Development Programs.

Milbrand,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

MOTION BY Strausser to adjourn

Milbrand,

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Milbrand, Rhoades, Snyder, Strausser, Rozinskie

Nays: None

Strausser,

The City Clerk recorded the meeting as ended at

Attest:
Stephen D. Bartos
City Clerk