

September 24, 2015
REGULAR MEETING

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council Vice-President, Mark Greenawalt, at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

Present: Council members Mark Greenawalt, Denny Gabrielli, Diane Bradshaw, Cheryl Swank, Karen Kenzevich, and John Kautz were present. Cindee Virostek was absent. Mayor Held was present. Solicitor Tim Miller was present.

Public Comments: Mike Mollick spoke representing #3 Fire Department and North Apollo Fire Department about a long range plan to consolidate. There were members from #3 FD, NA FD, and #2 FD. #2 representatives made it clear they were not interested in consolidating at all. Council responded by stating they needed more time and information to even discuss supporting this as a motion.

Council went into an executive session to discuss personnel at 7:20 PM.

Josh Dunmire, representing the Apollo-Kiski Little League, offered to make a financial donation to help sponsor the Halloween parade. They would like to use the building in the Grove every other Sunday in the winter months for meetings. They need a place to meet. They are hoping in the future to purchase some land. This issue was tabled.

John Steele addressed council regarding his vacant property inspection. It was explained that he will receive a written report on the outcome for each building, which was discussed with him at the time of the inspections.

Mark Greenawalt read Cindee Virostek's resignation letter from the office of Council President. A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to accept Cindee's resignation. Motion passed unanimously.

Directly thereafter a motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Karen Kenzevich, to nominate John Kautz for President. There were no other nominations. John Kautz agreed to accept the nomination. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineering Report: Rich Craft presented his engineering report. Council agreed that Olsen could close out the sewer separation project. The one remaining item will have to be taken care of, and that is providing PennVEST with the Buy American Certifications. The North 11th Street culvert replacement issue will stay on the engineering report. Council would like to have another meeting with PennDOT before the public meeting is held.

KVWPCA acknowledgement that clarifies the manholes should be taken over by the borough. KVWPCA acknowledgement will be submitted to the solicitor for review. 2015 reporting data will be prepared and submitted by O & A.

RRWA parking lot discussion about the two parking spaces where the bike stands are. The addendum will be filed the way it is.

Status of pole from WPP Company and the MS4 letter from DEP were briefly discussed.

Grant application status. They are all still being reviewed.

A motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to approve payment of Olsen invoices #13913 and 13915 in the total amount of \$210.50 from the sewer fund. Invoices 13914 and 13916 in the total amount of \$368.50 from the general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the minutes from 8/27/15 and 9/3/15. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report: Missy Wray Brendan is making a donation of a set of horseshoes for use in Owens Grove. The cameras in the plaza have night and day vision and two of them are being replaced as they were not working properly. The Bicentennial committee is having a mystery theatre on October 10th at the #3 fire hall. Saturday, September 26th there will be a pig roast in Owens Grove to benefit the Bicentennial. Discussion of the job description for meter and parking enforcement, and a need to have a meeting with both employees to clarify any issues.

The Mayor asked for a motion to move Officer Curt Suprano to regular patrolman at the new rate of \$13.25. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to take Officer Suprano off probation and make him a regular patrolman. Motion passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report: Dates have been finalized to begin contract negotiations with the Teamsters. DUI Task Force agreement was discussed. After discussion, a motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to join the DUI Task Force. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Karen Kenzevich, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to pay the solicitor's bill in the total amount of \$1300.00. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, it was realized that the setbacks in section 904E of the zoning ordinance had not been changed when the other sections were previously changed. A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to modify 904E, and advertise it accordingly, to change the setback to 15'. Motion carried unanimously.

Borough Manager's report: The Apollo Lions are planning a veteran's dinner for November 15th and they would like to have table sponsors at a rate of \$100. A motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Karen Kenzevich, to sponsor a table. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to make John Kautz chairman of the Finance Committee and place his name on all of the borough's checking accounts. Cindee Virostek will be removed. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, a motion was made by John Kautz, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to sponsor the Halloween parade of 2015, and commit to spending no more than \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning Committee Report

Cheryl Swank – Chairman

Public Works & Streets Committee Report:

Mark Greenawalt – Chairman

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report:

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

Property Committee Report

Denny Gabrielli – Chairman

Finance Committee Report

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD September 2015):

Garbage Fund – \$7598.00

General Fund (includes payroll) - \$56,666.13

Liquid Fuels Fund - \$3398.57

Sewer Fund – \$6017.89

Sewer Separation Fund – \$2406.18

Parking Fund – \$84.90

Total – \$76,171.67

A motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to approve payment of all bills, including payroll, for month to date September 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Karen Kenzevich, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.



Cynthia McDermott
Borough Manager

Mark Greenawalt
Vice-President