

**April 28, 2016
COUNCIL MEETING**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a brief invocation, the Apollo Borough council meeting was called to order by Council President John Kautz at 7:00 PM in the Apollo Borough Municipal building council chambers.

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

Public Comments: None

Engineering Report: Rich discussed meeting with PennDOT regarding connecting Scenic Drive with Route 56/66. He put together a design. There will need to be a scoping meeting necessary (before HOP) to work with the culvert design. We need to put the intersection into that plan. Wooster has presented a proposal for the borough to do the traffic scoping for PennDOT. The property is zoned Industrial, Commercial, and with a TC Overlay permitted per ordinance. We want to try to get PennDOT to approve two entrances (a second one at N. 6th Street).

The only current developer is the FD proposal. It would be great if we could find another interested party.

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the Wooster proposal at the not to exceed price of \$4848. The end result would be they would propose the ultimate goal to PennDOT on behalf of the borough. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to pay Olsen Engineering Invoice 14291 - \$402.50 from the sewer account, and 14289, 14290, 14292 - \$1273.07 from the general fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve the meeting minutes from March 24, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor and the Public Safety committee interviewed several candidates to fill the position openings for part time police officer. They would like to recommend that employment be offered to Christopher Fabec, Joshua Grafton, and Tyler Graham.

A motion was made by Diane Bradshaw, and seconded by Cheryl Swank, to offer part-time police officer employment to Christopher Fabec, Joshua Grafton, and Tyler Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion and a recommendation from the Mayor, a motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to approve Naloxone (Narcan) mandatory training for all police officers and to carry Narcan in the police vehicles. Motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor read and distributed a proclamation for Apollo Bicentennial Days from July 1 through July 10, 2016. The proclamation will become a permanent part of the council meeting minutes from today's meeting.

Kaylor Displays will be set up from 10 – 3 in the lower portion of the plaza for the next two Saturdays. A carnival sponsored by VFD#2 from June 28th to Saturday, July 2nd.

The Bicentennial banquet will be held on 6/25/16. The collector's rifles at Schultz Sportsmen Shop have all been sold. #16 of 25 is being raffled off the last day of the celebration. The military banners are all up now, and they look beautiful throughout town.

Solicitors Report:

Tim Miller discussed a notice he received from the PA Bar Association, House Bill 340, which would overhaul parts of the Sunshine Act. The three major changes were discussed, and there was agreement throughout council members that they would not like to see the proposed changes become the law. Tim will prepare a letter for which council could send copies to the PBA and our Senators and Representatives.

A motion was made by Denny Gabrielli, and seconded by Cindee Virostek, to pay DeBernardo invoices for our solicitor in the amount of \$2226.25. Motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion about making changes to the Vacancy Ordinance, and a meeting was set for May 11th to meet with the Planning committee members and Tim Miller.

Final notice has been received regarding the dissolution of the Parking Authority.

Borough Manager Report:

Planning Committee Report

Cheryl Swank – Chairman

The plans for a Farmers Market are moving forward and will begin the first Saturday in the summer months - June 4, July 2, and August 6th from 9-1.

The council members should participate in the Bicentennial parade and work on a float for it. Cheryl will donate a truck/trailer to build it on.

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Diane Bradshaw, to allow the Property Committee to purchase flowers and bunting up to \$500 for various locations in the borough, including Owens Grove. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Works & Streets Committee Report:

Mark Greenawalt – Chairman

Public Safety & Public Service Committee Report:

Diane Bradshaw – Chairman

A public audit that was done by the SPC for PennDOT recommended some more street signs from PennDOT in several areas of the 66 route between Apollo and Leechburg.

Property Committee Report:

Denny Gabrielli – Chairman

A resolution is needed for the consolidation of NAFD and VFD#3 to recognize North Oak VFD. Tim Miller will prepare the resolution.

A tree replacement program for the Grove was discussed for in the fall, including a community donation program. Per Jeff Held, perhaps flower pots can be planted in the areas where there were once trees that died. The playground equipment is being painted, with the majority of the work already done.

A motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Cindee Virostek, to advertise the occupancy ordinance, as proposed. Voting yes - John Kautz, Diane Bradshaw, Cheryl Swank, and Cindee Virostek. Voting no - Denny Gabrielli. Motion carried.

Finance Committee Report

John Kautz – Chairman

Approval of items for payment as follows (MTD April 2016):

Garbage Fund – \$7,650.92
General Fund (includes payroll) – \$79,454.32
Liquid Fuels Fund – \$3494.74
Sewer Fund – \$6591.15
Sewer Separation Fund - \$2,395.03
Parking Fund – \$294.54
Total – \$99,880.70

A motion was made by Cindee Virostek, and seconded by Denny Gabrielli, to pay all bills, including payroll. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Cheryl Swank, and seconded by Cindee Virostek, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.



John Kautz
Council President



Cynthia McDermott
Borough Manager



A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF APOLLO BOROUGH
April 28, 2016

WHEREAS, John Montgomery and Alexander Stuart obtained titles to 570 acres of land from Thomas Penn, son of William Penn, in 1769 and 1774 respectively; and,

WHEREAS, a new settlement named Warren on the Kiskiminetas River was plotted and surveyed in 1816 and incorporated as the Borough of Apollo in 1848; and

WHEREAS, the townspeople of Apollo have worked together for an outstanding educational system; responsible and efficient borough government; quality public library and historical society as community education and resource centers; beautiful and architecturally designed unique places of worship to express freedom of religion; certified, well-trained fire, police and fire emergency medical service personnel; and well-maintained recreational parks, trails, and facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the townspeople of Apollo have organized civic, business, and service groups which have been an integral part of the community since its earliest days; and, further, the groups are a shining example of volunteerism and community spirit that have helped to make Apollo a great place to live, work, and raise a family; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Apollo Council and Dr. John L. Kautz, Council President, have sanctioned the Apollo Borough Bicentennial Celebration Committee to plan, organize, and engage the citizens of the greater community as Apollo celebrates 200 years of community pride and accomplishments throughout 2016.

THEREFORE, I, Jeffrey A. Held, Mayor of the Borough of Apollo, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim July 1 through July 10, 2016, as Apollo Bicentennial Days. Further, I urge all citizens and businesses, including neighbors and friends in nearby communities, to participate in all celebration activities and to display the American flag daily throughout the celebration days.

ATTEST: Cindee McDermott
Cindee McDermott, Borough Manager

Jeffrey A. Held
Jeffrey A. Held, Borough Mayor

Dr. John L. Kautz
Dr. John L. Kautz
Borough Council President

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