

Abbottstown Borough Council Meeting **September 17, 2015**

Meeting was called to order in the Council Room at 7:03 p.m. by Council President April Trivitt.

COUNCIL ROLL CALL: Walter Baker, Dale Reichert, April Trivitt, Hugh Wellen
Mark Heisey were absent

Also in Attendance: Guy Beneventano, Solicitor; Chad Clabaugh, Engineer; Donna Kreiser, Esq., Bond Counsel; Loreen Greer, Secretary/Treasurer; Mayor Craig Peterson was absent

VISITOR(S): Angelo Galantino, Abbottstown; Mary Galantino, Abbottstown; Perry Shearer, Abbottstown; Debbie Shearer, Abbottstown; Andrew Frey, Abbottstown; Susan Frey, Abbottstown; Report from Gettysburg Times

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

An executive session was held at 6:30 p.m. September 17, 2015. Council met with the Borough Solicitor and Donna Kreiser of McNees, Wallace & Nurick, LLC to obtain legal counsel.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Debbie Shearer complained that there are still weeds on the sidewalk at 103 East King Street.
- Mary Galantino would like info on the taking of the properties around the square for the Square Project. She thinks council should look into how these deals were arranged and executed.
- Angelo Galantino commented that the change of length of public comment form 5 minutes to 3 minutes and the removal of the second public comment period is unfair to the public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Dale Reichert to approve minutes of September 3, 2015; 2nd by Walter Baker; Motion carried 4 Ayes

APPROVAL TO PAY BILLS

Motion made by Walter Baker to approve the bills as presented; 2nd by Hugh Wellen; Motion carried 4 Ayes

NEW BUSINESS:

- Bank Proposals – (Jay was unable to attend; Guy reviewed the info. Jay provided) Jay Wenger, hired as the Borough Financial Advisor, sent requests for proposals to 8 local financial institutes. Two banks responded. Jay recommends the ACNB proposal option #1; a maximum borrowing of up to \$650,000, 25 year term, 5 year fixed rate of interest of 2.66%, years 6 thru 25 range of interest from 2.75% up to a maximum of 4.65%. Guy also recommends Council accept this proposal.
Motion made by Dale Reichert to accept ACNB proposal, option #1; 2nd by Walter Baker; Motion carried, 4 Ayes
- Ordinance 2015-03 Bank Note Ordinance

Authorized the borough to issue a note in the maximum amount of \$650,000 under and pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Unit Debt Act. The ordinance has been properly advertised under the act and is otherwise in compliance with the act.

Motion made by Hugh Wellen to adopt Ordinance 2015-03; 2nd by Walter Baker; Motion carried, 4 Ayes

- Security Systems Contracts #1 & #2
 - Motion made by Walter Baker to approve Law Security contract for closed circuit TV system striking paragraph 4; 2nd by Dale Reichert; Motion carried, 4 Ayes***
 - Motion made by Hugh Wellen to approve Law Security contract for Fire Security system striking paragraph 4; 2nd by Dale Reichert; Motion carried, 4 Ayes***
- Trick or Treating will be held on Saturday October 31, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

- Country Club Road storm sewer project quotes - tabled

NEW OFFICE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

- Report from the Construction Committee – tabled
- Minutes from the fifth and sixth on-site construction meeting were presented

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Walter Baker – none
- Secretary Loreen Greer – none
- Council Vice President Mark Heisey – absent
- Mayor Craig Peterson – absent
- Councilor Dale Reichert – none
- Councilor Hugh Wellen – none
- Council President April Trivitt – Dale Reichert, Loreen Greer and April will meet to prepared the 2016 budget and present it for comment to the rest of council immediately after each budget prep meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next scheduled Council meeting is October 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Dale Reichert to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.; 2nd by Hugh Wellen; Motion carried, 4 Ayes

Submitted,

Loreen Greer, Secretary – Treasurer