

Rural Valley Borough Council Minutes December 8, 2014

Meeting opened by President Will Spera with flag pledge.

Present: Anthony Arduini, Randy Arduini, Jeffrey Dorsey, Kathy Fusaro, Tom Krizmanich, Clifford Nichols, William Spera, Lillian Bartosiewicz

Absent: Frank Palilla

Ken Howard of Bankson Engineers addressed Council about new DEP mandatory water system operatives: Storage tank must be fenced in; Storage tank must be cleaned every 5 years (had it done 2 yrs. ago—Oct. 2012); Replace carbon 3-5 yrs.; Equipment needs calibrated; Have to cover sediment basins in fenced area—cover must be vented and removable; Clean basins twice yr.

Jim Zimmerman addressed Council concerning drain by 2 churches on Main St. Drain goes to fire department property. Have two issues: the gas line through middle of the property and the storm water drain coming from cemetery and Main St. Asking for help from Borough—need equipment and funds. Estimate \$8,000.

Kathy Fusaro moved to accept the November 11 minutes. Jeff Dorsey seconded. Minutes accepted.

Kathy Fusaro moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Tony Arduini seconded. Report accepted.

Randy Arduini moved to pay the bills presented. Clifford Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence read.

Letter from SV General Services asking the Borough to pay half of the cost of meter reader. Secretary to send letter agreeing to pay half when meter received and bill received by Borough.

Randy Arduini moved to adopt a resolution to accept the Armstrong County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Clifford Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Authorized ESS to go ahead with the Darwin National Assurance Public Officials Policy.

Committees:

Mayor:

- Police report and Ordinance Officer report given.
- Complaints in town about stray cats. Ordinance officer will set traps.
- Working with Palmer resident. Working with Community Action.

Water & Sewage:

- Water report given.
- Problem with Evans and the old school gym. Need to obtain more info.
- Kathy Fusaro moved to accept Highmark Blue PPO, \$500 deductible at \$899.36 for Kevin and reimburse Jeff \$225 per month for his insurance. Accept these plans for Borough employees for one year with the stipulation that if rates increase over 5%, the employee will have to pay the increase. Jeff Dorsey seconded. Motion carried.

Communications:

- Lite-Up Night went well.
- Borough website is updated.
- Computer will be sent out for repair.

Streets:

- Truck has had bed liner and steps installed. Plow and spreader are next.

Equipment:

- Approved purchasing a headache rack for truck for \$425 and light for \$150.
- Secretary will check on magnetic signs.

Financial:

Jeff Dorsey moved to accept the 2015 Budget as published to be funded by the following taxes: 5 mill Real Estate, 1 mill Fire, 1 mill Street Lights, .5% Wage, .5% Realty Transfer, \$5 per capita. Randy Arduini seconded. Motion carried.

Other:

Cliff Nichols moved to purchase a garage door from Shirey at \$3,795 at first of 2015. Kathy Fusaro seconded. Motion carried.

Cliff Nichols moved to accept the following dates for 2015 meeting which will now begin at 6:30 p.m.: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9, Apr. 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14. Jeff Dorsey seconded. Motion carried.

Kathy Fusaro moved adjourn. Jeff Dorsey seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 12, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Bartosiewicz, Secretary