

Rural Valley Borough Council Minutes December 12, 2016

Meeting opened by President Will Spera with flag pledge.

Present: Randy Arduini, Louis Bartosiewicz, Kathy Fusaro, Clifford Nichols, Frank Palilla, William Spera, Larry Walker, Lillian Bartosiewicz, Kevin Nelson, Josh Krizmanich, Ken Howard

Absent: Tony Arduini

Ken Howard addressed Council concerning the DEP Allocation Permit giving Borough permission to take water out of ground and sell to customers. Permit expires on January 8. Kevin and Ken in process of completing all forms to obtain new permit. Good for 10 years.

Also, high service pump shafts have broken on one of the pumps and are bad on the second. Ken had Charlie Waters of IE Powers look at them today and work up a proposal. Must be repaired.

Kathy Fusaro moved to accept the November 14, 2016 minutes. Larry Walker seconded. Minutes accepted.

Frank Palilla moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Cliff Nichols seconded. Report accepted.

Kathy Fusaro moved to pay the bills presented, which included Highway Aid bill to American Rock Salt for \$1,553.26. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Frank Palilla moved to accept the 2017 budget as published to be funded by 6 mills Real Estate, 1 mill Fire, 1 mill Street Lights, .5% Wage, .5% Realty Transfer, \$5 per capita. Cliff Nichols seconded. Budget approved.

Randy Arduini moved to accept the following meeting dates for 2017: Jan. 9, Feb. 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, Aug. 14, Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 8 special, Nov. 13, Dec. 11. Larry Walker seconded. Dates approved.

The annual appointment for the County UCC rep and an appeal board designee will remain the same: Will Spera as the rep. and Don McLachlan on the board of appeals.

Committees:

Mayor:

- Police reports given.
- Old bank property. Saunders needs new lawyer and hearing will be assigned.
- Will try to get the churches to help with cost of Palmer clean up.

Water:

- Water report given.
- Will set up a schedule for giving up water tap once water is off for certain period. Kathy Fusaro will work on this.

Streets:

- Quality Assurance Board recommended our receiving the DGLVR grant for Schlemmer Road. Agreement needs signed and returned before December 30. Larry Walker moved to sign and return the agreement for the grant. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Building and Maintenance:

- Old high school building needs to be secured immediately: padlock the door, cover any broken windows, block any holes, etc.
- Discussed back hoe for small tractor, as the Recreation Commission suggested we do not sell or trade it.
- Upon recommendation of the Shannock Valley Recreation Commission, Council agreed to have Dave Knepshield maintain/clean the lodge as needed.
- Larry Walker moved to purchase a gas heater 200,000 btu for the pole building. Cliff Nichols seconded. Motion carried.

Other:

- On the ordinances worked on previously by committee, the penalty on the traffic code needs to be raised to \$100.
- Kathy Fusaro moved to send the changes/additions to ordinances on to the solicitor for approval. Randy Arduini seconded. Motion carried.

Council went into executive session to discuss personnel business.

Meeting back in session.

Council added to work order: secure school building, finish insulation of pole building, add the furnace to pole building, make sure water pump is repaired and working, have Ken McClafferty list his duties performed on his work days.

Kathy Fusaro moved to adjourn. Clifford Nichols seconded. Meeting adjourned.

**Next Meeting
Monday, January 9, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Bartosiewicz, Secretary