

## December 4, 2015

Council convened for the regular monthly meeting at 8 PM at the Prompton Fire Hall. Members attending were Mayor Stacy Wentzel, Dan Biondo, Robert Mikulewicz, Dale Odell, Allen Heberling, Lynn Holl, and Kirk Fries. Also present was secretary/treasurer Michael Wolfe.

The minutes of November 6, 2015 were read and approved unanimously by council with one amendment: Allen Heberling had help from Randy Fries, Bruce Potter, and Gary Gilbert in hanging the new chains on the swing set at the park.

### ***Old Business***

Bill Pykus replaced the bulging sluice pipe on Church Street. Council was pleased with the results. Council wants to let the modified settle over the winter. They will discuss paving options in the spring.

Council members agreed to review the requirements of the county's hazard mitigation plan prior to next meeting. Council will vote on the plan in January.

### ***New Business***

The county sent out notices to all the recycling drop-off points that there is contamination in the clear glass section of the containers. The issue is county-wide. This is likely a bigger problem in municipalities that do not have volunteers available during drop-off times.

The county will be conducting a Point-In-Time (PIT) homeless count on January 27, 2016. Council members were not aware of any places within the borough where people are living with inadequate shelter.

Council discussed the 2016 draft budget. There were no issues with any of the expenses. The secretary proposed dropping the per capita tax because it is inefficient (roughly 25% of the collected revenue goes to collection expenses, compared to roughly 7% for real estate taxes). A 5% increase in the millage would offset the lost revenue from the per capita tax.

None of the council members wanted to raise the real estate millage. **Dan Biondo moved to drop the per capita tax and leave the real estate millage at 0.9 mills. Allen Heberling seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Dan Biondo and Allen Heberling voted YES to approve the motion. Robert Mikulewicz, Dale Odell, Lynn Holl, and Kirk Fries voted NO. The motion failed.**

With the failure of that motion, council agreed to leave the tax rates of the 2016 budget the same as for 2015. **Dale Odell moved to approve the draft budget for publication. Robert Mikulewicz seconded the motion which carried unanimously.**

### ***Accounts Payable***

**Dale Odell moved to approve all bills for payment. Lynn Holl seconded the motion which carried unanimously.** The accounts payable approved for payment are detailed in the Treasurer's Report on the reverse side of this page.

Meeting adjourned. Michael Wolfe

## *December Treasurer's Report*

<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Balance</i>
General Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 11,652.76
Mayor Pay- Stacy Wentzel	\$ (120.00)	\$ 11,532.76
Council Pay (BM: \$110; DB: \$100; RM: \$120; AH: \$130)	\$ (460.00)	\$ 11,072.76
Council Pay (LH: \$110; DO: \$120; KF: \$110)	\$ (340.00)	\$ 10,732.76
Chris Martin: SEO fees	\$ (680.00)	\$ 10,052.76
Chase Holl: Tax Collector commission	\$ (19.83)	\$ 10,032.93
Michael Wolfe: Secretary wages	\$ (334.54)	\$ 9,698.39
<b>General Checking Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 9,698.39</b>

Highway Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 122.18
Transfer from Highway Savings	\$ 1,436.46	\$ 1,558.64
Bill Pykus Excavating: Replace culvert	\$ (1,436.46)	\$ 122.18
<b>Highway Checking Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 122.18</b>

Highway Savings Beginning Balance		\$ 10,601.30
20% Equipment Fund	\$ (4,824.20)	\$ 5,777.10
Street Lights (10/2/2015 - 11/3/2015)	\$ (303.71)	\$ 5,473.39
November Interest	\$ 0.85	\$ 5,474.24
Transfer to Highway Checking	\$ (1,436.46)	\$ 4,037.78
20% Equipment Fund	\$ 4,824.20	\$ 8,861.98
<b>Highway Savings Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 8,861.98</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 18,682.55</b>
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