

August 4, 2017

Council convened for the regular monthly meeting at 8 PM at the Prompton Fire Hall. Members attending were Mayor Stacy Wentzel, President Brian Mikulewicz, Dan Biondo, Robert Mikulewicz, Dale Odell, Allen Heberling, Lynn Holl, and Kirk Fries. Also present were resident Jerry Korb and Secretary/Treasurer Michael Wolfe.

The minutes of the regular monthly meeting on July 7, 2017, were read and approved unanimously by council without amendment.

Old Business

Jerry Korb asked council to reconsider selling the portion of the borough's parcel that extends into his yard. He wants to avoid a deed dispute when it comes time to sell that property (the current owner is Judith Murphy, his mother-in-law). He is especially concerned that he does not currently have clear deeded access to his garage. Council brought up the possibility of offering an easement instead of selling the property, but Mr. Korb made it clear he was not interested in an easement. He did not feel that would be an improvement over the current situation.

After Mr. Korb left the meeting, council further discussed the issue. The small portion of the parcel that extends into Mr. Korb's yard is part of a larger parcel that includes the playground and basketball court. The borough would need to subdivide the parcel as part of the sale. A subdivision would require a land survey. It would also need a test pit on the remaining land. Without a perc test, the remaining land would require a non-building waiver as part of the subdivision. This would encumber the borough and add costs to any future building projects on the remaining land.

A sale would also incur other costs, such as a title search, recording costs, new deed, closing costs, appraisal, etc. As an alternative to subdividing and selling the property, council discussed offering a full easement on the entire area (more than a simple driveway easement). This would provide nearly all the benefits of a property sale, at considerably less cost. Council would not charge for the easement itself, but Mr. Korb would be responsible for any associated expenses, such as attorney fees and recording costs.

The road committee met with Scott Maciak from PennDOT. He said the road project only requires a scratch and leveling coat. **Allen Heberling moved to hire Joseph Blacktopping to do patch work on River Road (\$1,000) and paving on Prompton Road (\$8,850) for a total of \$9,850. Dan Biondo seconded the motion which carried unanimously.**

New Business

Joe Vinton, the Prompton Dam supervisor, put down calcium and modified on the turnaround at the end of River Road. Council asked secretary to send him a thank-you note.

The road committee improved the intersection of Route 6 and Prompton Road. They removed material and re-graded the area to better divert runoff into the storm grate.

Secretary announced his intention to resign from the position at the end of 2017. He plans to run a write-in campaign for the open borough tax collector position.

Accounts Payable

Dan Biondo moved to approve all bills for payment. Kirk Fries 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, Secretary

August Treasurer's Report

Description	Amount	Balance
General Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 23,930.52
Road Project Set-aside	\$ (6,000.00)	\$ 17,930.52
PA Dept of Labor & Ind. (Unemp Comp)	\$ (10.17)	\$ 17,920.35
PA Dept of Rev. (Tax Withholding)	\$ (14.69)	\$ 17,905.66
Lily Fries (July park mowing)	\$ (100.00)	\$ 17,805.66
Tax Claim (2015 Delinquent pmts)	\$ 205.70	\$ 18,011.36
Canaan Twp (Workers Comp Cost Sharing)	\$ 2,807.00	\$ 20,818.36
Chase Holl (Tax Income)	\$ 723.30	\$ 21,541.66
Wayne County (Recycling Bonus 2015)	\$ 18.62	\$ 21,560.28
Road Project Set-aside	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 27,560.28
General Checking Ending Balance		\$ 27,560.28

Highway Checking Beginning Balance		\$ 122.18
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Highway Savings Beginning Balance		\$ 19,529.03
Road Project Set-aside	\$ (11,000.00)	\$ 8,529.03
Street Lights (5/30/2017 - 6/28/2017)	\$ (309.84)	\$ 8,219.19
July Interest	\$ 1.55	\$ 8,220.74
Road Project Set-aside	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 19,220.74
Highway Savings Ending Balance		\$ 19,220.74

TOTAL	\$ 46,903.20
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