

## **WYALUSING BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING JULY 5, 2010**

Wyalusing Borough Council held their regular monthly meeting on July 5, 2010 at the Wyalusing Borough Hall at 7:00 p.m. those in attendance were George Anderson, Kelly Bradley, Mary Ann Raffin, Jean Reinhart, Fred Reinhart, Tom Miller, Brian Cogswell, Marcea Evans and Brianna Keefe. Scott Snyder arrived at 7:45 p.m. Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Anderson acknowledged the use of a tape recorder.

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

#### **MARCEA EVANS**

Evans presented pictures of soapy water in the creek behind her home at 106 Taylor Avenue, adding there were dead frogs and fish in the creek which she felt were a result of the soap. Bradley suggested testing the water. Miller stated he had tested the water in the past, but the results didn't show anything helpful.

Evans stated that the Wyalusing Country Market closed over two years ago and there was still canned food on the shelves and the coolers still had foods which were now spoiled, adding there was no electricity to the building. It was felt that there could be a problem with rodents and the health department should be notified.

Evans left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

#### **SECURITY CAMERAS**

Bradley stated that Snyder was in the process of obtaining additional quotes for the security cameras.

### **BID OPENING FOR POLES**

Atlas Material & Handling Inc. submitted a bid for the old traffic light poles in the amount of \$500 for the four poles. A phone call was made to Donald Keeney confirm the amount of the bid and to clarify if the bid was per pole or for all four poles. Keeney stated the bid was for all four poles. After discussion, Fred Reinhart made the motion to reject the bid. Raffin second. All approve.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **JUNE 7, 2010**

Bradley made the motion to approve the minutes for the June 7, 2010 meeting. Raffin second. All approve.

#### **JUNE 14, 2010**

Bradley made the motion to approve the minutes for the June 14, 2010 meeting. Raffin second. All approve.

#### **JUNE 21, 2010**

Bradley made the motion to approve the minutes for the June 21, 2010 meeting. Raffin second. All approve.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

#### **APPROVAL TO PAY 28 BILLS**

Raffin made the motion to approve the bills as presented. Fred Reinhart second. All approve.

### **MAYORS REPORT**

Mayor Reinhart presented the updated Police Services Agreement, asking Council if there were any changes or additions needed. Mayor Reinhart stated if it was approved tonight, she would take it to Laceyville's Mayor Patton for their meeting on July 6, 2010. After review of the agreement, Raffin made the motion to approve the Police Services Agreement with Laceyville Police Department. Bradley second. All approve. Mayor Reinhart stated the agreement could become effective as early as July 7, 2010 if it is also approved by Laceyville.

### **BOROUGH MAINTENANCE MANAGER/MUNICIPAL LIAISON**

Miller stated the Municipal Authority is taking another look at the Welles Mill water well as another source of water for the Borough; however it is an older system and must meet DEP regulations. Miller stated that Bradley had headed a work program with Bradford County Correctional Facility last week. The park pavilion roof had been painted, several streets had been swept, mulch had been spread at the park, the municipal parking lot and the courtyard. Bradley stated it may be possible to have them return in a few weeks.

Miller introduced Cogswell as the new employee and stated he had the potential to do a lot of positive things for the community.

#### **ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

The report was approved as submitted.

#### **BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

##### **STATUS REPORTS**

##### **FUNDS FROM CHESAPEAKE**

Several gas leases had been signed for properties in the Borough, funds should be received within 120 days.

##### **CEMETERY-CREMATATION AREA**

There was question whether to limit the number of cremation burials on one lot, after discussion, it was felt that there should be no limits.

##### **PROTHERO BARN**

Snyder stated the demolition process had started on Marilyn Prothero's barn.

##### **BURNED OUT BUILDING**

Bradley questioned when the fire gutted house next to Downtown Auto would be demolished.

Anderson stated the owner is waiting for approval from his insurance before removing the building.

##### **ORDINANCE OFFICER CLEARANCE**

Attorney Foster is in the process of finalizing paperwork to submit to Harrisburg for the ORI clearance.

##### **LETTERS TO OTTAVIANI AND TAMA**

There was discussion of sending letters to Ottaviani and Tama for property maintenance problems.

##### **LIGHT IN THE PARK**

Snyder stated the light in the park was not repaired yet, but it should be completed later in the week.

##### **WARNING TRAFFIC SPEED SIGN**

It was felt the sign should be placed on Taylor Avenue; Evans offered the use of her lawn as one of the locations.

##### **CONCERT IN THE PARK**

Bradley stated it may be nice to offer something to the residents of the Borough, suggesting a concert in the park. It was felt there could be assistance from the Rainbow Club and the Lions/Lioness organizations. Fred Reinhart was appointed to obtain more information.

##### **YEAR BOOK \$50**

There was suggestion to purchase a yearbook to assist with identifying some of the youth causing problems in the Borough. It was mentioned that people change too much in their teens to make it worth the purchase.

##### **REVISED LETTERHEAD**

Bradley and Jean Reinhart offered to revise the current letterhead and present it at the August meeting.

##### **STREET CLEANER**

Bradley suggested purchasing a gas operated street cleaner, adding that Main Street is usually littered with trash. There was suggestion that it should be the responsibility of the business owners to keep the street clean. Miller stated there is a Main Street Association for snow removal, adding there may be funds available for sidewalk cleaning.

Mayor Reinhart asked for an executive meeting for personnel reasons. The executive meeting started at 8:27 p.m.

The executive meeting ended at 8:35 p.m. No official action was taken.

Raffin made the motion to dismiss. Snyder second. All approve.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.